

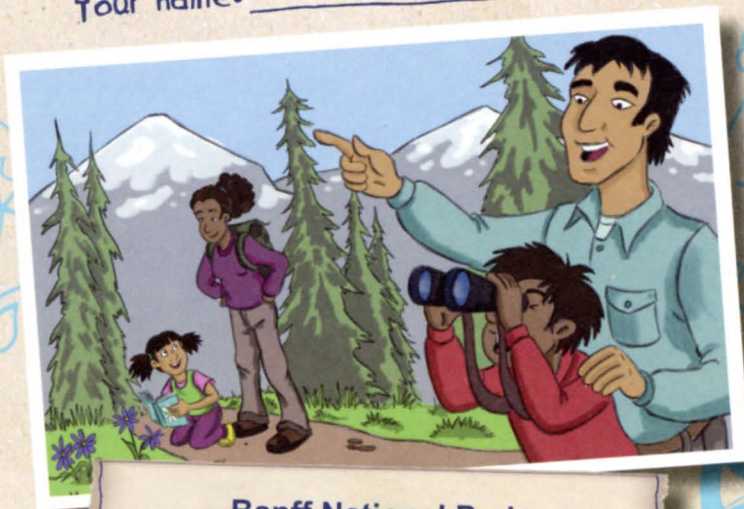


Banff
National Park

XPLORERS

PARKS CANADA

Your name: _____



– Banff National Park –

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WELCOME

to BANFF NATIONAL PARK!

Hey Kids! Complete some of the activities in this booklet and head to one of the following Xplorers locations to get your Xplorers certificate signed and to receive a souvenir.

XPLORERS LOCATIONS:

Banff and Lake Louise Visitor Centres
Banff Park Museum National Historic Site
Cave and Basin National Historic Site
Evening Campground Programs (Banff and Lake Louise)

The activities marked with a  are for the summer months and those with a  are for the winter months.

Did you know? Banff National Park was created in 1885 as Canada's first national park—that was over 130 years ago.

