

# Essential Lessons in Canadian History

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 <b>Topic</b>	<i>Write one sentence that summarizes your most important learning on this topic (something you will not forget).</i>	<i>Explain why this learning was important to you.</i> 
<b>First Peoples of North America before European contact</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Origins, oral tradition</li> <li>- Relationship to the land</li> <li>- Cultures, ways of life</li> <li>- Government</li> </ul>		
<b>European contact and colonization</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explorers and the Northwest Passage</li> <li>- Life in Nouvelle-France and Acadie</li> <li>- French-British rivalry and war</li> </ul>		
<b>Fur Trade</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Europeans moving west and north</li> <li>- Land and resources in the northwest</li> <li>- Life during the fur trade</li> <li>- Rise of the Métis Nation</li> </ul>		
<b>Canada as a British Colony</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arrival of the Loyalists</li> <li>- Sharing the land with diverse groups</li> <li>- Demands for changes in government</li> <li>- Confederation</li> </ul>		
<p><i>In your journal, write about the most important thing history has taught you about being a citizen in Canada, then and now.</i></p> 		