




Build up the Canadian content in your classroom with books that highlight Canada from coast to coast.



Explore the geography, people and perspectives that make Canada what it is.

Travel to some exciting places and events.

We found out that the bears don't stay in Churchill. In winter, they go north to the sea ice. They go there to hunt for seals and search for seaweed.



sea ice

Polar Bears, Grade 1

The snowman makes everyone feel welcome at the carnival. His name is Bonhomme. Bonhomme loves to dance, play in the snow, and lead parades. He is always ready for some chilly winter fun!



[Bonhomme - say buh-nuhm]


Frosty fact
Bonhomme's sash is like the ones that people wore in Québec long ago.

Winter Wonderland, Grade 2

Learn some interesting facts about Canada.

At Seal Island, the lighthouse has a very big light. Lighthouses flash their lights to guide sailors and fishers safely to shore.

A bright fact
Lights from lighthouses have different flash patterns. That makes it easy for sailors to tell them apart at night.



light

Seal Island Lighthouse

Lighthouses, Grade 2

The Canadian



All spent
Canada once had \$6, \$7, \$25, and even \$1000 bills.

On the Money, Grade 3

Get to know our peoples and communities.

Markoonie
In the Arctic Islands, people were looking for oil. When I was a young man, I went with Markoonie to bring them wood to build cabins. Markoonie saw a Twin Otter. It had two propellers and big balloon tires. We landed on very rough ground with lots of rocks. Markoonie was a bush pilot.



Twin Otter

By the rivers
Vernon is a city in British Columbia. Its name comes from the word kahn-o-loops. It means "the meeting of waters." Two rivers meet at that spot.



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Language Secwepemstsin
[Secwepemc - say she-wahp-m]

Bush Pilots, Grade 2

Where Am I?, Grade 3

Discover the beauty and majesty of our land.

Three falls in one
Not one but three waterfalls make up the Falls—the Canadian Horseshoe Falls, the American Falls, and the Bridal Veil Falls. And there's plenty of water around to feed all three. A huge amount of water flows down the Niagara River to the Falls. At peak flow times, the Niagara River dumps 168 000 litres of water over the Falls a minute. That's enough water to fill about 1.3 million bathtubs. What's more, nearly 970 000 bathtubs worth of water rushes over the Canadian Horseshoe Falls. How's that for a massive gush?



Bridal Veil Falls
American Falls
Canadian Horseshoe Falls

There are many farms on the Prairies. The weather there helps the crops grow.



Plain fact
The weather changes every season. The seasons are spring, summer, fall, and winter. Each season is different.

Prairie Seasons, Grade 1

Support literacy learning, inquiry, and the development of competencies.

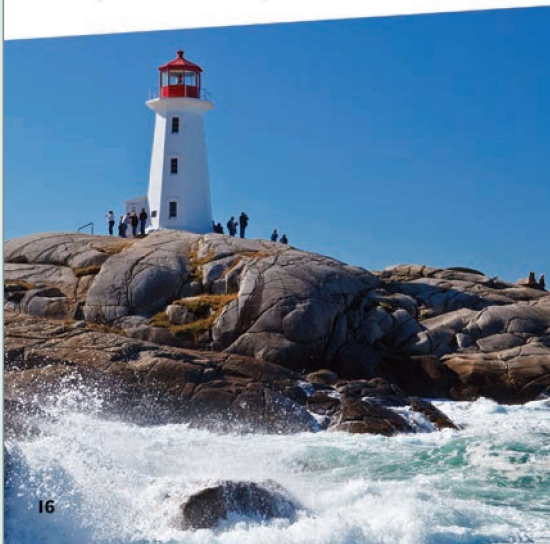
On the last page of the book, students are invited to think critically and link the concepts in the book to their own lives and communities.

The big ideas of the book are identified on the inside front cover.

The inside back cover provides some comprehension questions as well as some questions to spark further inquiry.

How do lighthouses help people in Nova Scotia?

What buildings are important in your community?



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.

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The Teacher's Guide provides background information and mini-lessons in three key areas: reading comprehension, 21st century competencies, and inquiry.

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?