After your visit get your parents to go to

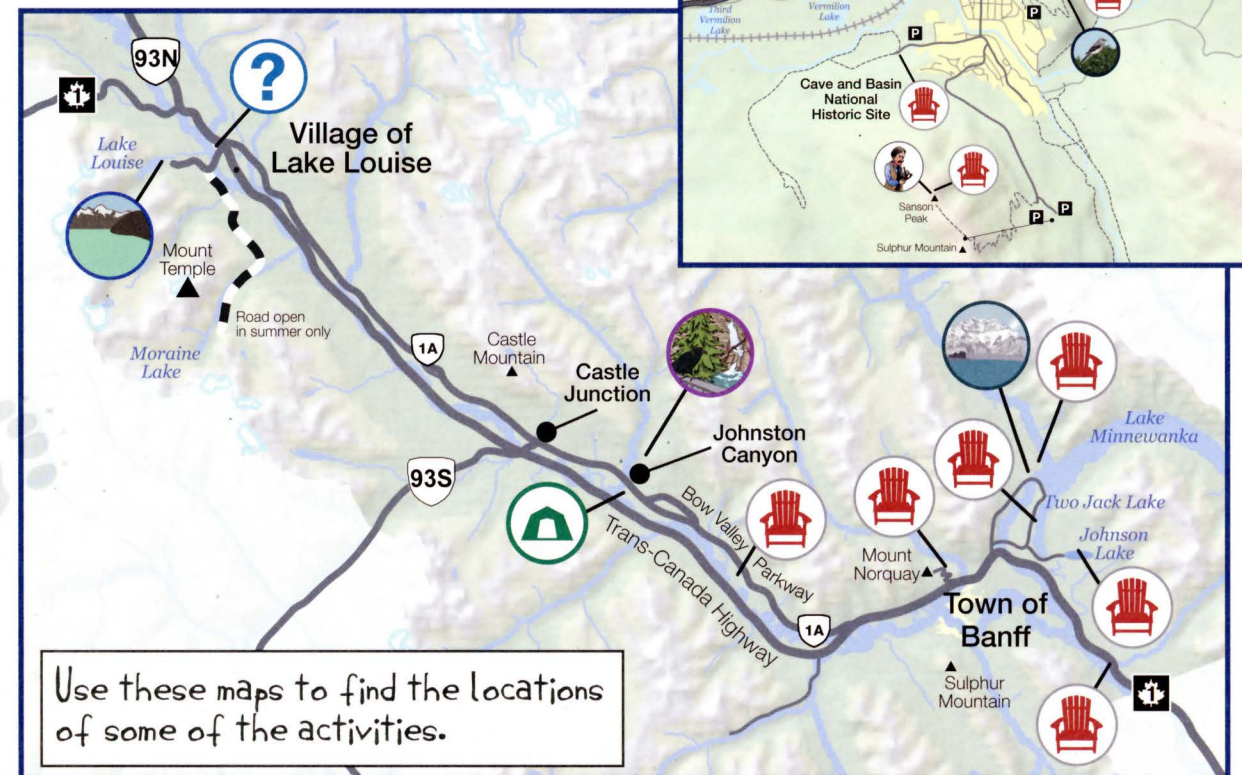


@BanffNP or



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and post photos and stories of your trip.



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FIGURE IT OUT???



WILDLIFE WORD SEARCH

Have you seen any wildlife while exploring Banff National Park? Have fun trying to find the different wildlife in the word search below. Once you find them all, write the remaining letters in the blank spaces below to solve the clue. Have fun!

BANFF
BEAVER
BIGHORN SHEEP
BLACK BEAR
COUGAR
COYOTE
ELK
FOREST
GRAYJAY
GRAY WOLF
GREAT BLUE HERON
GRIZZLY BEAR
HOOVES
LEAST CHIPMUNK



LYNX
MAGPIE
MARMOT
MOOSE
MOUNTAIN GOAT
MULE DEER
PARK
PIKA
RAVEN
RED SQUIRREL
SNOWSHOE HARE
TRACKS
WHITE-TAILED DEER
WOLVERINE

As a Banff National Park Xplorer it is important you _____

Some things you can do: give wildlife lots of space, do not feed them and stay in your car.

TAKE A WALK



WHAT TO PACK?

You and your family need to be well prepared to enjoy a hike in the mountains. **Circle** or **colour** the items you think are important to pack in order to hike safely. Before you head out, remember to check the trail conditions report at a Parks Canada visitor centre!

