What's in a Name?

Here are some examples of place names in Canada that have their origins in the fur-trade era. How many of them were you able to find?

Using your atlas, see how many of these places you can locate on today's map of Canada.

What conclusions can you draw about:

- 1) how the land influenced the of choice of locations
- 2) the historical importance of place names.

York Factory Fort Norman Hay River Fort Simpson Fort Smith Fort Resolution Island House (Island Lake) Jasper House (Jasper) Oxford House Fort Smith Grande Prairie Fort Vermilion Fort Garry (Winnipeg) Cape Dorset Fort Liard Selkirk Fort Smith Norway House **Rocky Mountain House**

Fort McLeod Churchill (Fort Churchill) Île-à-la-crosse **Berens** River Fort Dauphin (Dauphin) Pas Mountain (The Pas) Cumberland House Nelson House Lac la Ronge (La Ronge) Battleford Prince Albert Portage la Prairie Split Lake House Swan River Pukatawagan Fort Qu'Appelle Fort Vermilion Fort Simpson Fort Resolution





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