



Welcome to Citizenship Class



Who do Canadians make the oath (promise) of citizenship to?

(a) Queen Elizabeth I(b) Queen Elizabeth II(c) the President(d) the Prime Minister

ANSWER

(b) Canadians make the oath of Citizenship to Queen Elizabeth II.

Which of the following are two words that can be used instead of the words king or queen? (Pick two)

(a) monarch(b) Sovereign(c) Premier(d) President

ANSWERS

(a) & (b) monarch or sovereign

What three terms can you use to describe the form of government Canada has?

- (a) constitutional monarchy
- (b) parliamentary democracy
- (c) federal state
- (d) dictatorship
- ANSWERS
- (a) constitutional monarchy(b) parliamentary democracy(c) federal state

How many years have settlers and immigrants come to this country?

(a) 100 years
(b) 200 years
(c) 300 years
(d) 400 years

ANSWER

(d) 400 years

Where does Canadian law come from? (Choose three answers)

(a) English common law(b) French civil code(c) The United States(d) Great Britain

 ANSWERS
 (a) English common law (b) French civil code (d) Great Britain

Name two key documents that contain our rights and freedoms.

(a) Magna Carta (The Great Charter of Freedoms)

- (b) the newspaper
- (c) the passport

(d) Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

ANSWERS

(a) Magna Carta (The Great Charter of Freedoms), and (d) The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms There are (4) fundamental freedoms that Canadians enjoy. Which choice is not correct?

- (a) freedom of peaceful assembly
- (b) freedom of association
- (c) freedom of peaceful assembly
- (d) freedom to own guns

ANSWER

(d) Freedom to own guns is not a fundamental freedom.

When was the Constitution of Canada changed?

- (a) 1870
- (b) 1882
- (c) 1970
- (d) 1982
- ANSWER

(d) 1982

Which of the following is not one of the four (4) rights that Canadians enjoy.

- (a) Mobility rights
- (b) the right to drink Tim Hortons coffee every day
- (c) Aboriginal people's rights
- (d) multiculturalism
- ANSWER

(b) the right to drink Tim Hortons coffee everyday

What does Habeas corpus mean?

(a) the Head of State

- (b) the right to challenge unlawful detention by the state
- (c) Honorable Corporal

(d) the Law

ANSWER

(b) the right to challenge unlawful detention by the state

What did the amended 1982 constitution have in it?

- (a) the Official Languages Act
- (b) the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade
- (c) Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms(d) a definition of responsible government
- ANSWER

(c) Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

What are three ways of taking responsibility for yourself and your family?

(a) getting a job(b) taking care of one's family(c) working hard in keeping with one's abilities(d) driving a car

ANSWERS

(a) getting a job(b) taking care of one's family(c) working hard in keeping with one's abilities

Who has to obey the law?

- (a) men
- (b) women
- (c) children
- (d) everyone
- ANSWER

(d) everyone

What is meant by the equality of men and women?

(a) Men provide for women.(b) They care for each other.(c) Women provide for men.(d) Men and women are equal under the law.

ANSWER

(d) Men and women are equal under the law.

What does a jury do?

(a) helps the police(b) helps the judge(c) helps the lawyer(d) helps the immigrants

ANSWER

(b) The jury helps the judge to make decisions about whether the person who is on trial is guilty or not guilty.

What are the three kinds of elections?

- (a) State, county and area
- (b) State, provincial and local
- (c) Federal, provincial or territorial, local
- (d) Federal, state, and local
- ANSWER

(c) federal, provincial or territorial, local

Do you have to join the Canadian army?

- (a) yes, after the age of 18
- (b) yes, after the age of 21
- (c) yes, but only men
- (d) no
- ANSWER

(d) No

What are the advantages of volunteering? (Pick three)

- (a) You can make money.
- (b) You can gain useful skills.
- (c) You can make friends.
- (d) You can network for jobs.

