



Canadian Communities – How To Use this Unit

The activities in this unit are intended to be used sequentially. However, activities can be omitted or their order can be changed at a teacher's discretion.

Activity 1 – How big is Canada?

Open the activity by clicking the *Start Activity* link. This activity works on the basis of comparing how long it takes to drive a car across a city, a province and a country in order to demonstrate how large our country really is. Ask students how long they think it takes to drive a car across a city. Then click the appropriate button to see how correct they were. Repeat this with driving across a Province and across Canada.

Activity 2 – Basic Needs in Different Places

Open the link by clicking the *Start Activity* button. This activity explores how people in different places have the same basic needs but meet them in different ways depending on where they live. Follow the instructions across the top of the screen. The activity will allow for a classroom discussion about why each region traditionally eats different foods, wears different clothing and lives in different structures.

Activity 3 – More Basic Needs in Different Places

Open the link by clicking the *Start Activity* button. This activity is exactly the same as Activity 2, but with wrong choices provided as well. This will allow for classroom discussions about why certain items are not traditionally found in Canada and how much our current lives are affected by international trade.