

Round 1

Canadian cities and towns

In this round of ten questions, you are asked to identify cities and/or provinces and territories in Canada.



1. This city is the capital of Manitoba.
2. The Bow River runs through this major city.
3. The historic Upper Town and Lower Town, together with the ramparts, form a UNESCO World Heritage site in this city.
4. This Ontario city is located on the western shore of Lake Superior.
5. Wapusk and Riding Mountain are national parks located in this province.
6. The “Chocolate Fest” occurs each summer in the town of St. Stephen, in this Atlantic province.
7. Sachs Harbour is the most northerly community in this Canadian territory.
8. The UNESCO World Heritage site of Lunenburg is located in this province.
9. Prince Albert, Kindersley, and Swift Current are all located in this province.
10. In 1896, the discovery of gold near this Yukon city started the Klondike Gold Rush.

Answers

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| 1. Winnipeg | 6. New Brunswick |
| 2. Calgary | 7. Northwest Territories |
| 3. Quebec | 8. Nova Scotia |
| 4. Thunder Bay | 9. Saskatchewan |
| 5. Manitoba | 10. Dawson City |

Round 2

Bird Watching

This round includes ten questions about Canadian birds and their geography.



1. This waterfowl, the provincial bird of Ontario, is featured on Canadian \$1 coins.
2. This large, all black, highly intelligent bird lives in every Canadian province and territory.
3. The Atlantic Puffin is the official bird of this Canadian province.
4. This bright orange and black songbird is mostly found in southern Canada east of the Rocky Mountains.
5. This seabird migrates yearly from Nunavut to Antarctica and back again.
6. During the summer, this scavenger bird soars on air currents over the southern prairies of Canada.
7. Skunks are among the prey of this large carnivorous bird, the provincial bird of Alberta
8. This noisy blue-and-white songbird eats acorns, insects, and cherries, and is the provincial bird of Prince Edward Island.
9. Lac-St-Pierre, Que. is home to more than 1,000 breeding pairs of these large greyish-blue shorebirds, which like to eat small fish and amphibians.
10. Each fall, more than 5 million of these large black, brown and white birds migrate southwards in "V" formations.

Answers

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| 1. (Common) Loon | 6. (turkey) Vulture (buzzard) |
| 2. Raven | 7. Great horned owl |
| 3. Newfoundland & Labrador | 8. Blue Jay |
| 4. (Northern) Oriole | 9. Great Blue Heron |
| 5. Arctic tern | 10. Canada goose |

Round 3

It's on the flag ...

All of the questions in this round are about geographical symbols on flags.



1. This Canadian provincial flag shows the sun setting into the Pacific Ocean.
2. This country's flag shows the sun as a red disc.
3. The temple of Angkor Wat appears on this Southeast Asian country's flag.
4. A large orange prairie lily appears on the green and yellow flag of this Canadian province.
5. This constellation appears on the flag of Australia.
6. This Canadian province's flag shows a galley (ship) at sea.
7. The flag of the Northwest Territories includes a drawing of the head of this animal.
8. The blue, white and green stripes on this Canadian territory's flag represent the lakes and rivers, snow and forests found there.
9. A cedar tree appears on this country's flag.
10. This large prairie animal appears on the flag of Manitoba.

Answers

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| 1. British Columbia | 6. New Brunswick |
| 2. Japan | 7. Fox |
| 3. Cambodia | 8. Yukon |
| 4. Saskatchewan | 9. Lebanon |
| 5. Southern Cross | 10. Bison/Buffalo |

Round 4

Where in the world?

In this round of ten questions, name the country from the list provided. Each country is the answer to only one question.



The possible answers for round #4 are: _____ (*Students should be given this list*) _____

Argentina	Cameroon	India	Mexico	Paraguay
Barbados	Germany	Kuwait	New Zealand	Turkey

- The city of Frankfurt is located in which country?
- Which of these countries was home to the Aztec civilization?
- Which of these countries has the largest population?
- Part of Tierra del Fuego is located in this country.
- This country's capital is the southern most in the world.
- The Bosphorus and Dardanelles straits are located in this country.
- This island country is located in the Caribbean Sea.
- Which of these countries is located in Africa?
- Which of these countries is landlocked?
- Which of these countries is a member of Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and a major producer of petroleum?