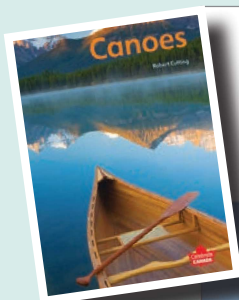
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Introduce the histories, cultures, worldviews, and knowledge of Canada's Indigenous peoples.

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



First Nations peoples who lived on the Pacific Ocean hunted whales and other sea creatures using dugout canoes. They travelled far out into the waters, searching for sea life that was caught and **hauled** into their boats. These canoes were often so long that they could carry many hunters and hundreds of kilograms of goods. The First Nations peoples in this area also used their canoes in times of war.



Dugout canoes were used from Northern British Columbia to Vancouver Island.

Some First Nations peoples who used dugout canoes:

- Xaayda (Haida)
- Nisga'a
- Gitksan
- Haisla
- Heiltsuk
- Kwakwaka'wakw
- Nuxalk
- Coast Salish

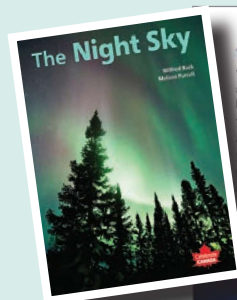
This modern canoe is based on traditional Xaayda design.



Rapid fact

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

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The Northern Lights

"Look up!" say the Elders. "The Northern Lights are our **ancestors**. They are spirits in the sky, looking down on us."

You can see many stories when the night sky is clear and the city lights are dim.

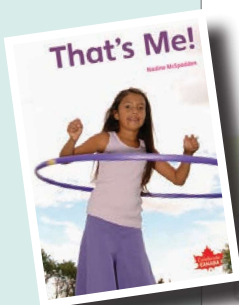
Late at night, the Northern Lights dance and swirl, glowing and fading, in and out. The further north you are, the more vivid and varied their colours become.

Brilliant fact

Our Elders remind us not to whistle at the Northern Lights because the spirits may come down and take us away. If we clap our hands hard, the spirits may stay away.

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I know my grandpa would want me to write about how much the land means to us. He says that knowing about our traditional land is important because we are connected to the land. We are part of it.



Grandpa



The berries of a devil's club plant. The inner bark of its root is used as medicine.

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Grandpa told me that the Secwepemc have lived in our area for thousands of years.

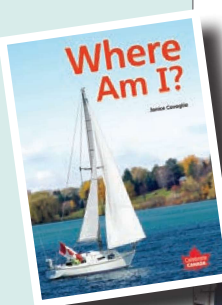
He said that we know all about the land. We know where to hunt and fish, and where to get our medicines. "Most importantly," he said, "We know to take care of the land and all living things on it."



salmon run in Kamloops



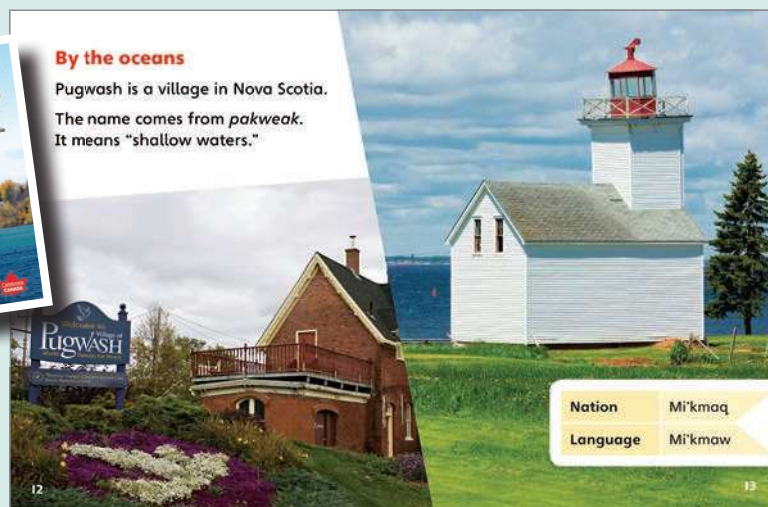
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By the oceans

Pugwash is a village in Nova Scotia.

The name comes from **pakweak**. It means "shallow waters."

