

Canada's Cultural Identity

As a country, we also have an identity. In Canada we:

- Welcome people of all backgrounds
- Have a government that promotes and encourages people to share their cultures; and welcomes new immigrants from around the world
- Honour tolerance, fairness, modesty, informality, inclusivity and acceptance
- Are a peacekeeping nation
- Give foreign aid to countries in need

How do we do this?

1. Our constitution (specifically Charter of Rights and Freedoms)
2. Our laws protect individual, cultural rights
3. Government has Minister of Diversity, Inclusion and Persons with Disabilities and Minister of Canadian Heritage
4. A high immigration rate (one in five Canadians are 1st or 2nd generation immigrants)
5. Multiculturalism Policy of Canada emphasizes that Canadians can maintain their cultural identities while fully participating in Canadian society.
6. By joining UN peacekeeping missions and offering money to countries in need

Canadian culture differs from other countries. Within your group, each person will pick one country to research and compare to Canada. There must be at least one country from Africa, Asia and Oceania included.

Research the following categories for your country:

- Food
- values
- religion
- music
- customs
- traditions
- clothing

As a group, decide how you will present your Country Culture Comparison. You must include:

1. A world map with the countries labeled and colored.
2. Visuals (determine where they will be most impactful)
3. A list of sources used (websites, books, etc.)

Below Expectations	Meeting or Above Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
	Content Information is accurate and sufficient. Labeled map is included.	
	Presentation Information is easy to follow. Visuals are included in a meaningful, helpful way.	
	Citizenship Group was productive and used class time well.	

Each person must choose one country from this list. Canada's culture will be discussed and recorded as a class and must also be included in the presentation.

Africa (56 countries)

1. Democratic Republic of the Congo - Kinshasa
2. Egypt - Cairo
3. Ethiopia - Addis Ababa
4. Kenya - Nairobi
5. Libya - Tripoli
6. Madagascar - Antananarivo
7. Mali - Bamako
8. Namibia - Windhoek
9. Nigeria - Abuja
10. Senegal - Dakar
11. Tanzania - Dodoma
12. Uganda - Kampala

Asia (48 countries)

1. Afghanistan - Kabul
2. Bangladesh - Dhaka
3. China - Beijing
4. India - New Delhi
5. Indonesia - Jakarta
6. Iran - Tehran
7. Israel - Tel Aviv
8. Japan - Tokyo
9. Pakistan - Islamabad
10. The Philippines - Manila
11. Saudi Arabia - Riyadh
12. Thailand - Bangkok
13. Turkey - Ankara

Oceania (14 countries)

1. Australia - Canberra
2. New Caledonia - Noumea
3. New Guinea – Port Moresby
4. New Zealand - Wellington
5. Fiji - Suva
6. Kiribati - South Tarawa
7. Tonga – Nuku'alofa