Celebrate CANADA

Build up the Canadian content in your classroom with books that highlight Canada from coast to coast to coast.
Explore the geography, people and perspectives that make Canada what it is.

Travel to some exciting places and events.

Get to know our peoples and communities.

Learn some interesting facts about Canada.

Discover the beauty and majesty of our land.

Polar Bears, Grade 1

Winter Wonderland, Grade 2

Bush Pilots, Grade 2

Where Are They, Grade 1

Lighthouses, Grade 2

Massive! Niagara Falls, Grade 3

On the Money, Grade 3

Prairie Seasons, Grade 1
Support literacy learning, inquiry, and the development of competencies.

The Big Ideas
- Communities build structures to reflect their people and environment.
- Many communities have their own symbols and landmarks.
- Stories of the past connect people and communities to the present.
- Stories help us to learn about historic sites and monuments.

Thinking About My Reading
- Have you ever seen any roadside structures? If so, where?
- On pages 2 and 3, how did the legend help you read the map?
- On page 8, why do you think there is a moose in Cow Bay and a lobster in Shediac?
- Which roadside structure did you most enjoy reading about?

Wondering
- What other interesting roadside structures are there in Canada?
- How could you find out?
- What would you tell a visitor about any special structure in your community?
- What special landmark would you design for your community?

The Teacher’s Guide provides background information and mini-lessons in three key areas: reading comprehension, 21st century competencies, and inquiry.
Introduce the histories, cultures, worldviews, and knowledge of Canada’s Indigenous peoples.

Here are some examples of the many references to Indigenous perspectives:

First Nations people who lived on the Pacific Ocean hunted whales and other sea creatures using dugout canoes. They travelled far out into the waters, searching for seals that were caught and brailed into their nets. These canoes were often so long that they could carry many hunters and hundreds of kilograms of gear. The few Nations people in this area also used their canoes in times of war.

Canoes

Dugout canoes were used from Northern British Columbia to Vancouver Island. Some First Nations people used dugout canoes:
- Banya (Heidi)
- Kigcun
- Gisun
- Hgini
- Hgini
- Kigcun
- Kigcun
- Heidic
- Coast Salish

Rapid fact
A dugout canoe could be longer than a modern school bus and carry up to seventy people.

The Night Sky

The Northern Lights
“Look up!” say the Elders. “The Northern Lights are our ancestors. They are spirits in the sky. They can see you when the night sky is clear and the city lights are dim.

Brilliant fact
Our Elders warned us not to watch the Northern Lights because the spirits may come down and take us away. If we clap our hands, head, the spirits may stay away.

That’s Me!

I come by my grandpa’s love of the land.

Grandpa told me that the Secwepemc have lived in our area for thousands of years. He said that we know all about the land. We know where to hunt and fish, and where to get our medicines.

“Most importantly,” he said, “We know to take care of the land and all living things on it.”

Grandpa

Where Am I?

Pugwash is a village in Nova Scotia. The name comes from polisweck. It means “shallow waters.”

By the oceans
OVERVIEW – GRADE 1 TITLES

**Canada Day from Coast to Coast**
Learn about bats and bikes invented by Canadians and used around the world.
*GR: I | DRA: 16 | PM: 25*

**Dinosaur Country**
Follow this travel guide to Dinosaur Provincial Park and the Royal Tyrell Museum in Alberta.
*GR: K | DRA: 20 | PM: 19–20*

**It’s Puzzling!**
Which Canadian animal is shown in this puzzle? What can we learn from its features?
*GR: F | DRA: 10 | PM: 9–10*

**Lighthouses**
Nova Scotia has more lighthouses than any other province. Learn why they were built and what are some of their features.
*GR: G | DRA: 12 | PM: 11–12*

**Polar Bears**
*GR: G | DRA: 12 | PM: 11–12*

**Prairie Seasons**
Explore the links between weather and farming on the Prairies – the breadbasket of Canada.
*GR: I | DRA: 16 | PM: 15–16*

