

#### CANADA

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## LOCATION: NORTH AMERICA

- The country is second in land area, and the population is relatively small
- The US and Canada are very close in land area, Canada is only 2% bigger, yet Canada has almost 300,000,000 million fewer people. This is because most of northern Canada is uninhabitable.
- Canada is well known for its beautiful landscape. (Seen on the left.)
- Canada has the most lakes than the rest of the world combined and over half of the lakes in the world. 9% of Canada's total surface area is covered in water.
- Canada has the longest coastline in the world, to give you a better picture, if you were to travel 12 miles every day it would take you about 33 years to get back to where you started.
- Most people in Canada within 60 miles of the southern border.
- The Canadian Shield is a horse-shoe shaped region of Canada which surrounds the Hudson Bay. It covers almost half of Canada's land.



## INTERESTING CANADIAN HISTORY FACTS

- Canada's land was first discovered in 1497, yet the country was only formed hundreds of years later, a paleo -Indian named John Cabot discovered the land on a ship named the Matthew.
- Canada become a country when the British Parliament, who was currently at rule during the time, passed the British North American Act, thus making them a country in 1867.
- When Canada was first formed, it didn't have a flag, it went over 100 years of being a country without a flag. Then they received their own national flag in 1965.
- Canada was invade twice by Americans these times were 1775 and 1812.. In return Canada (which was actually Britain at the time) burned down the White House in 1812.
- Since the year Canada was founded, the population there has grown dramatically. Although Canada has only 35 million people, Canada's population has grown tremendously mainly from immigration and very high birth rates.







#### CANADIAN CULTURE

- Lacrosse, which came from the Indians who traveled to North America, became Canada's first national sport. The Canadians have been playing Lacrosse before the Europeans arrived in North America.
- Canada Day is the most important holiday to the Canadians. This holiday is celebrated on July 1<sup>st</sup>, this was the day when Canada became one country, uniting the three countries of Province of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.
- If you find yourself as being a person who loves city life, then Canada would be your choice. Almost 80% of Canadians live in cities.
- Canada supports many religions, but there's one religion that is very populous in Canada. That is Catholicism. Another widely spread religion is Protestants.
- Canada is one very diverse country. Diverse means many different kinds of things. Now, what is Canada diverse about? It's diverse with its people! Over 149 languages are present in the city of Toronto. And, over half the people in Canada weren't born there!

### 5 GREAT THINGS IN CANADA

- Canada has such beautiful landscape. Seeing all the mountains, lakes, and forests is so phenomenal!
- I am a very city life person. And it's so amazing to see the beauty of Canada's cities. And that most of Canada is cities.
- I'm a big person when it comes to food. I have had the opportunity to taste some Canadian dishes and they were the best things I've had.
- One of the greatest things to me is Canada's healthcare. Most places in Canada you don't have to pay it. With their system you pay for healthcare through taxes.
- This may be on the boring side, but it's still a amazing thing. Canada has the second cleanest air in the world! That means you won't be breathing in chemicals or CO2. This is due to population density and the amount of forests in Canada.



HOW DOES
FISHERS JUNIOR
HIGH BENEFIT
FROM HAVING
FAMILIES FROM
THIS COUNTRY
AS A PART OF
OUR SCHOOL
AND
COMMUNITY?

• FJH benefits from having other cultures here, because we are all able to learn more about other places from the people that have come to FJH. The more different types of people we have the more and more we are able to learn about other places in the world without even having to visit them ourselves.

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