ANSWERS

(b), (c) and (d)It is a good way to gain useful skills and to make friends and to network for jobs

What are the three countries in North America?

- (a) USA
 (b) Canada
 (c) Cuba
 (d) Mexico
- ANSWERS

(a), (b) and (d) Canada, USA, and Mexico

What are some other ways to help Canada? (Pick three)

(a) Working as a bartender(b) Working as a police officer(c) Working as a firefighter(d) Serving in the Coast guard

ANSWERS

(b), (c) and (d) By serving in the Coast Guard or emergency services, or by working as a police officer or a firefighter

Do the USA and Mexico have a constitutional monarchy?

- (a) yes
- (b) no
- (c) USA does
- (d) Mexico does
- ANSWER

(b) No

What is an important expression in Canadian government?

- (a) Love, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness
- (b) Peace, Love and Joy
- (c) Eat, Pray, Love
- (d) Peace, Order and Good Government
- ANSWER

(d) Peace, order and good government

When was the expression "Peace, Order and Good Government" used in the British North America Act?

(a) 1768
(b) 1867
(c) 1876
(d) 1976

ANSWER

(b) 1867

* Who were the founding peoples of Canada? (Pick three)

- (a) the Aboriginal
- (b) the Spanish
- (c) the French
- (d) the British
- ANSWER

 (a), (c), and (d) the Aboriginal, the French, and the British

When was the British North America Act created?

- (a) 1768
- (b) 1867
- (c) 1876
- (d) 1976
- ANSWER

(b) 1867

What is Canada called?

(a) The land of the Maple Leaf(b) The Great Dominion(c) The Home of the Timbit(d) The Kingdom of the Canuck

ANSWER

(b) The Great Dominion

What did King George III do in 1763?

- (a) He fought a war.
- (b) He made a promise to the Aboriginal people.
- (c) He got married.
- (d) He travelled to Canada.

 ANSWER
 (b) In 1763, King George III promised to allow the aboriginal people to have the right to the land on which they lived.

Who are the Métis? (Who are they descended from?)

- (a) Spanish & French
- (b) English & Aboriginal
- (c) English & Spanish
- (d) French & Aboriginal

ANSWERS

(b) and (d) The Métis are the descendants of French or English men who married aboriginal women when they came to work in the fur trade.

Who were the first people to live in Canada?

- (a) the Aboriginal
- (b) the Spanish
- (c) the French
- (d) the British
- ANSWER

(a) The Aboriginal people were the first people to live in Canada

What did Canada apologize for in 2008?

- (a) the railroad(b) the Japanese internment(c) the Head Tax
- (d) residential schools
- ANSWER

(d) In 2008, Aboriginals who went to residential schools got an apology from the Government of Canada.

What does the word "Inuit" mean?

- (a) the people
- (b) the Night
- (c) a new day
- (d) I knew it
- ANSWER
- (a) The people

What are the three main groups of aboriginal people? (Pick three)

- (a) Métis
- (b) Inuit
- (c) Eskimo
- (d) Indian (First Nations)
- ANSWERS

(a), (b), and (d) Métis, Inuit, Indian (First Nations)

What is the word, used since the 1970s to describe aboriginal people who are not Inuit or Métis?

- (a) Aboriginal peoples(b) Eskimos(c) Indians(d) First Nations
- ANSWER
- (d) First Nations

What percentage of aboriginal people in Canada are Métis?

- (a) About 10%
- (b) About 1/4 or 25%
- (c) About 1/3 or 33%
- (d) About 1/2 or 50%

ANSWER

(c) About 1/3 or 33%

What percentage of Aboriginal people in Canada are Inuit?

- (a) 4%
- (b) 14%
- (c) 24%
- (d) 34%
- ANSWER

(a) 4%

Who was John Buchan?

(a) A Member of Parliament(b) A Senator(c) A Governor General

(d) A Prime Minister

ANSWER

John Buchan was the Governor General between 1835 and 1840. He believed in "unity in diversity" Half of the First Nations people live on reserve land. Where do the other half of the First Nations people live?