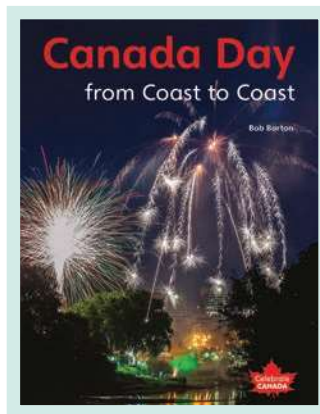


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| Language | Mi'kmaq |

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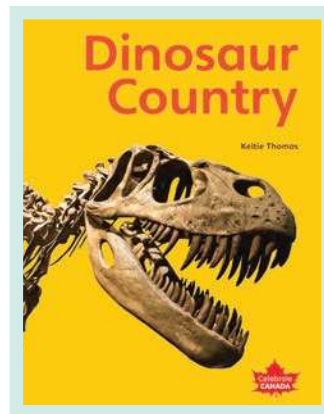
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OVERVIEW – GRADE 1 TITLES



Learn about bats and bikes invented by Canadians and used around the world.

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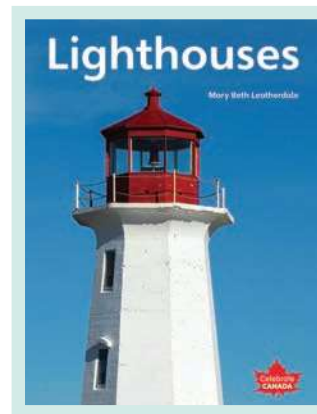
Follow this travel guide to Dinosaur Provincial Park and the Royal Tyrell Museum in Alberta.

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Which Canadian animal is shown in this puzzle? What can we learn from its features?

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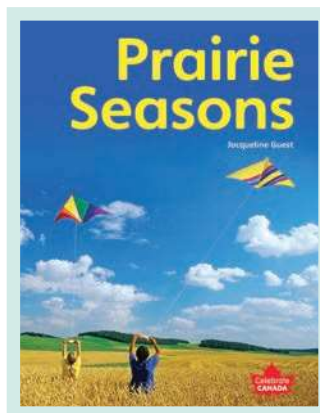
Nova Scotia has more lighthouses than any other province. Learn why they were built and what are some of their features.

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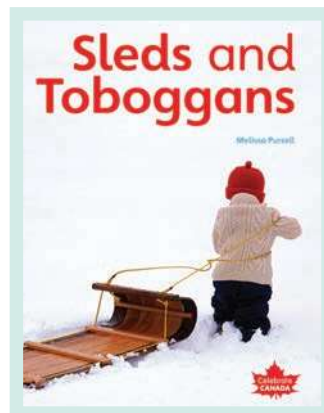
Experience the Polar Bear Capital of the World – Churchill, Manitoba.

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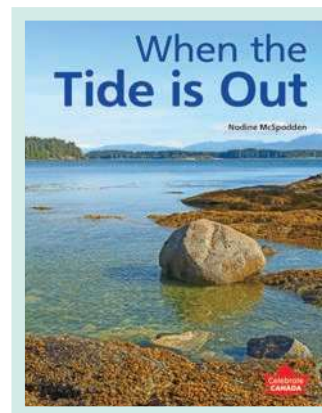
Explore the links between weather and farming on the Prairies – the breadbasket of Canada.

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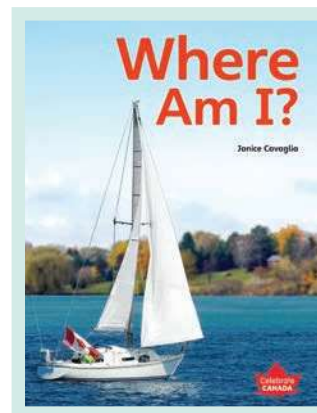
Toboggans were first made by the Inuit and First Nations peoples of Canada. Many of today's winter sports have grown out of this original invention.

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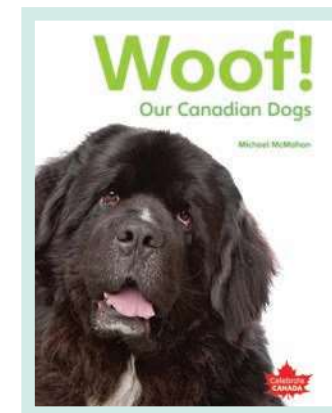
Learn about some of the foods that the First Nations of the BC coast have traditionally taken from the Ocean

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Many of the place names in our country come from First Nations names that described why those places were special.

