

Background Information (1)

Canada's culture - influenced by European culture and traditions, especially British and French

A country **composed** mainly of immigrants

Themes Themes and Symbols Themes and Symbols: pioneers Themes and Symbols: pioneers, <u>trappers</u> Themes and Symbols: pioneers, trappers, and <u>traders</u>

Official symbols – maple leaf, beaver, and the Canadian horse

- Jacques Viger (first mayor of Montreal): "the king of our forest; ... the symbol of the Canadian people."
- Louis XIV: sent horses to Canada (late 17th century)

in connection with images of red-coated









Background Information (2)

- Ethnic groups: Anglophone 28%, Francophone 23%, other European 15%, Asian/Arab/African 6%, indigenous Amerindian 2%, mixed background 26%
- Languages: English, French
- "Canada" comes from the Huron and Iroquois word "Kanata" meaning "village"

Quick Facts

- Canada's birthday is on the first of July (1867)
- Canada is the second largest country in the world (9,971,000 square kilometres of land)
 - there are six time zones
- Canada is in the top five <u>producers</u> Canada is in the top five producers of <u>natural</u> <u>gas</u>Canada is in the top five producers of natural gas, <u>copper</u>Canada is in the top five producers of natural gas, copper, <u>zinc</u>Canada is in the top five producers of natural gas, copper, zinc, <u>nickel</u>Canada is in the top five producers of natural gas, copper, zinc, nickel, <u>aluminum</u>, and gold
- Canada has the fourth lowest population

Territories and Provinces

- Provinces (10) Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, and Saskatchewan
- <u>Territories</u> (3) Northwest Territories,
 Nunavut, and Yukon
- A province receives relatively greater power and authority directly from the Crown, whereas territories <u>derive</u> A province receives relatively greater power and authority directly from the Crown, whereas territories derive their <u>mandates</u>A



10 Provinces





Alberta

- Alberta was named after Princess Louise Caroline Alberta of Britain
- Capital city Edmonton
- Alberta's motto "strong and free"
- It is known as Canada's "energy province"
- Immigrants Britain, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, the East and Southeast Asia
- It is the main producer of <u>coal</u>, oil and natural gas in Canada

British Columbia

- Capital city Victoria on Vancouver Island
- Motto "Splendour Motto "Splendour without diminishment"
- Immigrants from Britain, Western Europe, East and Southeast Asia, Bangladesh, and Pakistan
- B.C. has the largest Chinese community in Canada
- Largest <u>industry</u> Largest industry <u>Forestry</u>
- B.C. has the largest fishing industry in Canada

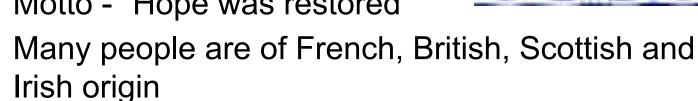
Manitoba



- It is located in the center of Canada
- "Manitoba" a Cree name meaning "the place where the spirit (manitou) speaks"
- Capital city Winnipeg
- Motto-"Glorious and Free"
- Manitoba is home to many native peoples
- Immigrants Britain, Europe, Europe, East and Southeast Asia
- Manitoba the land of 100,000 lakes
- Important industry <u>Hydro-electric power</u>

New Brunswick

- Capital city Fredericton
- It is the third-smallest province
- Motto "Hope was restored"



- N.B. the main producer of <u>lead</u>N.B. the main producer of lead, zinc, copper, and bismuth
- Main industry is forestry
 - Paper, newspaper, magazines, tissue, wooden doors and windows
- Main <u>crop</u> potatoes



Newfoundland and Labrador

- Capital city St. John's
- Motto "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God"
- People live in small fishing villages near the coast
- Immigrants Britain, Western Europe, East and Southeast Asian
- Nfld. is the main producer of <u>iron ore</u>
- Main exports oil, fish products, newsprint, iron ore and electricity



