OUR CANADA · LESSON 3

What Makes Canada, Canada?

Built. Physical. Social.
Draft the symbols that make us.







TURN AND TALK · 1 MINUTE

Is this Canada? What kind of feature?



A



B



C

THREE KINDS OF FEATURES

What makes Canada, Canada?



Built

Made by people

Towers, roads, bridges, carts, an inuksuk



Physical

From nature

Land, water, plants, animals



Social

How we live together

Sports, languages, laws, celebrations

12 MINUTES

Read

1 Read your version of the article.

2 Find one **built**, one **physical** and one **social** feature.

3 Write them in your notebook.

Quick check

1. One built, one physical, one social feature
2. Why *identities*, with an S?
3. Which feature is part of **your** Canada?

THE GAME

Identity Draft

3 picks per team: one **Built**, one **Physical**, one **Social**.

20 seconds on the clock.

Every pick needs **one fact**. No fact? The card stays on the board.

Snake order

Round 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 →
Round 2	← 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
Round 3	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 →

DEFEND EVERY PICK

Your sticky note

We draft ___

because it shows Canada is ___.

Fact: ___

SAMPLE

Lacrosse

It shows Canada is **older than Canada**.

Fact: the Haudenosaunee call it the Medicine Game, a gift from the Creator.

Draft board: Built made by people



1 CN Tower

A communications tower in Toronto.



2 Trans-Canada Highway

One road that crosses the whole country.



3 Peace Tower

The tower of Parliament, where laws are made.



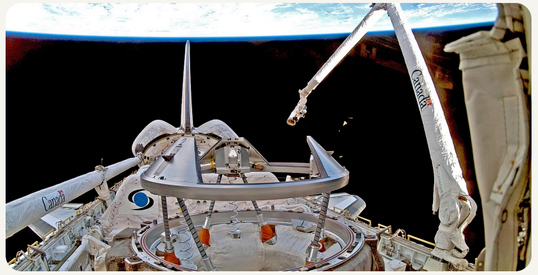
4 Confederation Bridge

The bridge from P.E.I. to New Brunswick.



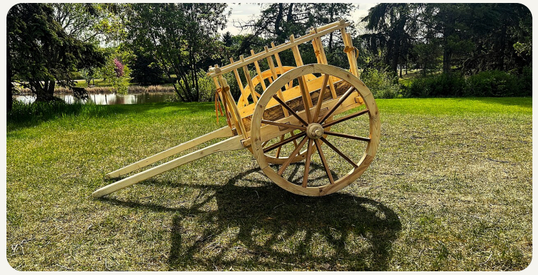
5 Inuksuk

A stone figure built by Inuit.



6 Canadarm

A robot arm built in Canada for space.



7 Red River Cart

A two-wheeled Métis cart.



8 Snowmobile

A machine for travelling over snow.

Draft board: Physical

land, water, plants, animals



9 Canadian Shield

Ancient rock under lakes and forests.



10 Great Lakes

Five giant lakes. Four of them touch Ontario.



11 Rocky Mountains

Mountains in Alberta and B.C.



12 Niagara Falls

Giant waterfalls on the Niagara River.



13 Longest Coastline

Canada touches three oceans.



14 Boreal Forest

The huge northern forest.



15 Maple Tree

The tree on our flag.



16 Beaver

Canada’s official animal symbol.

Draft board: Social

how people live together



17 Hockey

Canada’s national winter sport.



18 Lacrosse

Canada’s national summer sport.



19 Two Official Languages

English and French.



20 Multiculturalism

Many cultures, one country.


CANADIAN CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

21 Charter of Rights

The rights every person in Canada has.



22 Maple Leaf Flag

Red and white with one maple leaf.



23 Powwow

A celebration of Indigenous music and dance.



24 Public Health Care

Doctors and hospitals for everyone.

AFTER THE DRAFT · 7 MINUTES

Pattern check

1. Which **kind** did most teams pick first? Why?
2. Which **3 cards** did nobody draft? Who would pick them first?
3. Whose Canada is **missing** from our board?

That is why we say Canadian identities.

Notebook · Page 3

Title: My Canada in 3

1. My Canada in 3: one **built**, one **physical**, one **social**.
2. Pick one. Why does it matter to someone who **isn’t you**?
3. One symbol **missing** from our board. Who would choose it?

DONE?

