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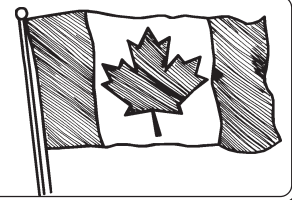
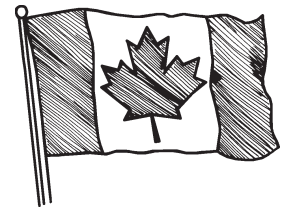


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Canada's Provinces, Territories and Capital Cities

Canada is the second largest country in the world in size. Although Canada does not have one of the highest populations, it does have a lot of space! Canada is divided into ten provinces and three territories. The largest province is Québec and the province with the highest population is Ontario. The largest territory is also the newest, Nunavut.



The province that is the farthest east is Newfoundland and Labrador, and the province that is farthest west is British Columbia. Each province has its own flag, flower and motto. Ontario's motto is "Yours to Discover". The capital of Canada is the city of Ottawa, which is located in Ontario.

The chart below shows all of the provinces and territories and their capital cities.

Province	Capital City
Alberta	Edmonton
British Columbia (B.C.)	Victoria
Manitoba	Winnipeg
New Brunswick	Fredericton
Newfoundland and Labrador	St. John's
Nova Scotia	Halifax
Ontario	Toronto
Prince Edward Island (P.E.I.)	Charlottetown
Québec	Québec City
Saskatchewan	Regina
Territory	Capital City
Northwest Territories	Yellowknife
Nunavut	Iqaluit
Yukon	Whitehorse



Name: _____

Provinces, Territories, and Capital Cities

1. Match the province with its capital city.

New Brunswick

Edmonton

Alberta

Iqaluit

Ontario

Fredericton

Nunavut

Charlottetown

Prince Edward Island

Toronto

2. Which province's capital city has almost the same name as the province?

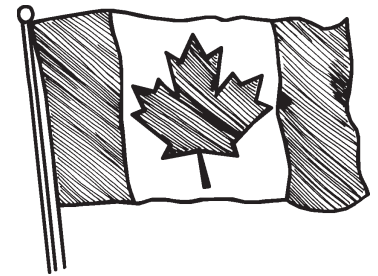
3. What is the capital of Canada?

4. What province is the farthest west in Canada?

5. List three other facts you learned about Canada.

Where Are You From?

Bradley took one last look around his empty room. He wandered through the rest of his house, picked up one of the many boxes and headed out to the moving van. Bradley's mom had received a promotion at work, but that had meant that the whole family would have to move from their home in Newfoundland to Toronto, Ontario. Life in Newfoundland was so great and Bradley didn't want to leave because he was worried about how different it would be in Toronto. People in Newfoundland were so friendly, and Bradley was worried that moving to a big city would mean that the people wouldn't be nice. Bradley's mom and dad had assured him that friendly people could be found everywhere if you looked for them.



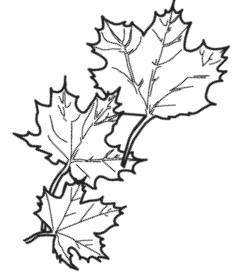
A few days later, Bradley, his brother, Patrick, and their parents had begun to settle into their new house. Bradley would be going to his new school next week.

Monday morning came and Bradley got ready to meet all the new people. He felt weird because back in Newfoundland he had never had to make new friends. He had gone to school with the same children since kindergarten. With butterflies in his stomach, he made his way out the door.

He arrived at school and noticed that everyone seemed to be with a group of people, and that each group glanced curiously at him as he walked across the schoolyard. The bell rang and Bradley made his way inside. The teacher asked Bradley to stand up and introduce himself and to tell the class about himself. He started to say a few things about his family and their move when he noticed many of the students snickering quietly. He quickly finished and sat down. At recess, Bradley walked around alone until a couple of children came and talked to him. He began talking to them and they laughed again. Bradley got angry and asked what was going on. The kids pointed out that he had an accent. He thought this was funny because he had thought *they* had spoken funny; he told them that they were the ones who spoke differently. They talked about other things that seemed different to Bradley now that he was in Ontario and not Newfoundland. He was glad to talk about his old home and was even more excited to learn about his new home, Toronto!



Name: _____



Where Are You From?

1. Where was Bradley from?

2. Why was Bradley afraid of moving?

3. Why were the students laughing? Have you ever been laughed at?
How did you feel?

4. What is an "accent"?

5. Have you ever spoken to someone with an accent? Do you think you sound like you have an accent?