Answers

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| 1. Germany | 6. Turkey |
| 2. Mexico | 7. Barbados |
| 3. India | 8. Cameroon |
| 4. Argentina | 9. Paraguay |
| 5. New Zealand | 10. Kuwait |

Round 5

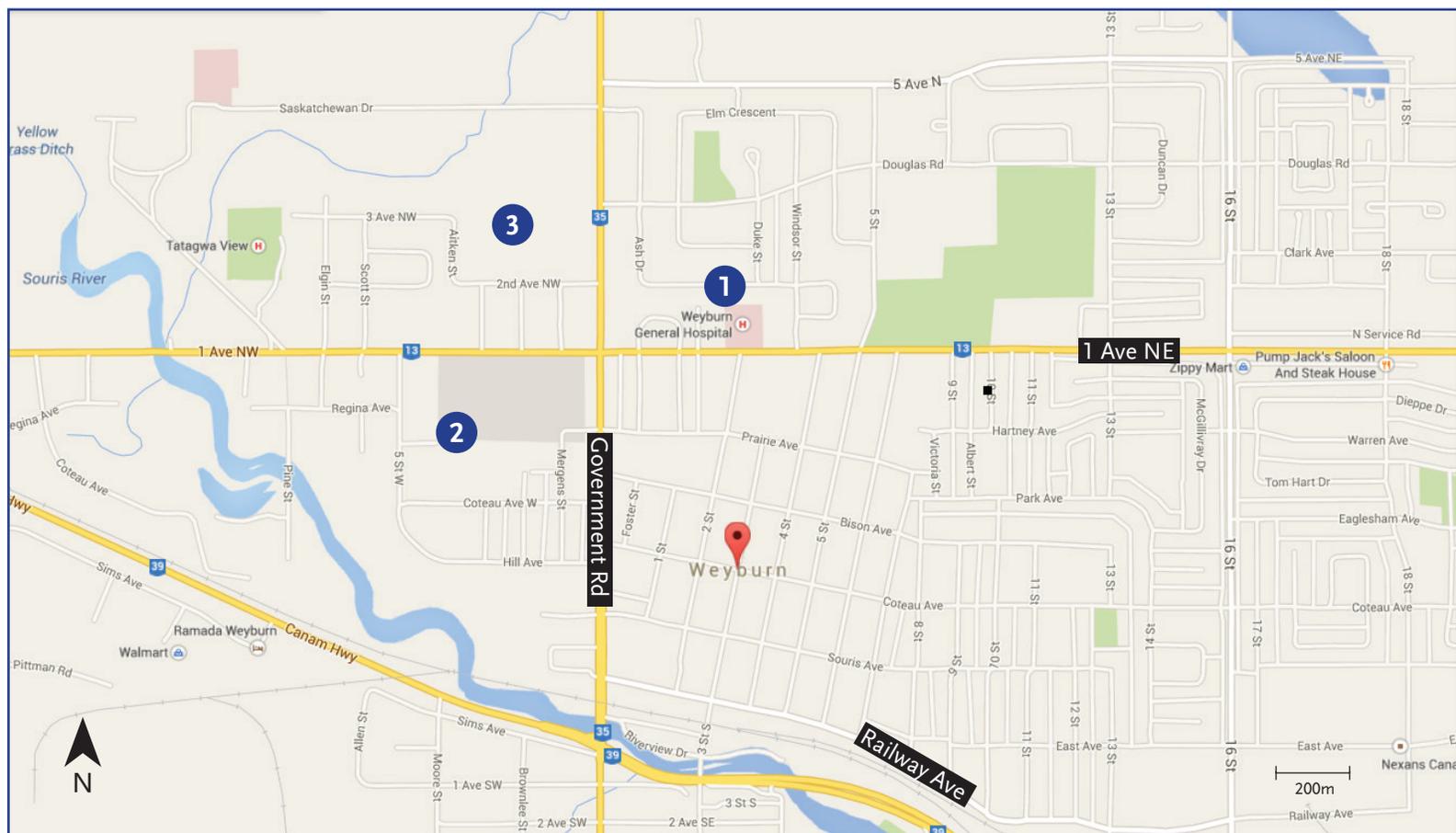
Map exercise

Exploring central Weyburn, Saskatchewan

This round of questions will test students' map reading skills. Students must refer to the map. The map has all the information needed to answer the questions.



