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PIKA: Canadian Children's Literature Database

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pika/

Subjects: Language arts, literacy

Resources: A searchable database for Canadian children's literature, with summaries of books and recommendations for age group and reading level

Read Up On It

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/read-up-on-it/

- Subjects: Language arts, literacy
- **Resources:** An annual selection of Canadian books for young readers, searchable by name and title

TD Summer Reading Club www.td-club-td.ca

An annual summer reading program designed to encourage literacy, featuring books on various themes

Resources: An activity package for schoolchildren, interactive games, library and school partnerships, suggested book lists, videos and DVDs organized by age group and genre

Page by Page: Creating a Children's Book www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pagebypage/

Subjects:	Language arts, literacy
About:	Creating and illustrating a children's book
Resources :	Bookmaking activities

Canadian Directories: Who Was Where

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canadiandirectories/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement
Subjects:	History, social studies, geography
About:	Historical Canadian communities since 1790
Resources:	Classroom activities

The Kids' Site of Canadian Settlement

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/settlement/kids/

Themes:Exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoplesSubjects:History, technology, language artsAbout:The history of Aboriginal peoples and settlement
groups in CanadaResources:A complete teaching unit and six interactive
games



Four Kings and One Queen www.portraits.gc.ca/009001-3101-e.html

Themes:	Notable people, the arts
Subjects:	Visual arts, history, language arts
About:	The Four Indian Kings portraits
Resources:	Classroom activities

Images Canada www.imagescanada.ca

A searchable database of 131,000 images relating to Canadian people, places and events **Resources:** Two complete teaching units and classroom activities

Canadian Genealogy Centre

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/022-400-e.html

Themes:Genealogy and family historySubjects:Social studies, historyAbout:Genealogical resources in CanadaResources:Lesson plans, activities and games

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The Kids' Site of Canadian Trains

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/trains/kids/

- **Themes:** Exploration and settlement, politics and government, notable people and accomplishments
- Subjects: History, geography, language arts, mathematics
- About: The railway and the development of Canada
- **Resources:** Classroom activities

Passageways: True Tales of Adventure for Young Explorers

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/explorers/kids/

Themes:Exploration and settlementSubjects:Social studies, language artsAbout:Canadian explorers from
the 11th to the 20th centuryResources:A complete teaching unit

The Virtual Gramophone: Canadian Historical Sound Recordings

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/gramophone/

Themes:	The arts, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects:	Music, visual arts, language arts
About:	Historical music recordings and biographies
	of musicians
Resources:	Classroom activities

Beyond the Letters: A Retrospective of Canadian Alphabet Books

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/abc/

Subjects:Language arts, literacyAbout:The history of Canadian alphabet booksResources:Classroom alphabet activities

William James Topley: Reflections on a Capital Photographer

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/topley/

Themes:	The arts
Subjects:	Social studies, visual arts, language arts
About:	How to make and use photographic instruments
Resources:	Classroom activities

Reflecting on Anne of Green Gables

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/whats-on/anne-exhibition/

Themes:	Literature, the arts
Subjects:	Visual arts, drama, language arts
About:	Anne of Green Gables and
	Lucy Maud Montgomery
Resources:	Multidisciplinary classroom activities

Sir John A. Macdonald: Canada's Patriot Statesman

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sir-john-a-macdonald/

Themes:	Politics and government, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	Celebrating Sir John A. Macdonald's birthday
Resources :	Integrated classroom activities

Hidden in the Documents: Discovering Loyalist Stories – The EvidenceWeb

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/sources/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement, war and military
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	The lives and stories of Loyalists
Resources:	Teaching unit

Our Voices, Our Stories

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/stories/

Themes:	Aboriginal peoples, literature, the arts
Subjects:	Social studies, language arts, visual arts, drama
About:	Creating, telling and performing cultural stories
Resources:	Two lessons

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First Among Equals: The Prime Minister in Canadian Life and Politics

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/primeministers/kids/

Themes:	Politics and government, notable people and
	accomplishments

- Subjects: History, social studies, civics, language arts
- About: The lives of Canada's prime ministers
- **Resources:** Classroom activities

Through a Lens: Dieppe in Photographs and Film

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/dieppe/

Themes:	War and military
Subjects:	History, social studies
About:	Photos, newsreels, rare film footage captured from Germany
Resources:	Classroom activities

