A Kids' Guide to Canada – By Kids and For Kids Un guide du Canada -par les jeunes et pour les jeunes





A Kids' Guide to Canada is a free teacher-led literacy and social studies project that invites all K-8 classes across the country to share their local neighbourhood communities with their peers across our many geographic, cultural, and linguistic differences. The guide itself is an <u>interactive map of Canada</u> containing original student content introducing the land and people of the areas in which they live, providing students with an exciting and authentic purpose for learning: all content must be created BY children and <u>FOR</u> children!

Mission & Goals

The mission of the Kids' Guide project is to help K-8 classes meet, connect, and learn with other classes from coast to coast to coast. In doing so, the Kids' Guide project aims to help students develop greater intercultural understanding, empathy, and respect for all those who live in this vast country we now call Canada.

Free Programs and Activities for Students and Teachers

In 2021-2022, the Kids' Guide project is offering the free activities below. Once registered in the project, teachers will receive email notifications and information about the timing and content of each activity.

- Put Your Class ON the Map: extensive resources to guide and assist in this process
- Circles of Friendship: Canada Jays Connecting Classes Across Canada
- Circles of Learning: AKGTC Helping Teachers find partners for their own class activities
- Special Activities: Free National Student Webcasts, Mystery Class Challenges, etc.
- **PD Sessions** for Teachers:
 - o How to Put Your Class on the Map (single session or a 5-session series)
 - o Tips and Tricks for Effective Connected Learning
 - o How to Use Cool tools like Survey123 to create Story Maps

How to Get Started

- 1. Visit http://akgtcanada.com/ and read about the project in either English or French
- Click on "Teacher Registration" to register your class for the Kids' Guide project and to access the
 extensive activity and learning resources located inside the teachers' Private Participant Section
 of the website. ** Note: there are no student accounts in this project.
- 3. Check your email for notifications as each activity is opened and sign your class up for those that suit your needs.
- 4. Follow @akgtcanada on Twitter or A Kids' Guide to Canada on Facebook.

Contact us to learn more and get your students involved!