

Information for the core task

1. Learning aims for the task

1.1 Historical content

- Students can recall some information of who Roger Casement was.
- Students can recall the most relevant historical context surrounding Roger Casement's life.

1.2 Language skills

- Students are able to assemble the most important information from Casement's short biography.
- Students are able to map Casement's life on a world map and an Irish map.

2. Short description of the task

Students will read the short biography on Roger Casement's life. Furthermore, they will read some additional information on the historical events that are significant to Roger Casement's life. To demonstrate that students have understood the text, they will visually depict Casement's life on a world map.

Teachers should give the class about 30 minutes to work on the task by themselves, but then consolidate answers in class.

3. Time required to complete task

45 minutes.

4. Prerequisites

None.

5. Required material

No additional material required.

6. Main type of student activity/output

Reading comprehension.

7. Key skill(s) involved

Reading.

8. Primary text referenced

Biletz, Frank A. "Casement, Sir Roger (1864-1916)." *Historical Dictionary of Ireland*. Historical Dictionaries of Europe. Lanham: Scarecrow Press, 2014. 69-70.

9. Secondary works cited

See bibliography at the end of the biography.

10. Further reading

A recommendation for a further reading would be "The Butterfly Collector" by Rebecca Solnit. This chapter traces Casement's life from his upbringing to his death. It is an easy read, but still gives slightly more detailed information on Casement's life than the biography by Biletz.

Solnit, Rebecca. *A Book of Migrations: Some Passages in Ireland*. 1997. Rev. paperback ed. London: Verso, 2011. 38-60.