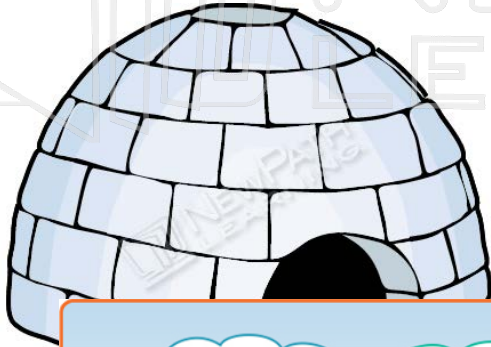# CANADA

Canada has a rich history of being home to many **aboriginal** peoples, including Indian tribes and the Inuit. When European explorers began to reach Canada, they found a land rich in resources and began to settle in this area of North America.

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In the 14th and 15th centuries, French settlements were established in what we know as Canada today. Given the name *New France*, places such as **Quebec City** and **Newfoundland** became permanent settlements. The French eventually fell under British control but they were allowed to continue practicing many of their cultural traditions and beliefs.

When Canada finally became a **federation**, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, and Quebec entered into the union. From 1867 to 1949, 6 provinces also entered the Confederation, creating the **ten Canadian provinces** that make up the nation today.

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