

Grade 9 Canadian Geography - CGC 1W1/6

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Welcome to Canadian Geography! During this course you will focus on geographic issues that affect Canadians today. You will draw on your own personal everyday experiences as you learn about Canada's distinct and changing character and the natural and human systems and global influences that shape our country.

Course Outline

Unit	Content, Assessments
1: Geographic Inquiry and Geographic Skills	Geographic inquiry, mapping Canada, types of maps, creating digital maps, creating your own topographic map, GIS technology, latitude/ longitude, time zones
2: Physical Geography	Tectonic plates, geologic timeline, rock cycle, glaciations, landforms, earthquakes, volcanoes, climate/weather, interpreting climographs, creating annotated climate change maps, landform regions, ecozones
3: Human Geography	Demographics, population pyramids, immigration, population growth, multiculturalism, Indigenous Canadians
4: Liveable Cities	Cities, urban development, sustainability, urban sprawl, land use, ecological footprint
5: Natural Resources and Industry	Natural resources, types of industry, farming, fishing, mining, energy
	Culminating

What do you need?

A binder
Writing tools

Coloured pencils
Notebook/lined paper

Ruler

Assessment and Evaluation

You will be given many opportunities for assessment and evaluation including individual and group projects, assignments and projects, oral presentations, tests and quizzes.

70% of the mark = course work completed during the term

30% of the mark = the final exam and the culminating project

Evaluation Breakdown

All assignments/projects/tests/quizzes/presentations etc. will be evaluated according to the guidelines provided by the Ministry of Education. The four categories for evaluating student work are *knowledge*, *application*, *communication*, and *thinking and inquiry*.

Evaluation Category Weight

Knowledge 17.5% Application 17.5% Communication 17.5% Thinking/Inquiry 17.5%

Culminating Activity 15% Final Examination 15%