

Canadian Trivia Questions & Answers

1. What is the origin of the name "Canada"?
Canada is a name derived from the Huron-Iroquois kanata meaning, a village or settlement
2. Who was the first Prime Minister of Canada?
Sir John A. Macdonald
3. What animal is on the Canadian quarter?
the **CARIBOU**
4. How many oceans touch Canada?
THREE - the Atlantic on the east, the Pacific on the west and the Arctic to the north
5. How many countries border Canada?
ONE - the United States of America
6. How many provinces in Canada?
TEN - from west to east they are: British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland
7. What is the capital city of Canada (the national capital)?
Ottawa
8. True or False? Canada is the world's second largest country, by land mass?
TRUE
9. What is the Canadian \$1 coin called?
the Loonie (the loon is a Canadian bird and is pictured on the coin, thus the name)
10. How many territories in Canada?
THREE - from west to east they are: Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut
11. What is the most recent territory in Canada called?
Nunavut
12. When was the most recent territory in Canada formed?
April 1, 1999
13. When was the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms included in the Constitution Act?
1982 (no, that isn't a typo) Unlike the majority of democratic countries whose basic law derives from one document, Canada's basic law derives not only from a set of documents known as Constitution Acts, but also a set of unwritten laws and conventions.
14. True or False? Superman was created by a Canadian?
TRUE
15. Who were the first people to live in Canada?
(a) Europeans, (b) Americans, (c) Aborigines, or (d) Norsemen
(c) the aborigines or first nations peoples were the first inhabitants of Canada
16. What is the name of the elected lower house of Canadian parliament?
the house of commons
17. What is the leader of Canada called?
the Prime Minister

18. What leaf is on the Canadian flag?
the maple leaf - it is the national emblem of Canada
19. What is the Canadian national anthem called?
O Canada -- oddly enough, although it has been sung since the late 1800's, it wasn't proclaimed Canada's National Anthem until 1980.
20. What is the "big prize" for the Canadian Football League ("CFL") called? The _____ cup
the **GREY** cup
21. What is the "big prize" for the National Hockey League ("NHL") called? The _____ cup
the **STANLEY** cup
22. What rodent is described by the Canadian Encyclopedia as having "had a greater impact on the history and exploration of Canada than any other animal or plant species"?
the **BEAVER**
23. What measurement is used in Canada to measure temperature?
Celsius
24. How many national languages does Canada have?
TWO
25. What are Canada's national languages?
English and French
26. Who was the only Canadian ever to serve as Prime Minister of Great Britain?
Bonar Law
27. Which was the tenth province to join Confederation?
Newfoundland
28. Who was the first French-Canadian Prime Minister of Canada?
Sir Wilfrid Laurier
29. Who led the Metis in the rebellions at Red River in 1870 and in the northwest in 1885?
Louis Riel
30. What was the name of the system of safe passages and safehouses that allowed American slaves to escape to freedom in Canada?
The Underground Railroad
31. What is Laura Secord famous for?
Laura Secord warned the British of the impending attack on Canada by the Americans during the war of 1812 and because of this warning the British won the battle
32. How many time zones in Canada?
SIX
33. How many national parks are there in Canada?
(a) under 10 (b) between 10 and 50 (c) between 50 and 100 (d) over 100
(B) between 10 and 50
34. What is the name of the highest mountain in Canada?
Mount Logan -- having said that, on October 4, 2000, Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien announced that Mount Logan would be renamed Mount Pierre Elliott Trudeau. After a public outcry against the idea, we decided to keep the name Mount Logan. Sir William Edmond Logan was one of

Canada's greatest surveyors and scientists. Without getting political here, for many people the issue was not so much whether or not Trudeau deserved it, but more the importance of retaining the history of Canada which is too often forgotten.