- (a) in Winnipeg
- (b) in Vancouver
- (c) in Toronto
- (d) in urban centres
- ANSWER
- (d) in urban centres

People who speak English as a first language are Anglophones, and people who speak French as a first language are _____.

(a) Anglofrench(b) Phonefrench(c) Anglophones(d) Francophones

ANSWER

(d) Francophones

How many communities are there on reserve land?

- (a) 6
 (b) 60
 (c) 600
 (d) 6000
- ANSWER
- (c) 600

What are Canada's two official languages?

(a) English and French(b) French and German(c) English and German(d) French and Spanish

ANSWER

(a) English and French

Where do most Francophones live?

- (a) Manitoba(b) Quebec(c) Ontario
- (d) New Brunswick
- ANSWER
- (b) Quebec

Which province is the only officially bilingual province?

(a) Manitoba(b) Quebec(c) Ontario(d) New Brunswick

ANSWER

(d) New Brunswick

What year did King Charles II of England decide that the Hudson Bay Company was allowed to look for fur in all of the land that had water that flowed into Hudson Bay?

- (a) 1400
 (b) 1800
 (c) 2010
 (d) 1670
- ANSWER

(d) 1670

Which provinces are in the Maritimes?

- (a) Quebec, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Manitoba
- (b) Northwest Territories, PEI, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia
- (c) Nova Scotia, PEI, Newfoundland, New Brunswick
- ANSWER

(c) Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island

What was the Underground Railroad?

 (a) The escape route that the slaves took to get to Canada from the United States
 (b) The route the minors took during the Cold

(b) The route the miners took during the Gold Rush to the Yukon

(c) A subway

(d) A new form of transportation

ANSWER

(a) The escape route that the slaves took to get to Canada from the United States

Who was forced to leave Canada during the "Great Upheaval"?

(a) the Acadians(b) the Aboriginals(c) the French(d) the English

ANSWER

(a) Between 1755 and 1763, the Acadians were forced to leave Canada, and go to Britain, France, or another British colony

Who was defeated during the battle of the Plains of Abraham?

- (a) The English
- (b) The Inuit
- (c) The French
- (d) None of the above
- ANSWER

(c) The French

What is a result of the War of 1812?

- (a) Major General Sir Isaac Brock's death
- (b) The Canada-USA border
- (c) Canada's continued independence from the United States
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER

(d) All of the above

Who was Sir Louis-Hippolyte LaFontaine?

- (a) The first leader of a responsible government in Canada
- (b) A Victorian Cross recipient
- (c) A famous athlete
- (d) An artist
- ANSWER

(a) The first leader of a responsible government in Canada

What did the Canadian Pacific Railway symbolize?

- (a) National unity
- (b) The underground railway
- (c) Hard work
- (d) Immigration
- ANSWER

(a) National unity

When did Canada become a country? (a) 1812 (b) 1867 (c) 1492

- (d) 2000
- ANSWER

(b) 1867

When did the government of Canada apologize to Japanese Canadians?

- (a) 1640
 (b) 1867
 (c) 1988
 (d) 2010
- ANSWER

(c) 1988 (for the way they were treated in the second world war)

Which was the last province to join Canada?

- (a) Northwest Territories
- (b) Nunavut
- (c) Newfoundland and Labrador
- (d) British Columbia
- ANSWER

(c) Newfoundland and Labrador

Who was the first French– Canadian prime minister since Confederation?

- (a) Sir Louis-Hippolyte LaFontaine(b) Sir John A. Macdonald(c) Sir Wilfred Laurier(d) Sir Leonard Tilley
- ANSWER
- (c) Sir Wilfred Laurier

Which country is Canada's largest trading partner?

- (a) China
- (b) United States of America
- (c) Mexico
- (d) Britain
- ANSWER

(b) United States of America (U.S.A.)