**Sleds and Toboggans**
Toboggans were first made by the Inuit and First Nations peoples of Canada. Many of today’s winter sports have grown out of this original invention.
*GR: J | DRA: 18 | PM: 17–18*

**When the Tide is Out**
Learn about some of the foods that the First Nations of the BC coast have traditionally taken from the Ocean.
*GR: J | DRA: 18 | PM: 17–18*

**Where Am I?**
Many of the place names in our country come from First Nations names that described why those places were special.
*GR: J | DRA: 18 | PM: 17–18*

**Woof! Our Canadian Dogs**
A look at three dogs that developed in Canada and are suited to the environment in particular ways.
*GR: H | DRA: 14 | PM: 13–14*

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**Brilliant Beadwork**
A look at Métis beadwork, both traditionally and today.
GR: N | DRA: 30 | PM: 25

**Bush Pilots**
A memoir of years spent working as one of Canada’s famed bush pilots.
GR: L | DRA: 24 | PM: 21

**Face-off!**
Some of the sports developed in Canada including lacrosse, ice-hockey, five-pin bowling, and basketball.
GR: M | DRA: 28 | PM: 22

**Great Bear Rainforest**
A visit to the world’s largest intact temperate rainforest — wonderful place for viewing wildlife, including the rare Kermode (Spirit) bear.
GR: K | DRA: 20 | PM: 19-20

**It’s Big**
A tour of oversized road-side attractions around the country.
GR: J | DRA: 18 | PM: 17-18

**It’s a Record!**
Canadian animals and their habitats: biggest, smallest, fastest, longest migration
GR: N | DRA: 30 | PM: 25

**St. John’s—Our community by the ocean**
Follow this travel guide to the city of St. John’s in Newfoundland and find out what makes it such a unique place.
GR: O | DRA: 34 | PM: 24

**Welcome to Ha Ha Bay**
Ha Ha Bay, Tiny, Blow Me Down, Eyebrow, Seacow Head..... a tour of some of the most interestingly named communities across Canada.
GR: L | DRA: 24 | PM: 21

**Winter Wonderland**
A visit to the Quebec Winter Carnival.
GR: K | DRA: 20 | PM: 19-20

**Yum!**
Some favourite foods from communities across Canada.
GR: K | DRA: 20 | PM: 19-20
OVERVIEW - GRADE 3 TITLES

**Bats and Bikes**
Learn about bats and bikes invented by Canadians and used around the world.
GR: P | DRA: 38 | PM: 25

**The Calgary Stampede**
Take part in an event that preserves and celebrates Western heritage.
GR: Q | DRA: 40 | PM: 26

**Canoes**
A look at a remarkable form of technology developed by First Nations using only materials from nature and still used today for sports and recreation.
GR: Q | DRA: 40 | PM: 26

**Cliffhanger**
Learn about the skills and precautions needed for climbing in Alberta’s Rockies.
GR: Q | DRA: 40 | PM: 26

**Massive! Niagara Falls**
A look at Niagara Falls, renowned for their beauty and as a source of hydroelectric power.
GR: P | DRA: 38 | PM: 25

**The Night Sky**
A look at the constellations in Canada's skies from a First Nations perspective.
GR: O | DRA: 34 | PM: 24

**On the Money**
The who, what and why of the images that appear on Canadian coins and bills.
GR: P | DRA: 38 | PM: 25

**Ottawa**
A walking tour of Canada's capital looking at some of the most famous sites.
GR: N | DRA: 30 | PM: 25

**That's Me!**
Learn how all Indigenous communities in Canada are unique.
GR: O | DRA: 34 | PM: 24

**What Bird Is That?**
Read the descriptions and use the cues to find out more about some of Canada's birds.
GR: O | DRA: 34 | PM: 24
There’s so much more to explore!

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