



Grade 5

# Social Studies



## **Early Canada**

European explorers began arriving in Canada as early as 800 CE. The first Europeans came from Scandinavia, England, and France. When they first arrived, the Europeans faced many challenges, such as adjusting to a new lifestyle and adapting to the cold climate. However, they also received help from the First Peoples in Canada.



• horses to travel faster and greater distances

Europeans

The Fur Trade was established between the Europeans and the First Peoples. The Europeans gave the First Peoples metal tools and

the First Peoples gave them animal pelts to take back to Europe.

However, the Fur Trade ultimately led to overhunting which negatively affected the animal population and the food supply of the First Peoples.



## **Government of Canada**

The Canadian Government has three levels: the federal government, the provincial government, and the municipal government.





Canada's health care system provides services on the basis of need rather than the ability to pay. Through taxes, the values of fairness and equity are demonstrated by sharing health care resources.



### Water Management

The federal government conserves and protects water resources. The provincial government governs water quality and sanitation. The municipal government delivers safe drinking water.



### Transportation

Transportation is a joint responsibility of all three levels of government. The federal government is in charge of interprovincial transportation, the provincial government is in charge of intra-provincial transportation, and the municipal government is in charge of urban transportation.



The federal government is trying to reduce the homeless problem by funding different social programs and services. The provincial and municipal governments are responsible for the implementation of the programs.



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