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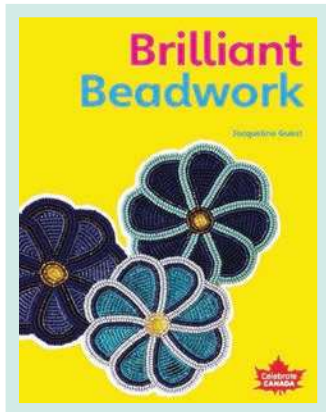


A look at three dogs that developed in Canada and are suited to the environment in particular ways.

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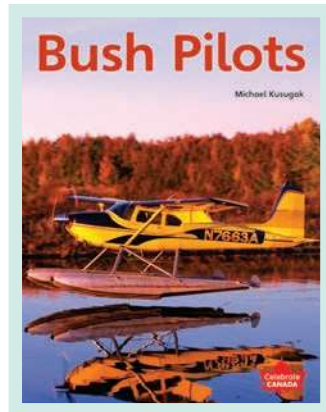


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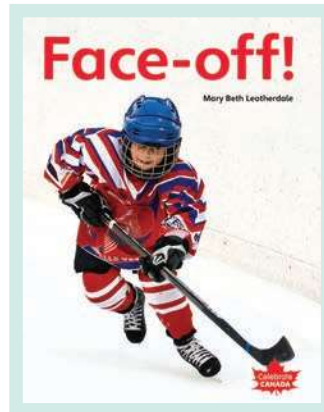
A look at Métis beadwork, both traditionally and today.

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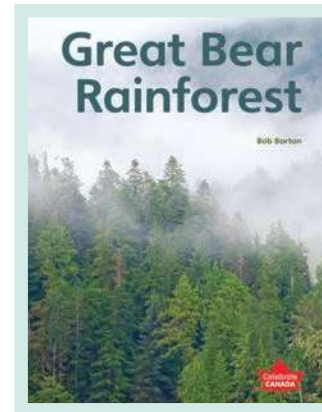
A memoir of years spent working as one of Canada's famed bush pilots.

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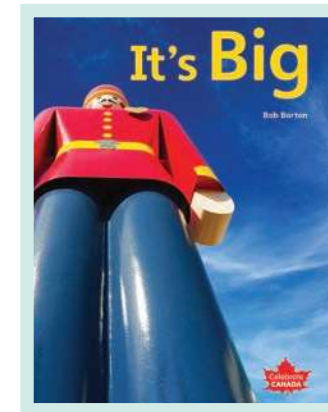
Some of the sports developed in Canada including lacrosse, ice-hockey, five-pin bowling, and basketball.

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A visit to the world's largest intact temperate rainforest — wonderful place for viewing wildlife, including the rare Kermode (Spirit) bear.

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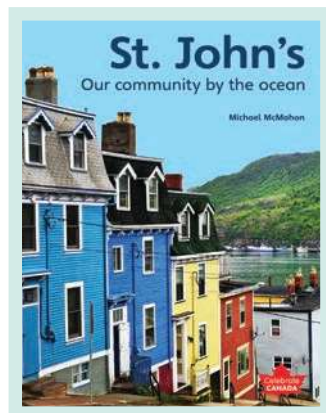
A tour of oversized road-side attractions around the country.

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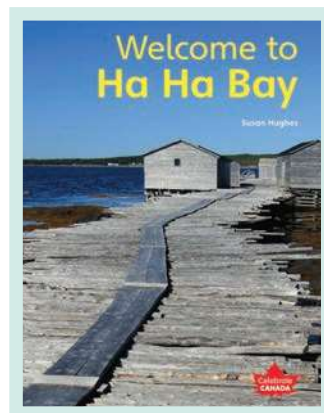
Canadian animals and their habitats: biggest, smallest, fastest, longest migration

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Follow this travel guide to the city of St. John's in Newfoundland and find out what makes it such a unique place.

