

*The Irishman is denied the right of having a history, as he is denied the right of having a country.*

- Roger Casement, *The Crime Against Ireland*, 87.

**Task 1:** You have been given parts of Irish history. There are three groups with different parts of Irish history.

Part 1: Please reassemble the chronology of your events within your group.

What do these events have in common? What do you think is their importance for an Irish national identity?

Part 2: Now change groups so that there are groups of three with one person of each previous group. Combine your events to reconstruct (some of) Irish history.

To what extent has the addition of other events changed your answers to Part 1?

How do the events connect to the introductory handout?

Part 3: Please add the events pertaining to Roger Casement into your Irish history.

How does his personal history pertain to the more general Irish history? What connections can you make out?

1170	Anglo-Normans invade. Repression.
1487	Tudor invasion of Ireland. More repression.
1687	James the Second attempts to restore native Irish rights.
1690	July 12 <sup>th</sup> , the Battle of the River Boyne: James the Second (backed by the Irish) fights against William of Orange (the English King). James loses and is from then on referred to as <i>Séumas an Chaca</i> (James the Shite) in Ireland.
1690	Treaty of Limerick: Ireland is guaranteed equality of rights. However, only for Protestant Irishmen. The Catholic-Irish identity goes underground.
1801	Act of Union: The bribed Dublin Parliament agrees to its own dissolution. Ireland is now officially part of the United Kingdom.
1817	Famine.
1846	Potato famine.
1892	The second Home Rule Bill is proposed. It passes the House of Commons at Westminster but is then defeated in the House of Lords.
1910	Attempts of a third Home Rule Bill.

1920	The British government divides Ireland in the Government of Ireland Act into two separate jurisdictions: Northern and Southern Ireland. However, both are still subordinate to Westminster, within the Empire and under the King.
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