Weyburn, SK



LEGEND

1. Weyburn General Hospital
2. Weyburn Colosseum and Sports Arena
3. Weyburn Comprehensive School (49.67, -103.86)

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1. Find the arrow marking north. What direction are you traveling if you walk from Weyburn General Hospital to the Weyburn Colosseum and Sports Arena?
a) NW b) SW c) NE d) SE
2. What is the distance from 1st Ave NE to Railway Ave along Government Road?
a) 850 metres b) 1,230 metres c) 420 metres d) 2,080 metres
3. About how far is it from the Weyburn Colosseum and Sports Arena to Weyburn Comprehensive School?
a) 0.31 km b) 1.20 km c) 0.50 km d) 1.30 km
4. Is Weyburn Comprehensive School closer to the North Pole or to the Equator?
North Pole
5. Is Weyburn Comprehensive School closer to the International Date Line or to the Prime Meridian?
International Date Line
6. What geomorphic feature, formed by the Souris River, is present near Coteau Ave W?
a) Esker b) Waterfall c) Terrace d) Lake

Answers

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| 1. b) SW | 4. North Pole |
| 2. a) 850 metres | 5. International Date Line |
| 3. c) 0.50 km | 6. Lake |

Round 6

Eating and Drinking Geography

This round of questions deals with foods or drinks.



1. The names of these popular dishes, lasagna, bologna, and spaghetti are associated with this European country.
2. Originating from Mexico but now grown around the world, these long, thin beans are used to flavour white ice cream.
3. This grain is the most widely consumed food in Asia.
4. Couscous, made of semolina wheat and often steamed, is a traditional food in the city of Casablanca, in this country.
5. This drink came from eastern North America where it was often made by grinding up the roots of the sassafras plant.
6. Stingless honeybees are kept as pets by descendants of the Maya in the Yucatan Peninsula of this country.
7. The peach tree originated in this country, currently the world's largest producer of peaches.
8. Per person, residents of Finland are the some of the greatest consumers of this beverage worldwide.
9. This leafy green salad vegetable originated in the Mediterranean.
10. This vegetable, originally from Peru and southern Bolivia, can be served baked, boiled, mashed, fried, or as chips.

Answers

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| 1. Italy | 6. México |
| 2. Vanilla | 7. China |
| 3. Rice | 8. Coffee |
| 4. Morocco | 9. Lettuce |
| 5. Root beer | 10. Potato |

Round 7

Water

All the questions in this round are about water.



1. This small Canadian province is completely surrounded by the Gulf of St. Lawrence.
2. Which strait connects the Pacific Ocean and Arctic Ocean?
3. This great species is the largest predatory fish living anywhere on planet Earth.
4. The Adriatic and Ionian Seas are parts of this larger sea.
5. Approximately 60% of Canada's fresh water drains in one direction. Is it north, south, east, or west?
6. Lake Nipigon drains into this great lake.
7. This warm ocean current flows from south to north along the East Coast of North America.
8. This instrument is used to measure the humidity in air.
9. This snake, the biggest in the world by weight, lives in swamps and marshes in South America.
10. Which river is the outlet for Lake Winnipeg?

Answers

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| 1. Prince Edward Island | 6. Lake Superior |
| 2. Bering Strait | 7. Gulf Stream |
| 3. Great White Shark | 8. Hygrometer |
| 4. Mediterranean | 9. Anaconda |
| 5. North | 10. Nelson |

Round 8

World Cities

All of the questions in this round of ten questions are about cities outside Canada.



1. This large city located in the United States on Lake Michigan is noted for its windy days.
2. St. Paul's Cathedral and Big Ben are landmarks located in this city.
3. This city, the largest in Australia, is the capital of the state of New South Wales.
4. The "Gran Torre" the tallest building in South America, is located in this Chilean city.
5. Built on seven islands, this Indian port city is located on the Arabian Sea.
6. Caracas is the largest city in this oil-exporting South American country.
7. This city is the capital of Philippines.
8. This city in the Pacific Northwest of the United States is known as the City of Roses.
9. Dakar is the capital of this African country.
10. The Eiffel Tower is a landmark in this large city in France.

Answers

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| 1. Chicago | 6. Venezuela |
| 2. London | 7. Manila |
| 3. Sydney | 8. Portland |
| 4. Santiago | 9. Senegal |
| 5. Mumbai | 10. Paris |

School Championships



Note to Teacher: This ends the Preliminary Competition at the classroom level. At this point students will have had an opportunity to answer as many as 86 questions. Scores should be tallied and the student with the highest score is declared the winner of the preliminary competition.

