

Unit 5 Study Guide

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Directions: Complete the following questions using the resources found in your social studies notebook. As long as you make the attempt and complete the entire study guide, you will earn 5 extra points on your test. DUE: January 30th, 2019 (the day of the test).

1. Which physical feature connects the Atlantic Ocean to one of the Great Lakes? **The St. Lawrence River**
2. What mountain range runs from north to south through Canada and continues down into the United States? **The Rocky Mountains**
3. Which ocean is found off of Canada's western coast? **The Pacific Ocean**
4. Which physical feature is wrapped around the Hudson Bay and provides mineral resources for Canada? **The Canadian Shield**
5. In which province located on the eastern side of Canada did French settlers first arrive? **Quebec**
6. Canada is the largest country in the western hemisphere, but has a population 3 times smaller than Mexico and 9 times smaller than the U.S. What main factor contributes to this? **Canada's climate is harsh and difficult to live in the further north you go.**
7. 90% of Canadians live within 100 miles of the border shared with the U.S. What factors cause so many people to live so close to that border? (Hint: there are 3) **The climate is subarctic and harsh throughout most of Canada, except for the south, there is more trade to be found with the U.S., and there is available farmland near the border as well.**
8. Name some of the natural resources found in the Canadian Shield. **Iron ore, nickel, zinc, copper, gold, lead, diamonds, and silver.**
9. Define the term "permafrost". **When the soil in an area stays permanently frozen.**
10. Define the term "drought". **A prolonged period of dryness.**
11. Define the term "tundra". **It is a treeless plain in an Arctic region where little vegetation grows.**
12. What are the environmental issues in Canada? (Hint: there are 4) **They are acid rain, pollution of the Great Lakes, mining in the Canadian Shield, and clear-cutting in Canada's forests.**
13. What are some solutions to the following environmental issues:
Acid Rain: **Canada has passed laws to limit pollution (answers may vary after that)**
Pollution of the Great Lakes: **The Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement was signed in 1971 to restore the lakes and prevent future damage**
Mining in the Canadian Shield: **The government has made new laws about mining, reducing the amount of pollution allowed into the waterways**
Clear-cutting Canada's Forests: **Hundreds of millions of seeds are planted each year, billions of dollars are spent managing and protecting the forests, and money spent each year to protect wildlife and their habitat**
14. What are Canada's two official languages? **French and English**
15. When did French settlers first arrive in Canada and what did they call their first permanent settlement? **They arrived in the 1600s and called their first establishment Quebec.**
16. Define the term "sovereign". **Has control over its own affairs and is not controlled by another country.**
17. What were the three main reasons that people from Quebec wanted their independence from the rest of Canada? **1. French Canadians were afraid that their culture and language would disappear. 2. They were tired of feeling like second class citizens in their own country. 3. They wanted to be their own country, separate from Canada.**
18. What was the result of the vote for Quebec's independence? **It was extremely close, but the vote ended in favor of Quebec remaining a part of Canada.**

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19. What are some ways that the French in Quebec are achieving equality? **The Canadian government has passed laws to preserve French language and culture, the Constitution Act made Canada bilingual, and French is the official language.**
20. What type of government does Canada have and who is its leader? **Parliamentary democracy and their leader is the prime minister.**
21. In Canada, a citizen must be how old to vote? **They must be 18 years old.**
22. Who do citizens vote for in Canada's government? **Citizens vote for members of Parliament.**
23. What type of economic system does Canada have and who answers the three economic questions in the country? **Canada has a mixed economic system and individuals and corporations answer the three economic questions.**
24. What are the key functions of NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement)? **Eliminating tariffs, removing restrictions on investments, removing customs barriers at border crossings, establishing tough standards for environmental, health, and safety regulations, and improving working conditions.**
25. What is a positive and a negative effect of NAFTA? (Any of the following answers are valid)

Positives:

- **Free trade increases sales and profits for Mexico, Canada and the U.S., thus strengthening their economies.**
- **Lack of tariffs has allowed Mexico to sell its goods in the USA and Canada at lower prices.**
- **This makes Mexican products more competitive in these markets and increases Mexico's profits as it tries to develop its economy.**
- **Free trade is an opportunity for the U.S. to provide financial help to Mexico by making jobs available in factories located there.**

Negatives:

- **Free trade has caused more U.S. job losses than gains, especially for higher-wage jobs.**
- **People work for lower wages and there are fewer labor regulations in Mexico, so American factories have moved across the border.**
- **Factories, called maquiladoras, are built on the Mexican border and workers are hired there to make goods at a much lower wage than workers would be paid in the U.S.**
- **Mexico does not have as strict environmental regulations as Canada & U.S., so when factories move across the border, they are contributing to North America's pollution problem.**
- **Some argue that our borders should be open like the EU does in Europe, while others feel the borders should be closed.**