

Key Takeaways

1 All candidates were considered **worthy of consideration** by participants in the groups. They also acknowledged that the **task ahead for the Bank was likely to be a difficult one**.

2 Most thought the current process represented an opportunity to ensure the eventual portrait subject for the next \$5 bank note **reflects and underscores our shared values**, as well as our **social and cultural make-up**.

3 There is recognition that **'accomplishments' or 'merit' should be considered first and foremost** when selecting the portrait subject for the \$5 bank note. However, **diversity and gender** need to be considered.

4 There is appeal in the next candidate being of **Indigenous heritage**. For many participants, this is an **opportunity to further Reconciliation efforts** and highlight the importance of our Indigenous population as part of our social and cultural fabric.