- **1** Level Up: rank our class’s top 5 picks
- **2** Help a teammate finish
- **3** Book work: a symbol for our book cover

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SPLIT-GRADE CLASSES ONLY

Swap cards

5/6 class

Longhouse replaces Confederation Bridge

Three Sisters replaces Niagara Falls

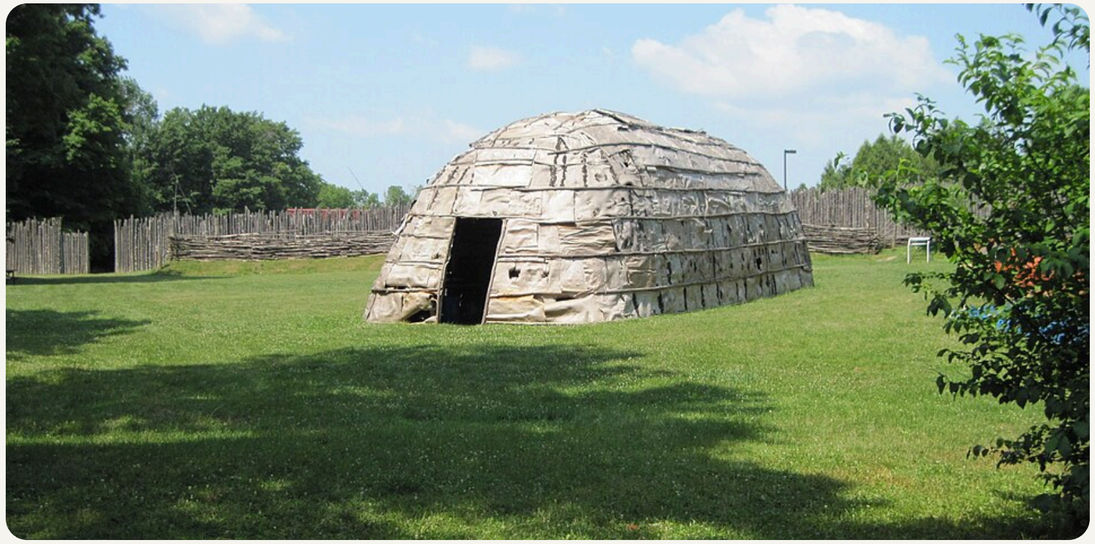
6/7 class

Rideau Canal replaces Canadarm

St. Lawrence River replaces Longest Coastline

A student from that grade gives the defence for a swap card.

5/6 SWAP CARDS



BUILT · GRADE 5 LEAD

Longhouse

“Haudenosaunee” means People of the Longhouse. Some were 60 m (200 ft) long.

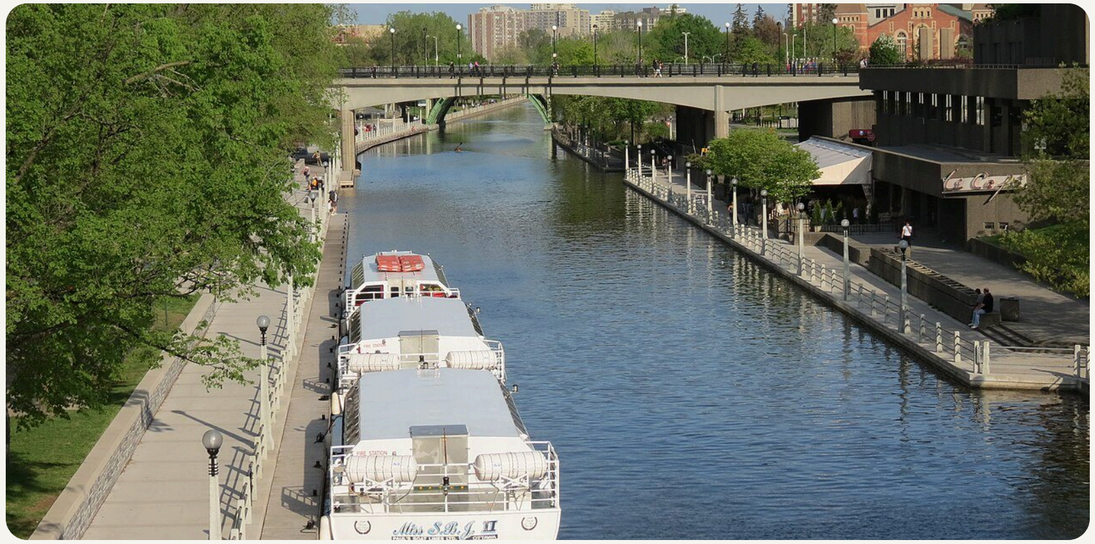


PHYSICAL · GRADE 5 LEAD

Three Sisters

Beans climb the corn and feed the soil. Squash leaves shade the ground.

6/7 SWAP CARDS



BUILT · GRADE 7 LEAD

Rideau Canal

Built 1826–1832, mostly by Irish labourers. Many died of malaria.



PHYSICAL · GRADE 7 LEAD

St. Lawrence River

About 1,197 km long. It was the main route of New France.

SPLIT-GRADE NOTEBOOK

Same page, your grade's question

Grade 5

Pick one feature from before 1713. Who made it? Does it still matter today?

Grade 6

My Canada in 3: one built, one physical, one social. Why?

Grade 7

Pick one physical feature. How did it shape where people lived or travelled before 1850?

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