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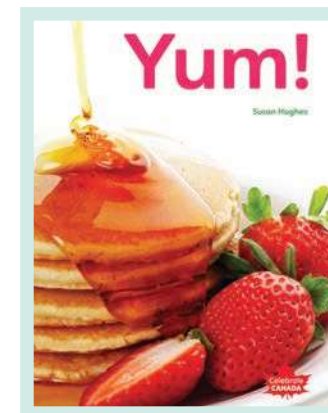
Ha Ha Bay, Tiny, Blow Me Down, Eyebrow, Seacow Head.....a tour of some of the most interestingly named communities across Canada.

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A visit to the Quebec Winter Carnival.

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Some favourite foods from communities across Canada.

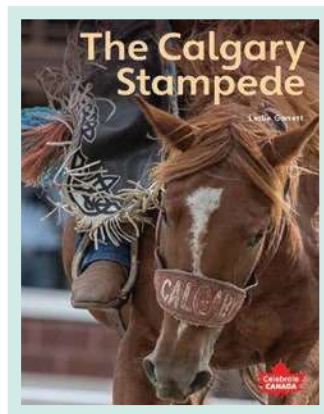
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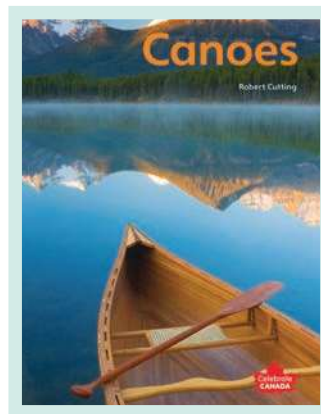
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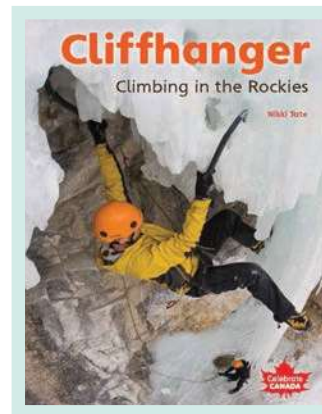
Take part in an event that preserves and celebrates Western heritage.

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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.

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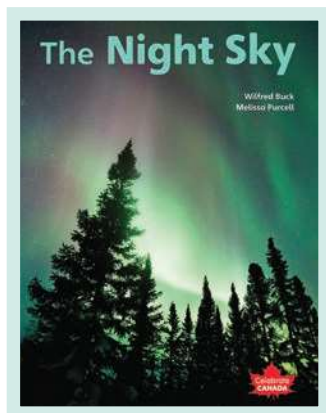
Learn about the skills and precautions needed for climbing in Alberta's Rockies.

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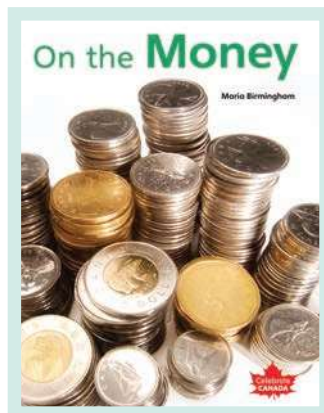
A look at Niagara Falls, renowned for their beauty and as a source of hydroelectric power.

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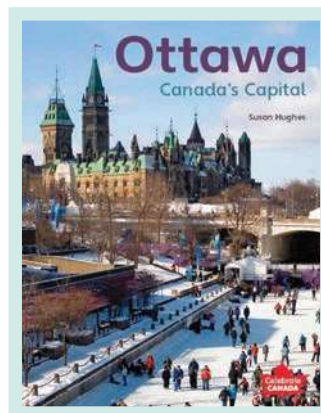
A look at the constellations in Canada's skies from a First Nations perspective.

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The who, what and why of the images that appear on Canadian coins and bills.

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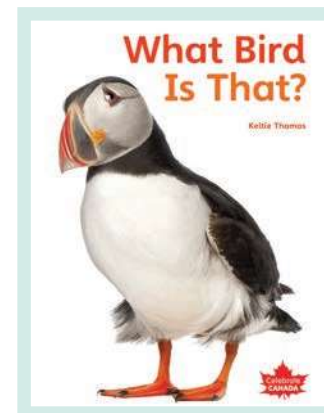
A walking tour of Canada's capital, looking at some of the most famous sites.

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Learn how all Indigenous communities in Canada are unique.

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Read the descriptions and use the clues to find out more about some of Canada's birds.

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