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Canada Homework 1

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1. Name the worlds two largest nations. (Place the largest nation first)

2. How would you describe a person who spoke English, French and Spanish?

3. Does the St. Lawrence Seaway flow uphill or downhill? (Yes, I know it's an obvious question...but **SOMEBODY** will get it wrong!).

4. What Native American group now has their own territory in northern Canada?

5. What is the fastest growing ethnic group in Canada in recent years?

6. What is the title of Canada's head of government? What legislative body is he or she a member of?

7. Name the two largest cities and the capital of Canada.

8. What covers more than fifty percent of Canada?

9. What agreement did Canada sign with the United States and Mexico in 1994? What do you think it accomplished? (Think of what we learned about trade between European nations)

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1. Name the four Maritime Provinces of Canada. How do the Maritimes differ from the rest of Canada's provinces?

2. What is the primary language and largest city in the province of Quebec?

CANADA'S PARLIMENTARY SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT

3. Describe the Canadian system of democracy.

4. What is Canada's primary legislative body?

5. What do members of the House of Commons do when no party has a majority?

6. How is America's head of government different from the Canadian head of government?

*7. There are 435 members of America's House of Representatives and 100 members of the Senate. How many members of each body must vote against Bill Clinton to override his veto?

8. What nation did Canada borrow their system of government from? How many years ago did Canada sever its ties with that nation?

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THE FIRST CANADIANS

Archaeologists have made e_____ guesses about when the first people reached Canada, but their estimates vary. We have proof of h_____ settlement in what we now call B_____ Columbia dating back f_____ thousand years, but a_____ suggest the migration began at least t_____ thousand years ago, and some suggest it began as far back as t_____ -f_____ thousand years ago.

Archaeologists have concluded that the S_____ and A_____ once formed an isthmus, or a n_____ passage of land connecting two larger landmasses. This "land b_____" no longer exists.

The migration into C_____ was probably very slow, happening over hundreds of g_____. Archaeologists suggest that h_____ population expanded from A_____, across the M_____ East, across A_____ and into S_____. This many have taken tens of thousands, or even a million years.

The Native Americans are known by many names. Christopher Columbus called them I_____. The native people of northern Canada prefer to be known as the (I_____, but they are often known as (E_____. By any name, these native have been in North America for a long time. Even if they arrived only 12,000 years ago, that was more than (s_____ thousand years before the first civilizations we've studied in Mesopotamia and Egypt. The first C_____ reached the continent long before the invention of w_____. Once in North America, the natives developed diverse cultures, many more advanced than any in Europe, Asia or Africa.

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*1. About what percentage of Canadians live in Ontario?

*2. What Ontario city is the most populated in Canada? Look carefully at your study sheet, all of the answers are there.

3. What is the capital city of Canada?

THE FIRST CANADIANS

*4. When did the first people reach Canada? (use a range of years)

5. On what basis did archaeologists reach their conclusions regarding the first human settlements in Canada?

6. How did humans reach America from Siberia if the Bering Strait (or the ocean) separates the bodies of land?

*7. Could the first people to inhabit Canada read or write? Are we certain we know the answer to this question?

*8. Once humans reached Canada, what other continent besides North America did they eventually populate?

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THE ARRIVAL OF THE EUROPEANS

The V_____ were likely the first E_____ to reach C_____, but the only e_____ they left behind are the legends of the S_____ people. Legends reveal that E_____ the R_____ left Scandinavia and formed s_____ in G_____ and I_____. His son, L_____ Erikson, explored further w_____ and founded a settlement in what we now call N_____ about *_____ years ago. The settlement was known as V_____, and some scholars suggest that stories about the land prompted C_____ to sail west.

The F_____ colonized C_____ in 16____. The French had a good r_____ with the n_____ people of Canada because they t_____ with them. The natives exchange f_____ for many things including k_____, guns and a_____.

The F_____ lost control of C_____ to the B_____ by 17____, despite the fact that m_____ of the *E_____ population of C_____ was F_____. The English agreed to recognize b_____ cultures. The arrival of E_____ speaking s_____ from the A_____ colonies after the American R_____ swelled the p_____ of Canada but also created e_____ tensions that continue to e_____ today.

The British d_____ Canada into t_____ parts. L_____ Canada, now called Q_____, retained F_____ customs, while U_____, or modern O_____, followed E_____ customs. The English l_____ and c_____ dominated as C_____ expanded e_____ into the f_____ villages of the M_____ Provinces and w_____ into the P_____ Provinces. Today Canada is a *b_____ nation where most of the people speak E_____, but in Q_____, the dominant l_____ and c_____ is F_____.