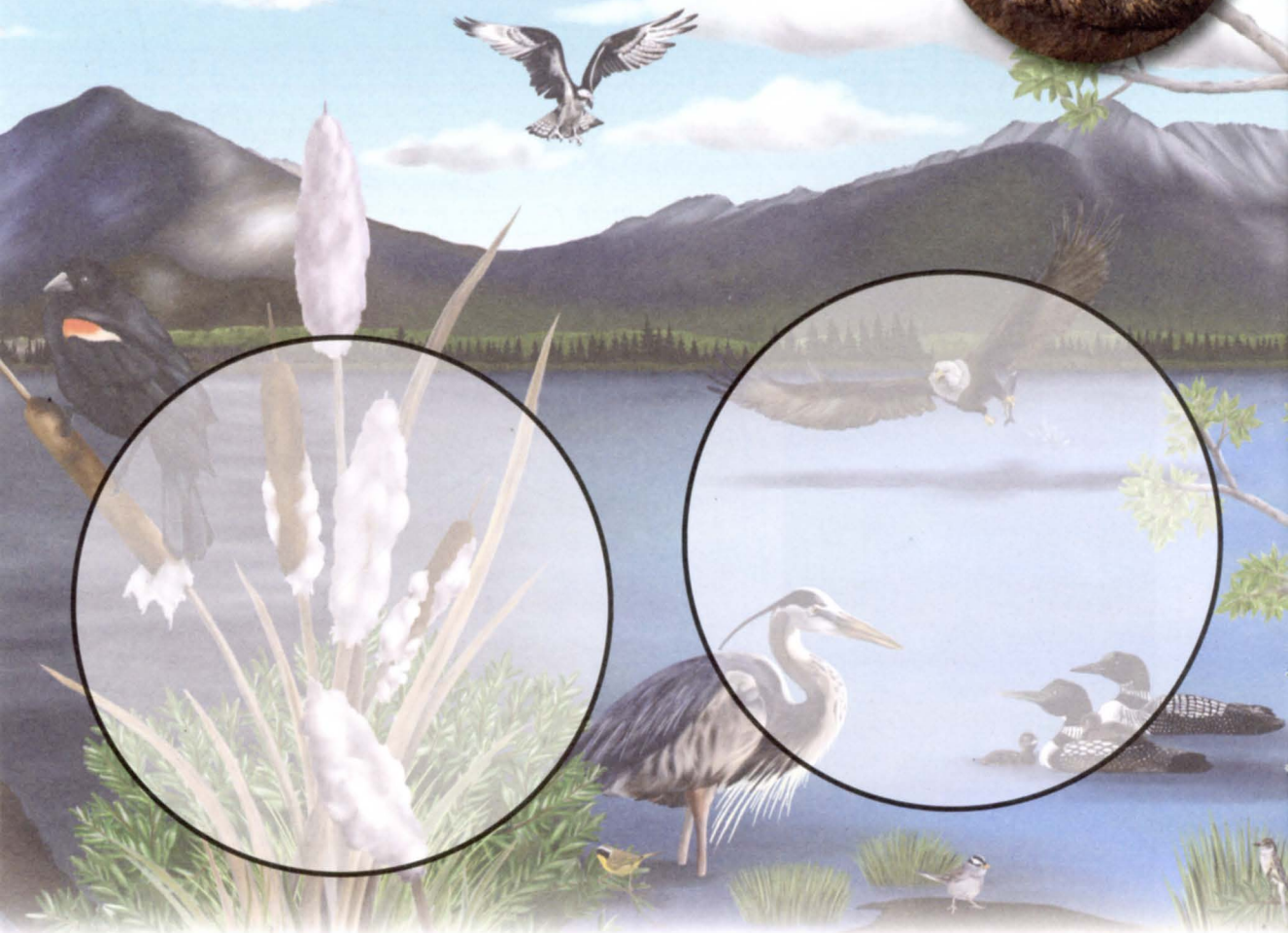


SEARCH FOR



EXPLORE VERMILION LAKES

Check out the cool interpretive panels along Vermilion Lakes Drive. Five of them have bronze disks. Pick your favourite two and draw them in the circles below. Or, draw something related to Vermilion Lakes and create your own set of disks!



TAKE A LOOK



I SPY . . .

Enjoy a hike to the top of Tunnel Mountain. Celebrate your successful summit by sitting down and taking in the view. Match the items listed below with where they are located.

- A) _____ A mountain with a rocky summit (Mount Bourgeau)
- B) _____ A river (Bow River)
- C) _____ A building on top of a mountain (Sulphur Mountain Weather Observatory)
- D) _____ A major highway (Trans-Canada Highway)
- E) _____ Small red roof (Cave and Basin National Historic Site)
- F) _____ A bridge for cars (on Banff Avenue)
- G) _____ A railway (Canadian Pacific Railway)
- H) _____ A bridge for people
- I) _____ A gondola on the side of a mountain (Banff Gondola on Sulphur Mountain)
- J) _____ A building that looks like a castle (Fairmont Banff Springs)
- K) _____ Three lakes close to each other (Vermilion Lakes)

