The Learning Centre
Educational Resources
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/

Elementary
Intermediate
Secondary

Library and Archives Canada
Bibliothèque et Archives Canada
PIKA: Canadian Children’s Literature Database
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pika/
Subjects: Language arts, literacy
Resources: A searchable database for Canadian children’s literature, with summaries of books and recommendations for age group and reading level

Read Up On It
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/read-up-on-it/
Subjects: Language arts, literacy
Resources: An annual selection of Canadian books for young readers searchable by name and title

TD Summer Reading Club
www.td-club-td.ca
An annual summer reading program designed to encourage literacy, featuring books on various themes
Resources: An activity package for schoolchildren, interactive games, library and school partnerships, suggested book lists, videos and DVDs organized by age group and genre

Page by Page: Creating a Children’s Book
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pagebypage/
Subjects: Language arts, literacy
About: Creating and illustrating a children’s book
Resources: Bookmaking activities

Canadian Directories: Who Was Where
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canadiandirectories/
Themes: Exploration and settlement
Subjects: History, social studies, geography
About: Historical Canadian communities since 1790
Resources: Classroom activities

The Kids’ Site of Canadian Settlement
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/settlement/kids/
Themes: Exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoples
Subjects: History, technology, language arts
About: The history of Aboriginal peoples and settlement groups in Canada
Resources: A complete teaching unit and six interactive games
Elementary
Ages 4 to 11

Four Kings and One Queen
www.portraits.gc.ca/009001-3101-e.html
Themes: Notable people, the arts
Subjects: Visual arts, history, language arts
About: The Four Indian Kings portraits
Resources: Classroom activities

Images Canada
www.imagescanada.ca
A searchable database of 131,000 images relating to Canadian people, places and events
Resources: Two complete teaching units and classroom activities

Canadian Genealogy Centre
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/022-400-e.html
Themes: Genealogy and family history
Subjects: Social studies, history
About: Genealogical resources in Canada
Resources: Lesson plans, activities and games
The Kids’ Site of Canadian Trains
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/trains/kids/
Themes: Exploration and settlement, politics and government, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: History, geography, language arts, mathematics
About: The railway and the development of Canada
Resources: Classroom activities

Passageways
True Tales of Adventure for Young Explorers
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/explorers/kids/
Themes: Exploration and settlement
Subjects: Social studies, language arts
About: Canadian explorers from the 11th to the 20th century
Resources: A complete teaching unit

The Virtual Gramophone
Canadian Historical Sound Recordings
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/gramophone/
Themes: The arts, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: Music, visual arts, language arts
About: Historical music recordings and biographies of musicians
Resources: Classroom activities

Beyond the Letters: A Retrospective of Canadian Alphabet Books
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/abc/
Subjects: Language arts, literacy
About: The history of Canadian alphabet books
Resources: Classroom alphabet activities
The Evidence Web
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/sources/
A database of primary sources on Aboriginal peoples, disasters and phenomena, exploration and settlement, genealogy, government and politics, landscape, notable people, sports, the arts, war and military
Resources: Complete teaching units and a student tool kit

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First Among Equals: The Prime Minister in Canadian Life and Politics
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/primeministers/kids/
Themes: Politics and government, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: History, social studies, civics, language arts
About: The lives of Canada’s prime ministers
Resources: Classroom activities

Through a Lens
Dieppe in Photography and Film
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/dieppe/
Themes: War and military
Subjects: History, social studies
About: Photos, newsreels, rare film footage captured from Germany
Resources: Classroom activities

Canadian Olympians
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/olympians/
A database of more than 10,000 images relating to Canada’s Olympians
Themes: Sports, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts, visual arts
Resources: Classroom activities and games
Files of the Northwest Mounted Police
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/nwmp-pcno/
Themes: Exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoples, Canadian government
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Personal stories and service records of young recruits to the Northwest Mounted Police
Resources: Classroom activities and critical thinking challenges

The Diary of William Lyon Mackenzie King
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/king/
Themes: Politics and government, notable people, war and military
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Exploring the life and diary of Canada’s longest serving prime minister
Resources: Two complete teaching units

Confederation for Kids
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/confederation/kids/
Themes: Politics and government, notable people
Subjects: History, social studies
About: The shaping of Canada and Confederation
Resources: Classroom activities

ArtVenture: A Collector’s Challenge
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/art/
Themes: The arts
Subjects: Visual arts, history, language arts
About: A virtual visit to an art shop in London, England to collect Canadian art
Resources: Classroom activities

