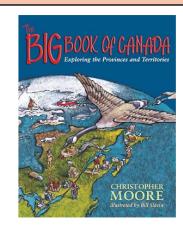


A Mentor Text in Social Studies is a great piece of 'text', such as a book, article, poem, illustration, or picture that serves as a high-quality model for students to study or understand a skill or strategy or concept.

Time and Place - Exploring the dynamic relationships between people, place and time supports understanding of perspectives and events to make meaning of the world.

LO: Students investigate changes in Canada's political boundaries.





Kids Book of Canadian History by Carlotta HackerProvides a kid-friendly overview of Canada's development, including the creation of provinces, territorial expansions (e.g. Nunavut), and historical boundary changes <u>theguardian.com+12kidscanpress.com+12schol.ca+12</u>.

Kids Book of Canadian History (revised edition by Deborah Hodge) Featuring timelines, maps, and fact boxes, this edition clearly illustrates when and how provinces and territories emerged <u>kidscanpress.com+2amazon.com+2donnaward.ca+2</u>.

Scholastic Children's Atlas of Canada (Revised Edition)

Indigenous Culture Based Learning in Alberta Curriculum, Land Acknowledgements.

Includes historical maps that show how Canada's outline and internal political divisions have changed over time, alongside modern political boundaries <u>schol.ca</u>.

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My Canada: An Illustrated Atlas

A younger-grade atlas that highlights each province and territory, with visual cues about their establishment and boundary shifts—great for grades K-2 thecanadianhomeschooler.com+1schol.ca+1.

Canada Year By Year: Written by Elizabeth MacLeod

Award-winning author Elizabeth MacLeod's year-by-year tour of Canada's fascinating history highlights a single milestone for every year from the country's founding in 1867 up to its 150th anniversary in 2017.

https://www.kidscanpress.com/product/canada-year-by-year/

Additional Resources for Older Students

- Canadian Government by Elizabeth MacLeod Covers provincial and federal structure with helpful maps evanstonlibrary.bibliocommons.com+749thshelf.com+7kidstravelbooks.com+7.
- Discovering Canada's Government by Daniel Francis Includes historical context of province formation and boundary adjustments .

Big Book of Canada - Scholastic.ca Dear Canada Timeline Kids Can Press - The Kids Book of Canadian History

Books About Jacques Cartier

Jacques Cartier (Great Explorers Series) – by A. B. Daniel

Publisher: Crabtree Publishing

Covers Cartier's voyages to Canada, interactions with First Nations, and mapping efforts.



Ages: 9–12



Books About Giovanni Caboto (John Cabot)



Explorers Who Got Lost – by Diane Sansevere-Dreher

Publisher: Turtleback Books

Includes a chapter on Caboto's journey and misunderstood voyage to North America.

Ages: 10–13



🗘 Books About Pierre Du Gua de Monts

(Note: Fewer children's books exist about him specifically, but he is featured in multi-explorer texts.)

Champlain and the Silent One - by Kate Jaimet

Publisher: Ronsdale Press

A historical novel featuring Champlain and de Monts as key characters during the 1600s explorations.

Ages: 10–13

Canadian History

Explorers of the Maritime Provinces – by Heather Hudak

Publisher: Beech Street Books

Covers Champlain, de Monts, and other early explorers in Atlantic Canada.

Ages: 9–12



🌊 Books About Samuel de Champlain

Samuel de Champlain: From New France to Cape Cod – by Cheryl Harness

Publisher: National Geographic

A beautifully illustrated account of Champlain's journeys, including maps and journal excerpts.

Ages: 9–12

Champlain: A Life of Courage – by Catherine Senécal



Publisher: Scholastic Canada (Biographies Series)

Simple, illustrated biography focusing on Champlain's achievements and legacy.

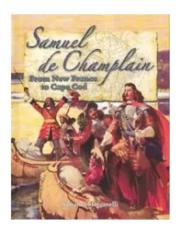
Ages: 8–11

Samuel de Champlain (Great Explorers Series) – by Wendy Mass

Publisher: Scholastic

Offers insight into Champlain's explorations and impact on Canadian settlement.

Ages: 8–10



Thriftbooks.com



Bonus: Multi-Explorer Books

Explorers Who Made It... Or Died Trying! – by Frieda Wishinsky

Publisher: Scholastic Canada

Features Cartier, Caboto, and Champlain with humorous tone and solid facts.



Ages: 8–12

<u>Travel with the Explorers series</u> – includes titles like Travel with Jacques Cartier

Publisher: Crabtree

Allows readers to "travel along" with the explorer through maps, artifacts, and journal entries.

Ages: 8–11

Other links related to LO:

Map of Canada 1967

Territorial Evolution from 1867 to 2017

Historical Boundaries of Canada

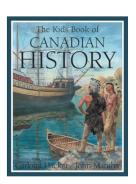
Territorial Timeline

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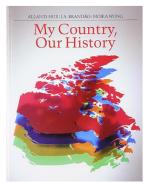


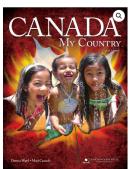
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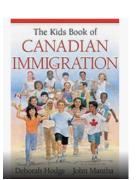
Students examine significant historical events that contributed to the formation of the country of Canada.

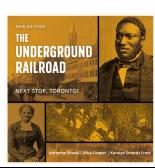


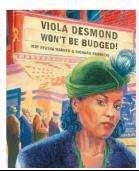


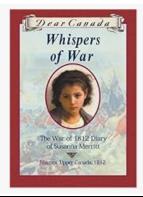


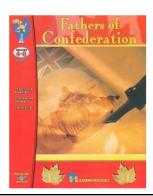












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Ward, D. (2021). Canada, my country (8th ed.). Northwoods Press. Classical Education Books+4Amazon+4Heritage Resources+4

Digital Edition (PDF eBook):

Ward, D. (2021). Canada, my country (8th ed.) [PDF eBook]. Northwoods Press.