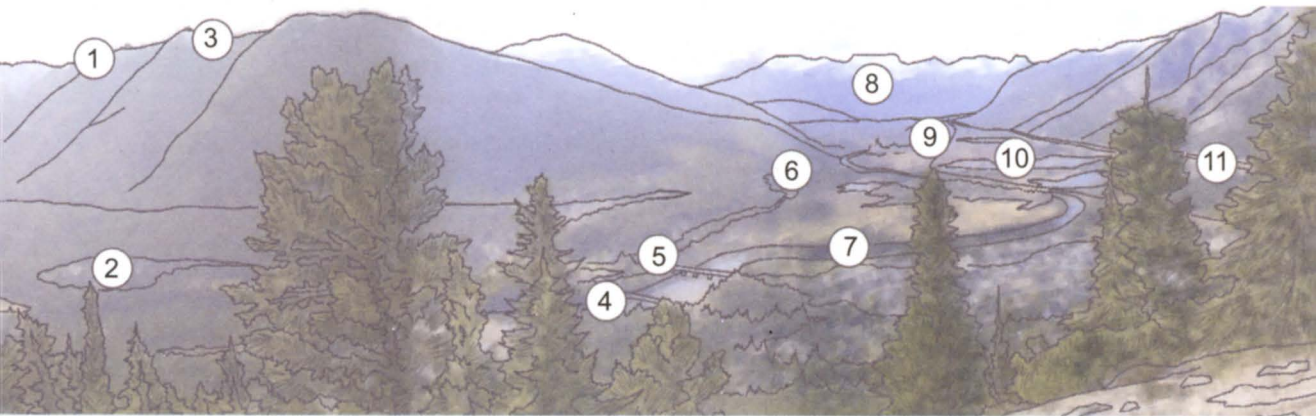
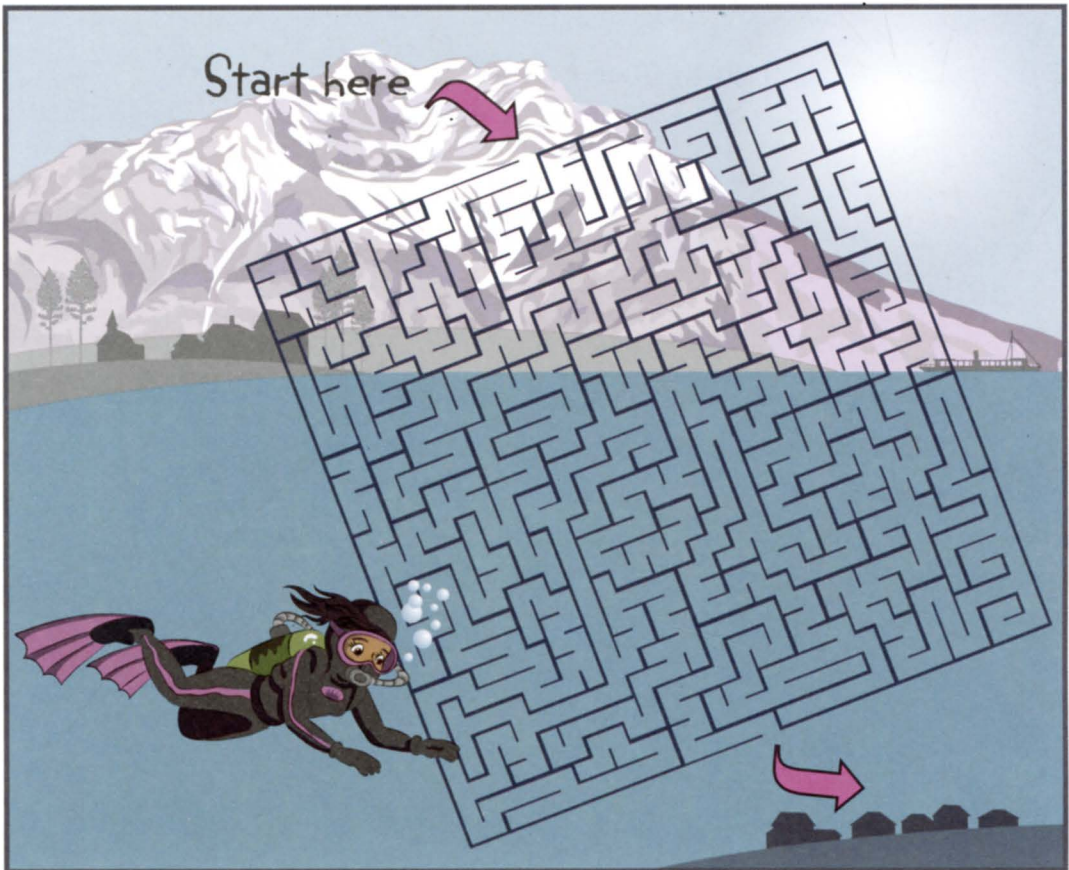


