

Canadian Historical Geography #2

1. The first European people to create a settlement in what is now Canada were neither English nor French. Who were they or where did they come from?
2. What is the name given to the original peoples of Canada's Arctic?
3. Voyageurs were important workers in this early Canadian industry. Name the industry.
4. The goal of many of the early explorers of Canada was to find the "North West Passage". To what country were the explorers trying to find a passage?
5. Name the most important water gateway into Canada that was available to early European explorers.
6. Which of the two groups of Native Peoples of Canada was found in eastern Canada — the Mohawks (MOH HOKS) or the Haida (HYE duh)?
7. In 1749 Britain established the port of Halifax in order to offset the presence of a large French fort nearby. The fort has been restored and is now a popular tourist site. Name the fort.
8. The first great migration of settlers into Ontario did not come from either England or France. From what country did they come?
9. Which part of Canada was explored by Captain James Cook in 1778?
10. In 1869 the government of Canada bought the area known as Rupert's Land from the company that owned it. What was the name of the company?

ANSWERS:

1. Vikings, from Scandinavia (accept Norway, Sweden or Denmark although they did not exist at that time)
2. Inuit (or Innu)
3. the fur trade
4. China
5. St. Lawrence River
6. Mohawks
7. Louisbourg
8. United States
9. The coast of British Columbia (or west coast)
10. Hudson's Bay Company