

ASSIGNMENT - CLASSIFYING CANADIAN FACTS

DIRECTIONS: The facts listed below can be classified under the main headings (A-E) as shown on the chart. Identify a category for each fact by indicating the appropriate heading by letter or creating a lengthier chart.

Optional: Draw a visual symbol for each fact.

HISTORY (A)	PHYSICAL GEOG. (B)	HUMAN/ENVIRONMENT (C)	ECONOMY/TRADE (D)	GOVERNMENT (E)
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1. Canada borders three oceans: Atlantic, Pacific, and the Arctic.
2. After more than 150 years of struggle between the French and English, the English won the French and Indian War (1763) and gained control of Canada.
3. Canada's population is approximately 34 million people, similar to California.
4. Permafrost is perennially frozen subsoil.
5. The first Europeans to visit Canada were the Vikings in 1000 A.D.
6. Canada is the second largest country in the world after Russia.
7. For nine months of the year, most of the Arctic Ocean is frozen over.
8. From east to west, Canada is more than 3,200 miles wide.
9. 80% of the people in Quebec speak French as their first language.
10. Canada has one of the longest coastlines, if you include all the islands, in the world.
11. In 1867 Canada became a Dominion.
12. About 75% of Canadians live in cities.
13. The Pacific Province is divided from the rest of Canada by the Rocky Mountains.
14. The Canadian Shield is an ancient layer of rock, which is approx. 44% of Canada.
15. 1/3 of Canada is covered with forest.
16. Canada and the United States are the largest two-way trading partners in the world.
17. Canada is composed of ten provinces and three territories.
18. The first people of Canada are the First Nations.
19. Hudson Bay is the largest bay in the world.
20. Most Canadians live within 150 miles of the border with the United States.
21. The Atlantic Provinces were economically affected by the depletion of the fishing industry.
22. Furs, minerals, agriculture, and natural gas are a few of the resources that shaped Canada's economy.
23. Canada has a Parliamentary form of government.
24. Nunavut was created in 1999 for Inuit self-rule.
25. Canada has a national health care system.
26. Prince Edward Island is the smallest province in Canada.
27. The capital of Canada is Ottawa.
28. The Catholic Church significantly influenced French Canada.
29. The Prime Minister is similar to the President in the United States.
30. The legislative branch is composed of the Senate and House of Commons.
31. Emily Carr, from British Columbia is one of Canada's most popular artists.
32. Canada has been affected by the acid rain blowing north from industry in the U.S.
33. Most people live in the Central Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.
34. Canada is a bilingual country: French and English.
35. The Prairie Provinces have checkerboard grain fields and natural gas.
36. The North American Free Trade Agreement, or NAFTA involves Mexico, U.S., and Canada
37. The Central Provinces are the center of manufacturing, technology, and government.
38. The Queen of England is a figurehead, with little power over Canada.