

# Defining Canada: A Nation CHOOSES

## The 101 Things That Best Define Their Country



### Top 101 Things

1	Maple Leaf (14523)	21	Alexander Graham Bell/Discovery of the telephone	41	Moose/ caribou (764)	61	Snow (349)	81	Good/Friendly/Polite country (249)
2	Hockey (5612)	22	Diversity/ multi-culturalism (1605)	42	Wild life (703)	62	Canada goose (347)	82	Victoria Day (249)
3	Canadian Flag (5417)	23	World War 1 and 2 (1538)	43	Stephen Harper (689)	63	Medical/Scientific/Technical inventions/advancements (341)	83	The Prairies (249)
4	Beaver (5040)	24	Canadian constitution/ Charter of rights/Bill of human rights (1531)	44	Lester Pearson (644)	64	Rene Levesque (336)	84	Discovery of Polio vaccine/Salk vaccine (245)
5	Canadarm (4689)	25	Stanley Cup (1419)	45	Grey Cup (620)	65	Great Lakes (315)	85	Winter (243)
6	Canada Day (4576)	26	Calgary Stampede (1370)	46	Olympics (602)	66	Chateau Frontenac (313)	86	Halifax (243)
7	Peacekeeping/ Peacekeeping by the Canadian Forces (4169)	27	Celine Dion (1239)	47	Expo 67 (596)	67	Immigration/Immigration Policy (306)	87	Queen Elizabeth (242)
8	Pierre Trudeau (4091)	28	Canadian national railway/railroad (1226)	48	Bilingualism in Canada (568)	68	Environmental conservation/concerns (304)	88	Hudson Bay (241)
9	Universal Health Care (3518)	29	Toronto (1178)	49	Vancouver (531)	69	Blue Nose (302)	89	Anne Murray (241)
10	Niagara Falls (3372)	30	Vimy Ridge (1156)	50	Avro Arrow Project (506)	70	Oil (298)	90	Canadian Beer (233)
11	The Rockies/ Rocky Mountains (3005)	31	Plains of Abraham (1154)	51	Democratic nation (499)	71	1972 summit series (295)	91	Pierre Berton (227)
12	Wayne Gretzky (2900)	32	John A MacDonald (1043)	52	Quebec Winter Carnival (490)	72	National Anthem (285)	92	Victoria (227)
13	Parliament Hill (2864)	33	David Suzuki (1040)	53	Banff national park (482)	73	Bombardier/Bombardier products (284)	93	Quebec referenda (225)
14	Ottawa (2716)	34	Montreal (906)	54	Hydroelectricity (468)	74	Montreal Jazz Festival (280)	94	Fleur de lys (221)
15	Frederick Banting/Discovery of insulin (2554)	35	Wilderness (incl. scenery) (895)	55	St Lawrence seaway (450)	75	Jean Chretien (279)	95	National parks (217)
16	RCMP/ Mounties (2511)	36	Tommy Douglas (894)	56	Curling (403)	76	Don Cherry (276)	96	Olympic Stadium (216)
17	CN Tower (2280)	37	Loonie (841)	57	Remembrance Day activities (399)	77	War of 1812 (274)	97	Juno awards (212)
18	Quebec City/Old Quebec City (1965)	38	Freedom (786)	58	Tim Horton's (395)	78	2010 Vancouver winter Olympics (267)	98	Rideau Canal/Skating on Rideau Canal (204)
19	Terry Fox (1901)	39	Quebec (778)	59	Maurice Richard (365)	79	Charlottetown (252)	99	Aid/Help to other countries (203)
20	Confederation (1870)	40	Maple syrup (767)	60	Trans-Canada Highway (350)	80	Repatriation Of Constitution (250)	100	Space explorations/technologies (202)
								101	Canadian election (201)

To arrive at the ranked list of items in order of importance attributed to them by respondents, a points system was used, whereby items ranked as number 1 on the list received ten points, those ranked number 2 received nine points, and so on, with those ranked number 10 on the list receiving just one point. In the end, the points were tallied together, allowing them to be ranked authoritatively from most important to least important.