

<p style="text-align: center;">1.</p> <p>Canada's indigenous peoples (original inhabitants) are usually called First Nations or Aboriginals. Are there native groups where you live? Who are they?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2.</p> <p>Many of the first people of Canada were removed from their lands by Europeans and placed on lands called "reserves." While native people live all over Canada, many still live on these reserves. They are not always treated fairly, so they are working to be able to govern themselves.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">3.</p> <p>Each indigenous nation had its own myths, heroes, and spiritual practices, but they all shared a reverence for nature and a sense of the spiritual presence in all living things.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4.</p> <p>Canada is the second largest country in the world but has about the same population as the state of California, which is 1/25th its size. How does the population of your state or region compare to other states or provinces in your country?</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">5.</p> <p>Canada is made up of ten provinces and three territories. How many can you name? (Check on a map of Canada.)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6.</p> <p>The name <i>Canada</i> comes from a word meaning "village" or "community" in one of the indigenous Iroquoian languages. Do you know how your town or city got its name?</p>

<p>7.</p> <p>Most Canadians live in cities, and most of the cities are close to the southern border, where the harsh winters are warmer. Would you like to live in a city or in the country when you grow up?</p>	<p>8.</p> <p>Many Canadian cities have Heritage Festivals that celebrate the cultures of its peoples (such as French, English, First Nations, Irish, Caribbean, Ukranian, Chinese, Japanese, and many more). Where did your ancestors come from?</p>
<p>9.</p> <p>Canada is one of the few countries in the world that still has a significant immigration program. Since the 1970s most immigrants have come from Asia, increasing the diversity of the population. Do people from other countries move to your area? Where do they come from?</p>	<p>10.</p> <p>Canada has two official languages: French and English. This is because early settlers in Eastern Canada were both French and English. Can you speak more than one language?</p>
<p>11.</p> <p>All children learn to speak English, but some also learn another language. If their parents are French, they may learn French. Most children learn at least some French in school; some take all their classes at school in French. What language (other than your own) would you like to learn?</p>	<p>12.</p> <p>In Canada, people are proud of their cultural heritage, so Canadians refer to their society being a “mosaic,” that is, one that is made up of people with different cultures and religions and languages.</p>

<p>13.</p> <p>Canadians have many things in common, as well, such as wanting to live in a peaceful country where everyone can have health care and education.</p>	<p>14.</p> <p>Canada was an important destination of the “underground railroad,” the network of secret routes that slaves took to escape slavery in the southern United States.</p>
<p>15.</p> <p>Many Canadian children play in community sports programs, especially soccer, figure skating, hockey, baseball and football. Do you play a sport?</p>	<p>16.</p> <p>Canadian children also enjoy learning the arts, such as music, dance, drama or painting. Do you play a musical instrument or do another form of art?</p>
<p>17.</p> <p>Most Canadian children do some homework and play games on the computer, including e-mailing their friends. Do you use a computer?</p>	<p>18.</p> <p>Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving on the second weekend in October, with a celebration of the harvest.</p>

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Most Canadians celebrate Christmas with a Christmas tree and exchange of presents. Jewish Canadians celebrate Hanukah, the festival of lights and Hindu Canadians celebrate Diwali, also a festival of lights.

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Canada Day, July 1, celebrates the formation of the country of Canada in 1867.