If there is a tie for any place, announce the following tie-breaking procedure: “Note that there may be a tie among the top three students but that this will not change the procedure. If one student gives the correct answer and the other two do not, the successful competitor becomes the school winner and the other competitors continue to determine second place. Similarly, if only one student misses a tiebreaker question, he or she becomes the third place finisher and the two winners continue until one or the other is a clear winner.”

The teacher should announce the names of the students who will go on to the Final Competition.

Final Championship Round

The Finalists should be seated facing the Quiz leader, provided with sheets of paper and felt-tip pens, and arranged so that they may not see each others written responses.

Instructions to Finalists

Teacher says: Congratulations to our finalists. The purpose of the championship round is to determine first, second, and third places in the Challenge.

All competitors will begin with a clean slate. The championship round consists of twenty-five (25) questions. All of you will answer all the questions. You will be given 20 seconds to write your answer. I will then ask you to hold up your answer and, in turn, to read it aloud. All of you will hold up your answers at the same time. Whoever answers the most questions correctly will be declared the Champion, the second most number the runner-up and so on. If there is a tie for the top three positions, I will explain the tiebreaker procedure at that time.



Here are the questions:

1. What city is Manitoba's second largest city by population?
Brandon
2. True or False: the Danube River drains into the Black Sea.
True
3. Which city is the capital of Portugal?
Lisbon
4. Gros Morne National Park is located in this province.
Newfoundland & Labrador
5. Massasauga rattlesnakes are native to this Canadian province.
Ontario
6. The Coral Sea is part of this ocean.
Pacific Ocean
7. Rheas are a bird native to this continent.
South America
8. Which colours are used on the flag of Denmark?
Red and White
9. The island of Grand Cayman is located in this sea.
Caribbean Sea
10. True or false: Mount Fuji is a volcano.
True
11. The archaeological site of Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump is located in which province?
Alberta
12. This city is the most northern port in Ontario.
Moosonee



13. This small landlocked country is bordered by Cambodia and Vietnam.
Lao (or Laos)
14. Which direction would you travel to go from Val d'Or (Quebec) to Peterborough (Ontario)? South
15. A barometer is used to measure this.
Atmospheric pressure
16. The 'Vimy Ridge National Historic Site' commemorates a battle from this war.
First World War
17. Which city is the capital of Japan?
Tokyo
18. Forillon National Park is located in this province.
Quebec
19. Mount Logan, Canada's tallest mountain, is found in this province or territory
Yukon
20. In July 2014, flooding along the Assiniboine River caused damage in this province.
Manitoba
21. The Great Wall is found in this country.
China
22. This bird of prey usually nests on cliffs, and can dive at 320 kilometres per hour.
Peregrine falcon
23. The Cliffs of Moher overlook the Atlantic Ocean in County Clare, in this country.
Ireland
24. Mozambique Channel separates Mozambique from this large island country.
Madagascar
25. The mountains found along Quebec's Gaspé Peninsula form the northern tip of Appalachian range are known as the...
Chic Chocs



Note to Quiz leader: At this time scores are tallied and the student with the greatest number of correct questions is declared the school or classroom champion. If there is a tie for the top three places, hold a tie-breaker using the following questions.

Tiebreaker Questions

Teacher says: We will now begin the tie-breaking procedure. The tiebreaker is a single elimination process. Each competitor will answer each question as before but a missed answer will mean elimination unless the other competitor(s) also miss(es) the question. In that case we will continue to the next question until a clear winner is found.

Tie-Breakers

1. About 10% of this fully-independent European country is covered by glacial ice.
Iceland
2. Which river flows through Edmonton?
North Saskatchewan
3. Which city is the capital of North Korea?
Pyongyang
4. What are the colours of the flag of Russia?
Blue, red, white
5. What does the Saffir-Simpson scale measure?
Hurricane strength
6. The River Shannon is the longest river in this country.
Ireland
7. Which city is the capital of Costa Rica?
San Jose
8. This isthmus connects Malaysia and Thailand.
Isthmus of Kra
9. This term is used to describe vegetation that can tolerate very dry conditions.
Xerophytic



10. Tahiti is an “overseas country” associated with this European country.
France
11. Lesotho is completely surrounded by this country.
(Republic of) South Africa
12. 110°W longitude forms part of the eastern boundary of:
Alberta
13. This is the highest mountain in South America.
Aconcagua
14. The Anguille Mountains are located in this province.
Newfoundland & Labrador
15. According to Natural Resources Canada, what is the length of Canada’s coastline?
240, 000 kilometres

(Closest answer wins.)

This ends the tiebreaker questions.