Canada Vignettes: The Maple Leaf
NF19069 Digitized Video
1 min PJ 1978 National Film Board of Canada
The maple leaf of the flag turns into two profiles that illustrate the many relationships between people.
No Other Versions Available

Elections In Canada
75597 DVD
21 min JI 2011 A-V Discovery
This program presents to elementary students a complete and easy to understand overview of our Federal Election Process. It explains why we have elections and their importance in our parliamentary democracy. It covers terms such as constituencies, candidates, party platforms, differing political parties, political literature, voting patterns, polls, types of elections, voters lists, enumeration, ballots and much more.
No Other Versions Available

Introduction to the House of Commons
73848 DVD
10 min JI 2004 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
Filmed on location in Ottawa, this video offers an overview of the grandeur, importance and relevance of Canada’s Parliament, with a specific focus on the House of Commons. Students will gain insight into the role of Members of Parliament with a specific focus on the House of Commons. The video combines an upbeat tour of the House of Commons with an interactive quiz featuring Canadian celebrities.
No Other Versions Available

The Legacy of Residential Schools in Canada
77254 DVD
30 min JIS 2016 McIntyre Films
This program examines the history, legacy and current impacts of the Residential School experience in Canada. From the establishment of the early Residential Schools to the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, this film shines a light into this dark chapter of Canadian history. Written and directed by multiple award winning Métis filmmaker Matt LeMay, this poignant documentary features interviews with Phil Fontaine, Shawn Atleo, Dr. Marie Wilson, Dr. Mike Degagne, and Martha Marsden.
No Other Versions Available

Let’s Learn About Federal Government - Our Laws and Rights
75542 DVD
19 min J 2011 McIntyre Films
Continuing with our natural disaster theme, the federal agency Environment Canada is developing a new Doppler radar system to help detect tornadoes. From here, our two young students delve into the function and responsibilities of Canada’s federal government. We learn about the following: Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches of Government; Democracy; Monarchy; Parliamentary System; House of Commons, Senate, Prime Minister; Governor General; Cabinet Ministers; Speaker of the House; Political Party; Assembly of the First Nations.
No Other Versions Available

Let’s Learn About Local & Provincial/Territorial Government
75541 DVD
21 min J 2011 McIntyre Films
A tornado has wreaked havoc on a small Canadian town. With the help of their teacher, Ms. Murphy, Jack and Jill learn about the responsibilities and structure of their local and provincial governments. Students also learn ways in which government and the responsibilities of citizenship directly affect their own lives. Some of the other things students will learn about: Mayor, councilors, municipal, county and regional government, Premier, Cabinet, legislature, Lieutenant Governor, Government, Opposition, Speaker, Consensus System of Government.
No Other Versions Available

Local and Provincial Governments Working Together
74844 DVD
37 min J 2004 National Film Board
This DVD explores the relationships between various levels of government and how they handle funding and issues crossing jurisdictional boundaries. The video features a case study, showing how individuals can influence local government. When two young people discover that a local green space is slated for a condo development, they organize their neighbours, bring their concerns to their councillor and attend a council meeting.
No Other Versions Available

Our Parliament
74874 DVD
15 min J 2003 A-V Discovery
This dvd is designed to assist students in Grades 4 to 6 in understanding Canada’s federal government and how our parliamentary democracy functions. The video is easy to follow and very thorough. It covers such topics as Types of Governments; Political Parties; Elections; our Constitution; Legislation; House of Commons; Senate; Governor General; Speaker of the House; Prime Minister; Cabinet; Official Opposition; Pages and much more.
No Other Versions Available

Provincial & Territorial Symbols of Canada
75180 DVD
65 min J 2008 McIntyre Films
This video covers the official symbols and emblems for each of the 13 provinces and territories of Canada. Included are the motto provincial/territorial flag, coat of arms, flower, bird, and tree. In addition, students are given a brief, yet interesting introduction into the history and/ or geography of their province. Each 5 minute segment is concluded with a fun “Did You Know’ fact. All programs are hosted by young students aged 7 to 16. They give you background information on each particular symbol, it’s history, why and when it was chosen.
No Other Versions Available

Symbols of Canada
75181 DVD
20 min J 2008 McIntyre Films
In this program, you will examine the following symbols that are representative of Canada, its provinces and territories: the Canadian flag, the maple leaf, the maple tree, the coat of arms, the parliament buildings, our national colours, the mace, the beaver, our national sports, hockey and lacrosse, Canadian horses, the North West Mounted Police, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Canadian national anthem. Students will learn why and how these specific icons were proclaimed as national symbols. The program explores the history of each, the historical or current figures involved in the selection of each and the meaning behind each symbol.
No Other Versions Available
People and Environments-The Role of Government and Responsible Citizen

Understanding Government
74873 DVD
20 min J 1999 A-V Discovery
This dvd looks at what government is and the form of government we have in Canada. It examines the different levels of government and how government functions. Topics discussed include the Constitution, voting, Role of M.P., Passage of a Bill, House of Commons, Provincial Legislatures, Local Government, Senate, Senators, Prime Minister, Cabinet, Governor General.
No Other Versions Available

Understanding Refugees in Canada
77250 DVD
20 min JIS 2016 McIntyre Films
Every day across the world people make the difficult decision to leave their home, families, possessions and connections with their local community and walk away to an uncertain and often frightening future elsewhere. Refugees leave their homes and their country because they have no other choice. They are forced out by factors such as war, persecution, natural disasters, environmental crises and poverty. They may also leave because their government will not or cannot protect them from serious human rights abuses or meet their needs. Whatever the reason, refugees leave their homes because they fear for their own life or safety, or that of their family. In this video, students will begin to understand refugees in a historical context. We trace the reasons why the Quakers left England; the Irish Potato Famine; World War II refugees escaping the Nazi regime of Adolf Hitler; the boat people who escaped after the Vietnam War; the relocation of First Nations groups; and the recent Syrian refugee crisis. Students are also given information about basic human rights and the laws in place to ensure that all persons human rights are fundamentally protected.
No Other Versions Available