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1. Why are Manitoba and Saskatchewan known as the "Prairie Provinces" of Canada?

2. Why is Manitoba known as the "bread basket" of Canada?

*3. Why do you think there is not much agricultural activity in Northern Canada?

THE ARRIVAL OF THE EUROPEANS

*1. Why do many people believe that the Vikings reached Canada about ad1000?

2. Who was the founder of Vinland and how did he get his last name?

3. How many years ago did the French begin to colonize Canada? Why did they have a good relationship with the native population?

4. What does mollify means?

5. Why do you think Ontario was called Upper Canada and Quebec Lower Canada? (The flow of the St. Lawrence Seaway is an important clue)

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QUEBEC

Most Canadians speak English, but the primary l_____ of the people of Q_____ is F_____, and the Quebecois are very p_____ of the language and c_____. In fact, some Quebecois want to s_____, or leave the D_____ of Canada to form a s_____ nation.

The provincial *g_____ of Quebec employs "language p_____" who see that s_____ language l_____ are e_____. Laws d_____ that all r_____ and c_____ signs be in F_____. If a s_____ language is used in commercial signs, the French w_____ must be at least (t_____ the size of the non-French writing.

Quebecois who support the l_____ laws want to keep the F_____ language from being "m_____." They also want l_____ to r_____ the predominantly F_____ character of Q_____.

Quebecois see themselves as m_____ in the dominant E_____ Canadian system, but ethnic C_____ in M_____ feel the language police have mistreated them. The C_____ have lived in Montreal's "C__in__t__w__" for more than one h_____ years without discrimination, but are angered because they must take down any Chinese s_____.

A solid m_____ of Quebecois voted a_____ secession in *19____ for a variety of reasons. Even the most ardent supporters of secession agree that the s_____ of l_____ in Q_____ would fall as they d_____ a new national government. Quebec would be seen as a n_____ rather than as part of the f_____ if the left C_____. Most Canadians feel Q_____ will remain u_____ as a p_____ of C_____, but will not s_____ from the D_____.

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QUEBEC

NOTE: you may change you mind about language after completing this assignment.

1. Who enforces Quebec's strict language laws?

2. Describe at least two reasons why many Quebecois favor the province's strict language laws.

3. What Canadian political party supports Quebec nationalism?

4. Should the French speakers of Quebec enforce strict language laws to protect their national heritage, or should people be encouraged to speak in the language they feel most comfortable speaking?

5. Many people in South Florida speak Spanish and do not understand English. Should the English speakers of South Florida enforce strict language laws to protect their national heritage, or should people be encouraged to speak in the language they feel most comfortable speaking?

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THE ATLANTIC PROVINCES

The Atlantic Provinces are in e_____ Canada. They are New B_____, N_____, Nova S_____ and P_____ E_____ Island. F_____, mining and I_____ dominate the e_____ of the M_____. The Atlantic P_____ are the p_____ provinces of Canada because of o_____ -fishing and the e_____ of the region's n_____ resources.

The f_____ provinces have many unique characteristics. Prince Edward Island, or _____, is the s_____ and least p_____ province. N_____ is Canada's e_____ province and includes Newfoundland I_____ and L_____. New Brunswick retains a strong F_____ culture and h_____, but unlike Q_____, has no s_____ movement. N_____ Scotia means "New S_____" because it was f_____ by S_____ people.

The status of the A_____ Provinces is in question should Q_____ decide to s_____ from the Dominion of C_____. Each of the provinces has a F_____ minority, but they are unlikely to want join Quebec. An independent Q_____ would separate the A_____ Provinces from the rest of Canada, making it more difficult for Canada's capital of O_____ to serve the region. The Atlantic Provinces are too small and too p_____ to form an i_____ nation. Another option, to j_____ the United States or as a part of M_____ would have to be considered by both the A_____ Provinces and the United S_____.

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** Look on any map of the United States to find the state in the northeastern corner.

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1. What Canadian province is the nation's largest producer of oil and natural gas?

2. What is Alberta's most populated city?

3. What are two sources of wealth in British Columbia?

THE ATLANTIC PROVINCES

1. What industries dominate the economy of the Atlantic Provinces?

*2. Why are the Atlantic Provinces the poorest part of the nation?

3. The Canadian province of Newfoundland comprises what island and what territory?

4. What two non-English languages and cultures predominate in the Atlantic Provinces?

5. What does Nova Scotia mean?

*6. What do you think the Atlantic Provinces will decide to do should Quebec secede from the Dominion of Canada? Consider your answer carefully and use what you have learned to support your answer.

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