FIGURE IT OUT???



A-MAZE-ING DIVE AT LAKE MINNEWANKA

Did you know there are remains of an old town site called *Minnewanka Landing* at the bottom of Lake Minnewanka? Help the diver find her way to the ruins of the old town.



FIND IT



ON TOP OF SULPHUR MOUNTAIN

This is Norman Sanson, Sulphur Mountain's official weather observer from 1896 to 1932. He is hiding in 8 of the interpretive signs along the boardwalk trail. Your mission is to try to find him in at least 3 of the interpretive signs and write the title of the sign below.



<i>Date:</i> <i>Title:</i>	<i>Date:</i> <i>Title:</i>
<i>Date:</i> <i>Title:</i>	<i>Can you find more?</i>

FIGURE IT OUT ???



KEEP THEM WILD



Do Not Feed
Any Wildlife

For good health and survival, wildlife need to find their own natural foods, not yours.

Your task is to draw lines from the wildlife species on the left to the correct food source on the right. Hint: one food may be eaten by more than one species!



a) Grizzly



b) Mallard Duck



c) Bighorn Sheep

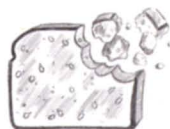


d) Wolf



e) Columbian Ground Squirrel

1) Bread and crumbs



2) Elk



3) Peanuts



4) Grasses



5) Tadpole



6) Corn on the cob



7) Wildflowers



8) Buffalo berries



CHECK IT OUT



ATTEND PARKS CANADA'S EVENING CAMPGROUND PROGRAMS

Attend a theatre program at Tunnel Mountain and Johnston Canyon campgrounds (you don't need to be staying in the campground to attend). Everyone is welcome and the programs are FREE! Ask one of the presenters to autograph your booklet.

Which program did you see?

Presenter's Autograph

Draw a picture or write about one fun thing you enjoyed!



TAKE A LOOK



BANFF NATIONAL PARK BINGO

Try to find some of the items featured below as you travel through the park on foot or in a vehicle! When you spot one of them, cross out the matching symbol on the grid. Complete a straight line either horizontally, vertically or diagonally, or better yet, try to find them all!

 Mountains	 Picnic table	 Parks Canada vehicle	 Animal	 Keep Them Wild Symbol
 Information panel	 Dog on a leash	 Highway fence for wildlife	 Campground	 Speed limit 60 km/hr
 Someone with a camera	 Slow down for wildlife sign	 DRAW YOUR OWN	 Parks Canada gate or kiosk	 River
 Lake	 Bear proof garbage bin	 Parks Canada green road sign	 Wildlife overpass	 Bird
 Washrooms	 Wildlife Guardians	 Viewpoint	 Speed limit 90 km/hr	 R. V.

SEARCH FOR



SEARCH FOR THE DIFFERENCES IN JOHNSTON CANYON

The Johnston Canyon Trail is a beautiful and fun place to visit along the Bow Valley Parkway. Can you spot, and circle, six differences between these two images of Johnston Canyon's lower waterfall?



TRY IT OUT !!



A 'BARE CAMPSITE'

Before leaving your campsite to go explore the park, it is important to put away anything that has a smell. We don't want wildlife visiting your site! **Colour** or **circle** all items that must be put away before you leave. Thank you for being a responsible camper! Hint: If you need some help, read about 'Bare' Campsite in our campground publication. Remember to never leave your dog alone!