Canadian Mail Order Catalogues
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/mailorder/
Themes: Exploration and settlement
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Mail order catalogues and early Canadian communities
Resources: Classroom activities
Intermediate (Ages 12 to 14)

The Virtual Gramophone
Canadian Historical Sound Recordings
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/gramophone/
Themes: The arts, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: Music, visual arts, language arts
About: Historical music recordings and biographies of musicians
Resources: Classroom activities

Bon Appétit!
A Celebration of Canadian Cookbooks
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/cuisine/
Themes: Exploration and settlement
Subjects: Social studies, science, language arts
About: Culinary traditions of early settlers and indigenous peoples
Resources: Four subthemes and nineteen classroom activities

Backcheck: Hockey for Kids
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/hockey/kids/
Themes: Sports and leisure, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: History, media awareness, language arts, social studies
About: Rare documents relating to hockey and the historic development of the sport
Resources: Classroom activities

Life of a Rock Star
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/rock/
Themes: Exploration and settlement, notable people and accomplishments
Subjects: Geology, geography, history, social studies
About: The Geological Survey of Canada
Resources: Classroom activities
Cool Canada
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/cool/
Themes: Notable people and accomplishments, disasters and phenomena
Subjects: Social studies, language arts
About: Inventions, phenomena, places and people of Canada
Resources: Classroom activities

SOS! Canadian Disasters
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sos/
Themes: Disasters and phenomena
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Disasters that changed Canadian society and communities
Resources: A complete teaching unit

Sheet Music from Canada’s Past
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sheetmusic/
Themes: The arts
Subjects: Visual arts, music, language arts
About: Historical Canadian sheet music and album covers with a searchable database
Resources: Classroom activities

Expo 67: Man and His World
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/expo/
Themes: Notable people and accomplishments, sports and leisure
Subjects: Language arts, history, social studies, science
About: The historic world fair in Montréal
Resources: Fourteen classroom activities
LAC Forum on Canadian Democracy
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/democracy/
Themes: Politics and government
Subjects: Civics, history, social studies
About: The study and discussion of Canada’s democratic system
Resources: Complete teaching units and classroom activities

The Canadian State: Documents and Dialogue
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canadian-state/
Themes: Politics and government
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Historic departmental documents of the Canadian government
Resources: A complete election teaching unit

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About: The lives of Canada’s prime ministers
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Lest We Forget
First World War Cenotaph Research
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/cenotaphresearch/
Themes: War and military, notable people
Subjects: History, social studies
About: Research into the lives and military experience of First World War soldiers using original historic records
Resources: A complete teaching unit

Under a Northern Star
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/northern-star/
Themes: Exploration and settlement, multiculturalism, notable people
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Black communities in Canada and understanding social change through people and places
Resources: A complete teaching unit

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Resources: Classroom activities

Canada and the First World War
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/education/firstworldwar/
Themes: War and military, politics and government
Subjects: History, social studies, civics
About: Those who served in the war and the effects of the war on society
Resources: Classroom activities

Celebrating Women’s Achievements
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/women/
Themes: Notable people, politics and government
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: The lives and accomplishments of Canadian women
Resources: Classroom activities

Tales from the Vault!
Canadian Pulp Fiction, 1940–1952
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/pulp/
Themes: Literature, the arts
Subjects: Language arts, creative writing, social studies
About: The Canadian pulp art and fiction collection
Resources: A complete teaching unit

Canadian Writers
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/writers/
Themes: Literature, the arts
Subjects: Language arts, literature, creative writing
About: A manuscript gallery and overview of famous Canadian writers
Resources: A complete teaching unit
A Nation’s Chronicle: The Canada Gazette
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canada-gazette/
Themes: Politics and government, exploration and settlement, Aboriginal peoples
Subjects: Civics, history, social studies, language arts
About: Canada’s official journal and database covering issues from the 1800s onward
Resources: Complete teaching units on the Canada Gazette and historic sources, the democratic process, the Irish potato famine, SARS, and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway

Susanna Moodie and Catharine Parr Traill
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/moodie-traill/
Themes: Literature, notable people, exploration and settlement
Subjects: History, social studies, language arts
About: Manuscript collections and biographies of authors Moodie and Traill
Resources: Classroom activities

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Resources: Classroom activities

Project Naming
www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/inuit/
Themes: Aboriginal peoples, the arts, notable people
Subjects: Language arts, social studies, visual arts, photography
About: Exploring the stories behind the photographs of Inuit people
Resources: Classroom activities

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