Canadian Olympians

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/olympians/

A database of more than 10,000 images relating to Canada's Olympians

Themes: Sports, notable people and accomplishments

Subjects: History, social studies, language arts, visual arts

Resources: Classroom activities and games

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Without Fear, Favour or Affection: The Men of the North West Mounted Police

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/nwmp-pcno/

- **Themes:** Exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoples, Canadian government
- Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
- About: Personal stories and service records of young recruits to the North West Mounted Police
- **Resources:** Classroom activities and critical thinking challenges

A Real Companion and Friend: The Diary of William Lyon Mackenzie King

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/king/

- **Themes:** Politics and government, notable people, war and military
- Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
- About: Exploring the life and diary of Canada's longest serving prime minister
- Resources: Two complete teaching units

Confederation for Kids

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/confederation/kids/

Themes:	Politics and government, notable people
Subjects:	History, social studies
About:	The shaping of Canada and Confederation
Resources:	Classroom activities

ArtVenture: A Collector's Challenge

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/art/

Themes:	The arts
Subjects:	Visual arts, history, language arts
About:	A virtual visit to an art shop in London, England to collect Canadian art
Resources:	Classroom activities

Canadian Mail Order Catalogues

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/mailorder/

Themes:Exploration and settlementSubjects:History, social studies, language artsAbout:Mail order catalogues and early Canadian
communitiesResources:Classroom activities

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Backcheck: Hockey for Kids

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/hockey/kids/

- **Themes:** Sports and leisure, notable people and accomplishments
- **Subjects:** History, media awareness, language arts, social studies
- About: Rare documents relating to hockey and the historic development of the sport
- **Resources:** Classroom activities

Bon Appétit! A Celebration of Canadian Cookbooks

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/cuisine/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement
Subjects:	Social studies, science, language arts
About:	Culinary traditions of early settlers and indigenous peoples
Resources:	Four subthemes and nineteen classroom activities

Life of a Rock Star

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/rock/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects:	Geology, geography, history, social studies
About:	The Geological Survey of Canada
Resources:	Classroom activities

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Cool Canada

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/cool/

Themes:	Notable people and accomplishments,
	disasters and phenomena
Subjects:	Social studies, language arts
About:	Inventions, phenomena, places and
	people of Canada
Resources:	Teaching Unit

Sheet Music from Canada's Past

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sheetmusic/

Themes:	The arts
Subjects:	Visual arts, music, language arts
About:	Historical Canadian sheet music and
	album covers, with a searchable database
Resources :	Classroom activities

SOS! Canadian Disasters

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sos/

Themes:	Disasters and phenomena
Subjects:	History, social studies, language arts
About:	Disasters that changed Canadian society
	and communities

Resources: A complete teaching unit

Expo 67: Man and His World

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/expo/

Themes:	Notable people and accomplishments, sports and leisure
Subjects:	Language arts, history, social studies, science
About:	The historic world fair in Montréal
Resources :	Fourteen classroom activities

William James Topley: Reflections on a Capital Photographer

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Subjects:	Social studies, visual arts, language arts
About:	How to make and use photographic instruments
Resources:	Classroom activities
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- About: Celebrating Sir John A. Macdonald's birthday
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About:	Creating, telling and performing cultural stories
Resources:	Two lessons

The Gouzenko Affair and the Cold War – The EvidenceWeb

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Themes:	War and military
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	Soviet informer Igor Gouzenko reveals his identity
Resources:	Teaching unit

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Artist Books

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/livres-d-artistes/

Themes:	Literature, the arts
Subjects:	Language arts, visual arts
About:	Exploring and creating poetry and artist books
Resources:	Classroom activities

The Confederation Chronicles – The EvidenceWeb

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/sources/

Themes: Politics and government

- Subjects: Social studies, history, Canadian studies, civics
- About: The reasons for and against Confederation
- **Resources:** Teaching unit

Canada: A Literary Tour

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/literary-tour/

Themes:	Literature
Subjects:	Language arts
About:	Creative writing activities for Canadian literature
Resources:	Classroom activities

In Quarantine: Life and Death on Grosse Île, 1832–1937

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/grosse-ile/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement, disasters and phenomena
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies, civics
About:	The arrival and eventual death of many Irish immigrants fleeing the potato famine of Ireland
Resources:	Unit plan

