

READING 1. CANADA

Some Interesting Facts about Canada

1. _____.
From east to west, it stretches from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean; north to south, it extends from the United States to the Arctic Ocean. To drive from Halifax, on Canada's east coast, to Vancouver, on the west coast, takes seven days.

The Physical Geography

2. _____.

* **The Atlantic Region** - Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador

* **Central Canada** - Ontario and Quebec

* **The Prairies** - Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta

* **The West Coast** - British Columbia

* **The North** - the Yukon and Northwest Territories and Nunavut

Ontario and Quebec have the most people, the northern territories the fewest.

The People

Although it's the second largest country in the world, 3. _____.

According to Statistics Canada, the population in 1006 was about 32,623,500 people - an average 3.5 inhabitants per square kilometre. 4. _____.

The Language

5. _____. You must speak at least one of these in order to become a Canadian citizen. About 6.6 million Canadians cite French as their mother tongue. Most of them live in Quebec but almost 1 million reside in other provinces.

The Culture

Part of what makes Canada unique is the Canadian Multiculturalism Act, which recognizes and values cultural diversity. 6. _____. In general, people from more than 150 countries move to Canada every year. 7. _____.

The Climate

8. _____. The truth, however, is quite different. Being a large country, Canada has a wide range of climates and temperatures. Most of the country has four distinct seasons (winter, spring, summer and fall)

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The following sentences have been removed from the text about Canada. Write a number next to each of them to show where it goes in the text.

- a) People often think that it's always cold, all across the land _____
- b) Canada is the second-largest country in the world _____
- c) Canada is one of the least densely populated _____
- d) There are a lot of different ethnic and cultural communities _____
- e) Canada has two official languages: French and English _____
- f) Many newcomers settle in Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and other urban centres _____
- g) Most of Canada's population — 80% — lives less than 250 kilometres from the U.S. border _____
- h) Canada is made up of ten provinces and three territories within five geographic regions _____

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