What do Canadians normally wear on Remembrance Day?

- (a) Maple Leaf
- (b) Beaver hat
- (c) Moose coat
- (d) A red poppy
- ANSWER

(d) A red poppy

What does RCAF stand for?

- (a) Royal Christian Army Federation
- (b) Royal Canadian Air Force
- (c) Royal Canadian Army Force
- (d) Regal Canadian Air Force
- ANSWER

(b) Royal Canadian Air Force

Who was Emily Carr?

(a) A politician(b) A teacher(c) A painter(d) A singer

ANSWER

(c) Emily Carr was a famous painter associated with the Group of Seven

Who is one of the greatest hockey players of all time?

- (a) Donavan Bailey
- (b) Chantal Petitclerc
- (c) Wayne Gretzky
- (d) Terry Fox
- ANSWER

(c) Wayne Gretzky

What was promised in the Official Languages Act in 1969?

- (a) English-language rights
- (b) Quebec could separate from Canada
- (c) Multiculturalism
- (d) French-language rights and services
- ANSWER

(d) French-language rights and services

What is Canada's national winter sport?

- (a) Hockey
- (b) Skiing
- (c) Figure skating
- (d) Snowmobiling
- ANSWER

(a) Hockey is Canada's national winter sport

Who invented basketball in 1891?

- (a) A politician
- (b) James Naismith
- (c) Donavan Bailey
- (d) Norman Jewison
- ANSWER

(b) James Naismith invented basketball in 1891

Who were pioneer thinkers in the field of communications?

- (a) Marshall McLuhan(b) Sidney Altman(c) Harold Innis(d) Both (a) and (c)
- ANSWER

(d) Both Marshall McLuhan and Harold Innis

What are Denys Arcand, Norman Jewison and Atom Egoyan known for?

(a) Olympic medals(b) Pioneer thinking(c) Filmmaking(d) Group of Seven members

ANSWER

(c) Filmmaking

What did Terry Fox raise money for?

- (a) The Paralympics
- (b) Spinal cord research
- (c) Multiculturalism
- (d) Cancer research
- ANSWER

(d) Terry Fox began the Marathon of Hope to raise money for cancer research

What did the Canadian Space Agency design and build?

- (a) The Canadahand
- (b) The Canadabrain
- (c) The Canadarm
- (d) The Canadanose

ANSWER

(c) Canadian astronauts have participated in space exploration with the Canadarm

What did Dr. John A. Hopps invent?

- (a) The telephone
- (b) The cardiac pacemaker
- (c) Standard time zones
- (d) The snowmobile
- ANSWER

(b) The first cardiac pacemaker

Who went around the world in his wheelchair to raise money for spinal cord research?

- (a) Wayne Gretzky(b) Terry Fox(c) Rick Hansen(d) Bertram Brockhouse
- ANSWER

(c) Rick Hansen went around the world in 1985

Who thought of the idea of the telephone?

- (a) Joseph-Armand Bombardier
- (b) Alexander Graham Bell
- (c) Dr. Wilder Penfield
- (d) Sir Sanford Fleming
- ANSWER

(b) Alexander Graham Bell

What did Lord Grey donate?

(a) The Grey Cup trophy(b) The Grey Cup medal(c) A football(d) A CFL team

ANSWER

(a) Governor General Lord Grey donated the Grey Cup trophy in 1909

Who discovered insulin?

(a) Sir Frederick Banting(b) Sir Sandford Fleming(c) Charles Best(d) Both (a) and (c)

ANSWER

(d) Sir Frederick Banting and Charles Best discovered insulin

What did Mike Lazaridis and Jim Balsillie help invent?

- (a) The telephone
- (b) The cardiac pacemaker
- (c) The Blackberry
- (d) The light bulb
- ANSWER

(c) The Blackberry

What does Confederation mean?