TAKE IT EASY



CHAIR MOMENTS



Many of the red chairs in Banff National Park feature a species at risk. Your challenge is to draw an image or write a poem about the species at risk featured on the red chairs you found.



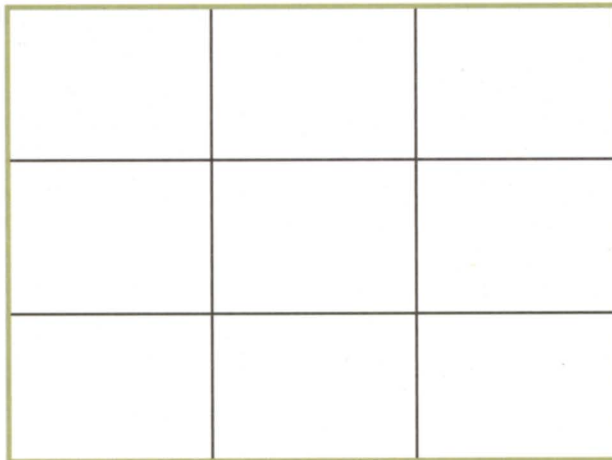
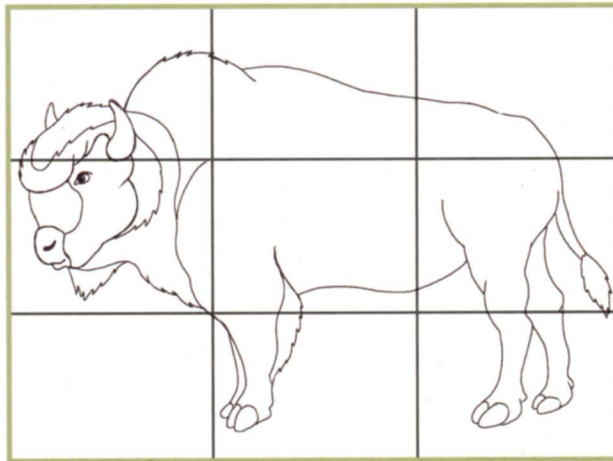
Check out all the red chair locations at:
pc.gc.ca/redbanff

CREATE YOUR OWN



DRAW A PLAINS BISON

The plains bison is the largest mammal found in this area, and Parks Canada is working towards bringing the species back to Banff National Park. Use the grid below to draw your own plains bison.