The Early Chinese Canadians, 1858–1947

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/chinese-canadians/

Themes:	Immigration
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	Challenges encountered by the early Chinese Canadians and their experiences and accomplishments
Resources:	Classroom activities

I Do: Love and Marriage in 19th-Century Canada

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/love-and-marriage/

Themes:	Literature
Subjects:	Language arts, visual arts
About:	Social norms of the 19th century and creative writing exercises
Resources:	Classroom activities

Moving Here, Staying Here. The Canadian Immigrant Experience

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/immigrants/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement, genealogy and family history
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	The Canadian immigrant experience
Resources:	Two critical challenges, genealogy

Detecting the Truth: Fakes, Forgeries and Trickery

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/forgery/

Themes:	The arts
Subjects:	Social studies, history, Canadian studies
About:	The historical significance of fakes and forgeries
Resources:	Critical thinking challenge

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(Ages 15 to 18)

Secondary

LAC Forum on Canadian Democracy

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/democracy/

Themes:	Politics and government
Subjects:	Civics, history, social studies
About:	The study and discussion
	of Canada's democratic system
Resources:	Complete teaching units and classroom activities

The Canadian State: Documents and Dialogue

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canadian-state/

Themes:	Politics and government
Subjects:	History, social studies, language arts
About:	Historic departmental documents of the Canadian government
Resources :	A complete election teaching unit

First Among Equals: The Prime Minister in Canadian Life and Politics

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/primeministers/kids/

Themes:	Politics and government, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects:	History, social studies, civics, language arts
About:	The lives of Canada's prime ministers
Resources:	Classroom activities

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Resources: Complete teaching units and a student tool kit

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Resources: Two complete teaching units and classroom activities

Lest We Forget Project: First World War Cenotaph Research

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/cenotaphresearch/

- Themes: War and military, notable people
- Subjects: History, social studies
- About: Research into the lives and military experience of First World War soldiers using original historic records
- Resources: A complete teaching unit

Under a Northern Star

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/northern-star/

Themes:	Exploration and settlement, multiculturalism, notable people
Subjects:	History, social studies, language arts
About:	Black communities in Canada and understanding social change through people and places
Resources:	A complete teaching unit

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Subjects:	History, social studies, language arts
About:	Exploring the life and diary of Canada's longest serving prime minister
Resources :	Two complete teaching units

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Subjects:	History, social studies
About:	Photos, newsreels, rare film footage captured from Germany
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Canada and the First World War

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/firstworldwar/

Themes:	War and military, politics and government
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- **Subjects:** History, social studies, civics
- About: Those who served in the war and the effects of the war on society
- **Resources:** Classroom activities

Celebrating Women's Achievements

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/women/

- Themes: Notable people, politics and government
- Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
- About: The lives and accomplishments of Canadian women
- Resources: Classroom activities

Tales from the Vault! Canadian Pulp Fiction, 1940–1952 www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pulp/

Themes:Literature, the artsSubjects:Language arts, creative writing, social studiesAbout:The Canadian pulp art and fiction collectionResources:A complete teaching unit

Canadian Writers

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/writers/

Themes:	Literature, the arts
Subjects:	Language arts, literature, creative writing
About:	A manuscript gallery and overview of famous Canadian writers
Resources :	A complete teaching unit

A Nation's Chronicle: The Canada Gazette

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canada-gazette/

- **Themes:** Politics and government, exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoples
- **Subjects:** Civics, history, social studies, language arts
- About: Canada's official journal and database covering issues from the 1800s onward
- **Resources:** Complete teaching units on the Canada Gazette and historic sources, the democratic process, the Irish potato famine, SARS, and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway

Project Naming

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/inuit/

- Subjects: Language arts, social studies, visual arts, photography
- About: Exploring the stories behind the photographs of Inuit people
- Resources: Classroom activities

Susanna Moodie and Catharine Parr Traill

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/moodie-traill/

Themes:	Literature, notable people, exploration and settlement
Subjects:	History, social studies, language arts
About:	Manuscript collections and biographies of authors Moodie and Traill
Resources:	Classroom activities

Backcheck: Hockey for Kids

www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/hockey/kids/

Themes:	Sports and leisure, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects:	History, media awareness, language arts, social studies
About:	Rare documents relating to hockey and the historic development of the sport
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