- (a) The joining of provinces to make a new country
- (b) A central government
- (c) Both federal and provincial governments
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER
- (d) all of the above

What is the Prime Minister's role in the Constitution?

- (a) The Head of Government
- (b) Leadership for Canada
- (c) Chooses the Governor General
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER

(d) all of the above

Which is not a responsibility of the federal government?

- (a) Citizenship
- (b) Criminal justice
- (c) Highways
- (d) International trade
- ANSWER

(c) Highways are a **provincial** responsibility

How many judges are appointed?

(a) Six
(b) Nine
(c) Twenty-five
(d) None

ANSWER

(b) Nine judges are appointed by the Governor General

Which government is responsible for immigration?

- (a) Federal
- (b) Provincial
- (c) Both Federal and Provincial governments

ANSWER

(c) Federal and Provincial governments share the responsibility for immigration

What is the Queen's role in the Constitution?

- (a) She is the Head of State
- (b) She unites all Canadians
- (c) She helps protect Constitutional freedoms(d) All of the above
- ANSWER

(d) All of the above

Which is not part of the Executive Branch?

- (a) The Governor General
- (b) The Prime Minister
- (c) The Cabinet
- (d) The House of Commons
- ANSWER

(d) The House of Commons is part of the Legislative Branch

Who recommends senators?

- (a) The Queen
- (b) The Voters
- (c) The Governor General
- (d) The Prime Minister
- ANSWER

(d) The Prime Minister recommends senators

Who is entitled to vote in Canadian federal elections?

- (a) All US citizens
- (b) 16 year-old Canadian citizens
- (c) Canadian citizens on the voters' list who are at least 18 years old on voting day
- ANSWER

(c) Canadian citizens on the voter's list who are at least 18 years old on voting day

What is another name for members of the House of Commons?

- (a) Members of the National Assembly
- (b) Members of Parliament
- (c) Members of the House of Assembly
- ANSWER

(b) Members of Parliament or MPs

What are the three branches of government?

- (a) Executive, Legislative, Judicial
- (b) Sovereign, Senate, House of Commons
- (c) Judiciary, Senate, Sovereign
- (d) Sovereign, Governor General, Prime Minister
- ANSWER

(a) Executive, Legislative, Judicial

Where do elected Members of Parliament (MPs) work after they are elected?

- (a) Toronto(b) Ottawa(c) Vancouver(d) Winnipeg
- ANSWER

(b) Elected MPs work in Ottawa in the House of Commons

Which level of government is responsible for firefighting?

- (a) Federal
- (b) Provincial
- (c) Municipal
- (d) None of the above
- ANSWER

(c) Municipal governments are responsible for firefighting

How often are federal elections held?

- (a) Every year
- (b) Every three years
- (c) Every four years
- (d) Every ten years
- ANSWER

(c) Every four years

What is the presumption of innocence?

(a) You are guilty until proven innocent(b) You are innocent until proven guilty(c) You are an innocent child(d) You are in trouble

ANSWER

(b) In criminal matters, everyone is innocent until proven guilty

Who chooses the Ministers of the Crown (Cabinet Ministers)?

- (a) The Prime Minister
- (b) The Governor General
- (c) The Queen
- (d) Members of Parliament
- ANSWER

(a) The Prime Minister

What is Canada's most well known and respected symbol?

- (a) The beaver
- (b) The RCMP
- (c) The Maple Leaf
- (d) The Parliament buildings
- ANSWER

(c) The Maple Leaf

Who are the people who are elected at the municipal level of government? (choose two answers)

- (a) Citizen
 (b) Judge
 (c) Mayor
 (d) Councillors
- ANSWER

(c) Mayor and(d) Councillors are chosen in city elections

Which level of government is responsible for policing?

- (a) Municipal (b) Provincial
- (c) Municipal
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER

(d) all of the above (the RCMP is a federal responsibility)

What is a popular ice game introduced by Scottish pioneers?