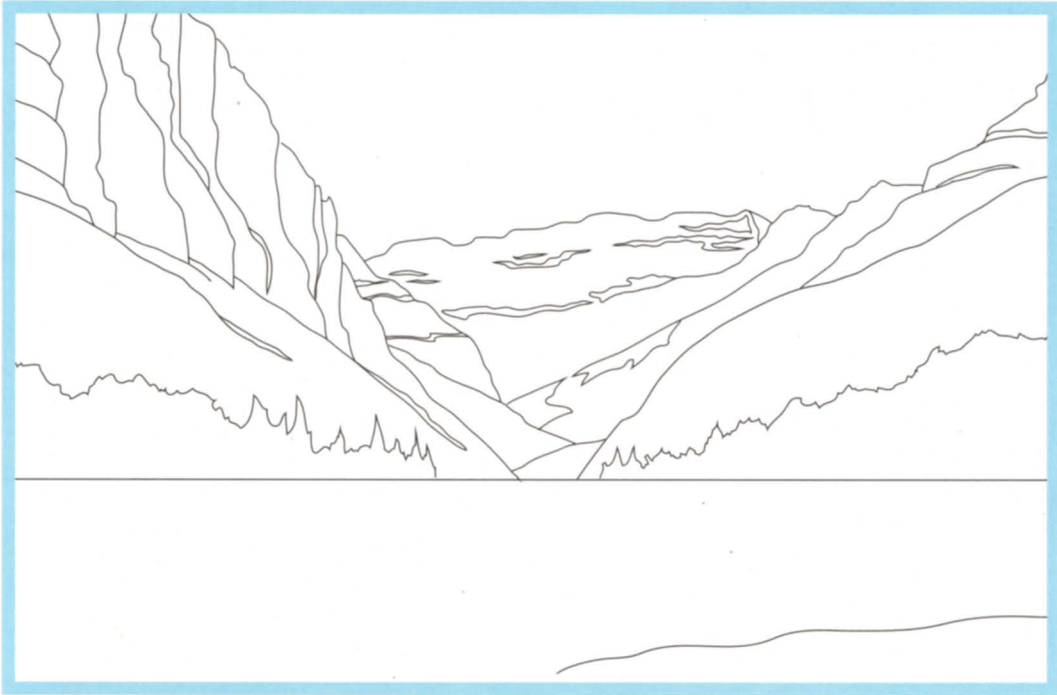


CHECK IT OUT



WELCOME TO LAKE LOUISE!

Put yourself and your family in the picture below and colour it.



Being at Lake Louise makes me feel...



VISIT THE LAKE LOUISE VISITOR CENTRE

Can you find these nifty things? Check them off and colour the illustrations below as you find them.

- ☐ Grizzly bear
- ☐ Wolf
- ☐ Caribou
- ☐ Billy or nanny mountain goat
- ☐ Mountain goat kid
- ☐ Bill Peyto's coat
- ☐ A fossil
- ☐ The weather report



Pick up your Lake Louise Xplorers booklet while you are here!

GO PLAY



OTHER FUN THINGS TO DO

Take part in one or more of these fun Banff National Park outings!

- ☐ Check out the Cave and Basin National Historic Site, where Canada's national parks system began! Complete their Xplorers booklet while you're visiting.
- ☐ Take a drive with your family along the scenic Bow Valley Parkway which connects the Town of Banff with the hamlet of Lake Louise.
- ☐ Are you into geocaching? We have 5 geocaches near the Town of Banff. Pick up your geocache activity sheet at a Parks Canada visitor centre in the Town of Banff.
- ☐ Explore the past by visiting Bankhead—an historic coal mining town located on the Minnewanka Road.



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CAN YOU HELP US OUT ???

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COMMENT CARD QUESTIONS.

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE TO THE VISITOR CENTRE. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!



1. Completing your Xplorers booklet was... (Circle your answer.)

Super Fun

Fun

Kinda Fun

Not so much fun

Booorinnng



2. Check ☒ the activities you did and circle the 3 you liked the best.

- ☐ Wildlife Word Search
- ☐ What to Pack
- ☐ Explore Vermilion Lakes
- ☐ I Spy
- ☐ A-Maze-ing Dive
- ☐ On Top of Sulphur Mountain
- ☐ Keep Them Wild
- ☐ Attend a Banff Program

- ☐ Bingo
- ☐ Search for the Differences
- ☐ A "BARE" Campsite
- ☐ Chair Moments
- ☐ Draw a Plains Bison
- ☐ Welcome to Lake Louise
- ☐ Visit Lake Louise Visitor Centre
- ☐ Other Fun Things To Do

3. How old are you? (Circle your answer.)

Under 6

Between 6 and 8

Between 9 and 11

12 and older

4. What did you learn about the park?

DON'T FORGET
TO CHECK
THE OTHER SIDE!

CAN YOU HELP US OUT ???

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO TELL US WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES IN YOUR XPLOER BOOKLET.



Answer for "Wildlife Word Search", page 4
VIEW WILDLIFE SAFELY!