Novo Scotia

- Capital city Halifax
 - Halifax is an international seaport and transportation center
- "Nova Scotia" means "New Scotland" in Latin
 - Motto: "One defends and the other conquers"
- Immigrants Britain, Western Europe, and Southern Europe
- N.S. Canada's oldest African-Canadian community
- Major industries Coal mining and fishing/fish processing (now less)

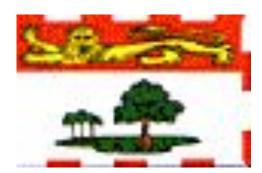
Ontario **S**



- Capital city Toronto
 - Toronto has a large financial district and the stock exchange
- Ottawa the capital of Canada is in southern Ontario
- The Iroquoians Ontario = "Kanadario" = "sparkling water"
- Motto "Loyal she began, loyal she remains"
- Immigrants Italian, German, Chinese, Portuguese, Indian, Polish and Caribbean origin
- Niagara Falls
- Main producer nickel, cobalt, salt, and magnesium
- Leading producer of fruit and vegetables

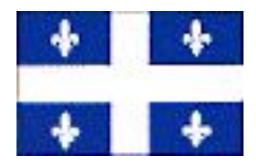
Prince Edward Island

- It is the smallest province
- Capital city Charlottetown
 - The "birthplace of Canada" where leaders met in 1864 to discuss the formation of the country
- Named "Prince Edward" in honor of the father of Queen Victoria in 1799
- Motto: "the small under the protection of the great"
- About 75 percent are of Scottish and Irish origin
- Red soil made of red sandstone
- Largest industry <u>agriculture</u>
- Second largest industry tourism
- Third largest industry fishing



Quebec

- The largest province
- Capital city Quebec City
- Quebec a French-speaking province
- Algonquin Quebec = "Kebe" = "the place where the river narrows"
- Motto "Je me souviens" = "I remember"
- Montreal 67% mother tongue is French
- Immigrants France, Britain, Southern Europe, and East and Southeast Asia
- Largest industry <u>dairy</u>
- Main producer of maple syrup



Saskatchewan

- Capital city Regina
- Motto: "From many peoples strength"
- Immigrants Germany, Ukraine,
 Scandinavia, Poland, Russia, Britain,
 France
- Wheat crop over 54 percent
- Leading <u>exporter</u>Leading exporter of <u>potash</u> (<u>fertilizer</u>)

3 Territories



Northwest Territories

- Second-largest
- Population Almost half are aboriginal (Dene, Inuvialuit and Metis)
- Capital city Yellowknife
- Hunts and Traps beaver, lynx, fox, marten, muskrat, polar bear
- Tourism people come to see the wildlife and natural beauty





Nunavut

- The largest territory and has one-fifth of the land in Canada
- Capital city Iqaluit
 - Canada's most northern capital
- Motto Nunavut, our strength
 - Nunavut means our land
- Population 85% are the Inuit, the aborigines
- The land and water are frozen most of the year
- Tourism: People come to fish, hike, camp, hunt, to see the wildlife

Yukon



- The smallest territory
- Capital city Whitehorse
- Yukon = Great River
- Mount Logan the highest mountain in Canada (6000 m.)
- Tourism People visit the Yukon to hike, raft, camp, rock climb, fish, see wildlife, and hunt
- The largest industry mining (gold, lead, zinc and silver)

Inventions and Discoveries

- Cirque du Soleil (Clip 1)
 - Montréal: first home for circus arts education in Canada more than 25 years ago
 - National Circus School at TOHU (La Cité des Arts du Cirque)
- Superman created by Canadian Joe Shuster
- Chocolate bars in 1910, Arthur Ganong and George Ensor, factory superintendents, wanted to take chocolate along with them on fishing trips so they created nut-bars
- Insulin In 1923, Frederick Banting, a Canadian medical student was awarded the Nobel Prize for discovering a successful method of extracting the hormone from the organ
- Basketball invented by James Naismith in 1891, in the city of Montréal, Quebec