- (a) Hockey
- (b) Skiing
- (c) Curling
- (d) Skating
- ANSWER
- (c) Curling

Where are civil cases involving small sums of money settled?

- (a) Federal court
- (b) Provincial court
- (c) Traffic court
- (d) Small claims court
- ANSWER

(d) Small claims court

What animal is on the five-cent coin?

- (a) Giraffe
- (b) Lion
- (c) Beaver
- (d) Moose
- ANSWER

(c) The beaver is on the five-cent coin

What does the Latin phrase "A Mari Usque Ad Mare" mean?

- (a) From ocean to ocean
- (b) From sea to sea
- (c) Queen Elizabeth
- (d) From one side to the other side
- ANSWER

(b) Canada's national motto is "from sea to sea".

What are the two official languages of Canada?

- (a) Russian and Ukrainian
- (b) Chinese and Punjabi
- (c) French and Swedish
- (d) English and French
- ANSWER

(d) English and French

Which border is the "the world's longest undefended border"?

- (a) Mexico-U.S.A.
- (b) Canada-U.S.A.
- (c) Canada-Alaska
- (d) France-Spain
- ANSWER

(b) Canada-U.S.A.

What is the highest honour that Canadians can receive?

- (a) An order
- (b) A decoration
- (c) The Victoria Cross
- (d) A medal
- ANSWER

(c) The Victoria Cross

Who are the three members of NAFTA?

(a) Spain, England, France
(b) U.S.A., Canada, Iceland
(c) Mexico, U.S.A., Canada
(d) Germany, Ireland, U.S.A.

ANSWER

(c) Mexico, U.S.A., and Canada are members of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

How many provinces does Canada have?

- (a) Ten
- (b) Thirteen
- (c) Six
- (d) Three
- ANSWER

(a) Canada has ten provinces and three territories

Which one is not a capital city of a province?

- (a) Fredericton
- (b) Winnipeg
- (c) Regina
- (d) Ottawa

ANSWER

(d) Ottawa is the capital of Canada and forms the National Capital Region

What are some of Canada's main industries?

- (a) Service industries
- (b) Manufacturing industries
- (c) Natural resource industries
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER

(d) All of the above

What is the capital city of Ontario?

- (a) Edmonton
- (b) Ottawa
- (c) Toronto
- (d) Whitehorse
- ANSWER

(c) Toronto

Which province is the only officially bilingual province?

- (a) Quebec
- (b) Manitoba
- (c) New Brunswick
- (d) Nova Scotia
- ANSWER
- (c) New Brunswick

What is Canada's smallest province?

- (a) Prince Edward Island
- (b) Nova Scotia
- (c) Newfoundland
- (d) New Brunswick
- ANSWER

(a) Prince Edward Island (PEI)

Where is British Columbia (BC) located?

(a) On the West coast(b) On the East coast(c) In Central Canada(d) In the North

ANSWER

(a) On the West Coast

Which province has its own time zone?

- (a) British Columbia
- (b) Prince Edward Island
- (c) Newfoundland and Labrador
- (d) Nova Scotia
- ANSWER

(c) Newfoundland and Labrador has its own time zone

Where is the Mackenzie River located?

- (a) Yukon
- (b) Northwest Territories
- (c) Nunavut
- (d) Alaska
- ANSWER

(b) Northwest Territories

What provinces are in the Prairie Region?

- (a) Ontario, Manitoba, BC
- (b) Manitoba, Quebec, Saskatchewan,
- (c) Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta
- ANSWER

(c) Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta

Which Northern Territory has Inuktitut as an official language and the first language in schools?

- (a) Yukon
- (b) Northwest Territories
- (c) Nunavut
- (d) All of the above
- ANSWER
- (c) Nunavut

Who was a poet who wrote about the Gold Rush?

- (a) The Inuit
- (b) Robert W. Service
- (c) James Naismith
- (d) Terry Fox
- ANSWER
- (b) Robert W. Service