Hodge, D., & Mantha, J. (2006). The kids book of Canadian immigration. Kids Can Press.

Shadd, A. L., Cooper, A., & Smardz Frost, K. (2022). *The Underground Railroad: Next stop, Toronto!* Dundurn Press. Strand Book Store+11 Warner, J. N., & Rudnicki, R. (2018). *Viola Desmond won't be budged!* Groundwood Books/House of Anansi Press. Barnes & Noble+10





Pearson, K. (2002). *Dear Canada: Whispers of war: The War of 1812 diary of Susanna Merritt*. Scholastic Canada. Stanford, F. (2002). *Fathers of Confederation* (SSJI-45). S&S Learning Materials.

Other resources related to LO

Biography Pierre Dugua De Monts

<u>Crabtree - SAmuel De Champlain</u> <u>War of 1812 - EPIC book collectio</u> **Kids Can Press**

Canadian Heritage and History

Systems: Evaluation processes and structures of organizations builds understanding of decision making in the world.

LO: Students investigate historical influences on the federal government in Canada.

Resources listed above also relate to this outcome

The Kids Book of Canadian History – Carla Hacker

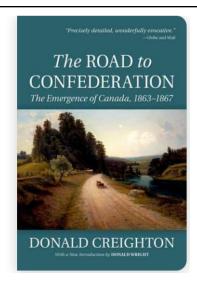
Publisher: Kids Can Press

Includes a clear section on Confederation and the leaders involved.

Includes maps, timelines, and illustrations to help contextualize the BNA Act.







The Road to Confederation: The Emergence of Canada, 1863–1867 – Donald Creighton (Adapted Version)

A simplified version of Creighton's well-known historical work, suitable for classroom reference.

Upper elementary/middle grades

Canada: A People's History (Young Reader's Edition) - Don Gillmor & Pierre Turgeon

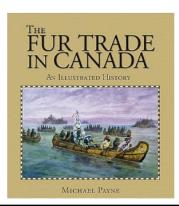
Covers major turning points in Canadian history, including Confederation and early governance. Excellent for connecting political changes to social contexts.

(amazon.com. abe books)



LO: Students examine the role of the fur trade in the development of Canada.







Trapping and Snares – Beaver

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Henry, N. (Ed.). (2019). *How furs built Canada* [Special digital edition]. Canada's History Society. Payne, M. (2004). *The fur trade in Canada: An illustrated history*. James Lorimer & Company Ltd.

Other books on the fur trade:

The Fur Trade in Canada (A National Historic Sites Book) by Michael Payne

A beautifully illustrated overview of the fur trade in Canada, focusing on the key players and events that shaped the development of the nation.

Indigenous Culture Based Learning in Alberta Curriculum, <u>Beaver and His Tail</u> as told by Jason Bigcharles.

Indigenous Culture Based Learning in Alberta Curriculum, <u>Trapping and Snares - Beaver</u>.

The Canadian Fur Trade by William D. G. Huxley

This book provides a detailed look at the fur trade, including the relationships between Indigenous peoples and Europeans and how the fur trade shaped Canada.

The Voyageur by John D. McDonald

A picture book that introduces students to the life of a voyageur and the importance of the fur trade in Canada's early history. It's filled with illustrations that bring the fur trade to life.

Fur Trade: The Trapping of Animals for Fur by Susan Gray

This book is part of a nonfiction series for children that explains the basics of the fur trade, the importance of animals like beavers, and how the trade



influenced Canada's economy.

The Métis: People of the Fur Trade by Marilee H. McInnis

This book explores the history of the Métis people and their critical role in the fur trade, detailing their culture and how they became a distinct group in Canadian history.

The Beaver: A Story of the Fur Trade by Barbara Greenwood

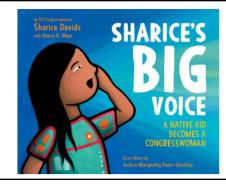
This engaging book is part of a series that introduces young readers to the history of the fur trade through a fictionalized story of a beaver's life and its importance to the fur trade industry.

Fur Trade in the West by Peter Lourie

A great book that offers insights into the westward expansion of the fur trade and its impact on the Indigenous peoples and explorers of Canada.

Citizenship - Understanding local, national and global issues empowers individuals and collective action toward an inclusive society.

LO: Students investigate rights and responsibilities in Canada.



Truth Telling

EPIC Books on Citizenship

Kids Can Press - books on Citizenship

Davids, S., Mays, N. K., & Pawis-Steckley, J. M. (2021). *Sharice's big voice: A native kid becomes a congresswoman*. HarperCollins. <u>Junior Library Guild+12Cedar Falls Public Library+12Gale+12</u>

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"Harriet's Daughter" by Marlene Norfleet

• This novel tells the story of a young girl named Harriet, who becomes involved in the civil rights movement in Canada. It can be a great way to discuss not only individual rights but also how those rights relate to collective responsibilities in society.

"The Kid's Guide to Canadian Citizenship" by Bobbie Kalman

• A fantastic resource for younger students, this guide explains Canadian citizenship and the rights and responsibilities associated with it. It covers topics like voting, respecting the environment, and other important responsibilities tied to Canadian society.

"We Are All Treaty People: Prairie Edition" by The Treaty Education Alliance

• This book is designed to introduce students to the concept of treaties in Canada, highlighting the rights and responsibilities of both Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous settlers. It fosters an understanding of shared responsibilities and rights in a modern Canadian context.

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