Answers for "I Spy", page 7

A) 8; B) 7; C) 3; D) 11; E) 6; F) 5; G) 9; H) 4; I) 1; J) 2; K) 10

Answers for "Keep Them Wild", page 10

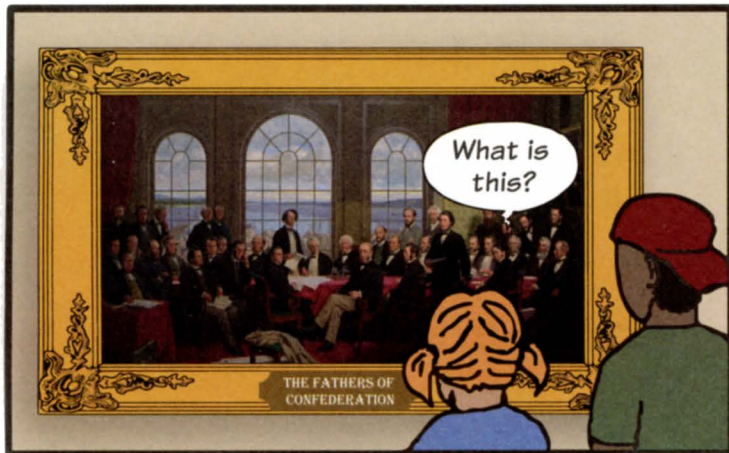
A) 8; B) 5; C) 4, 7; D) 2; E) 4, 7

Answers for "Search for the Differences", page 13.

In Image B: 1) Man is wearing gloves; 2) Man's hat is different; 3) Girl has a phone instead of a camera; 4) Log over waterfall is missing; 5) Raven's beak is open; 6) A buck (male deer) instead of a doe (female deer).

Stuff your adult needs to know...the fine print

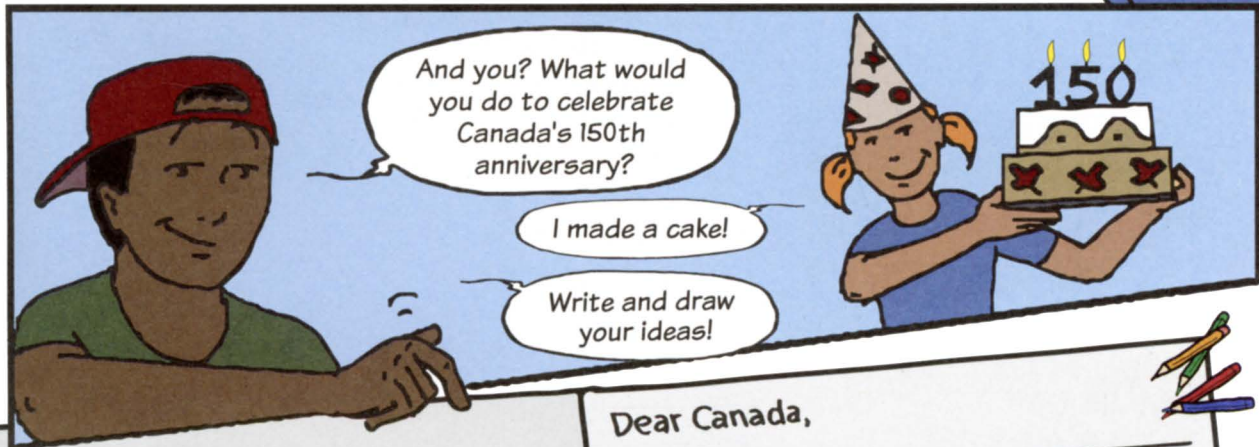
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These are people who gathered in 1867 to create Canada.

1867?!
Huh, that's a long time ago!

Yeah, 150 years in 2017 and we celebrate every 1st of July!



Dear Canada,

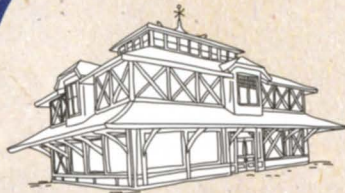


LIKE TO X PLORE??

You can have fun in lots of
Parks Canada places! Go to
parksCanada.gc.ca/xplorers
to see where they are.



KOOTENAY
NATIONAL PARK



BANFF PARK MUSEUM
NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE



LAKE LOUISE IN
BANFF NATIONAL PARK



CAVE AND BASIN
NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE



YOHO
NATIONAL PARK

ROCKY MOUNTAIN
HOUSE NATIONAL
HISTORIC SITE



Let's Go!

Play. Learn. Grow. With

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