

Artists Reflect Canadian Identity

1. Why do you think that art is important to culture?
2. What is meant by the term "media"?
3. What types of things were used by First Nations groups to create media?
4. Why do you think these materials were used?
5. By looking at the pieces of media shown in your text book, give 3 examples of Canadian identity represented in the art.
6. What type of art was important to the people of New France?
7. Why was "documentary painting" important in early British North America?
8. Examine Figure 1.5 in your textbook. What challenges faced by early Canadian families are shown in this painting?
9. Define the word "nationalism".
10. How was nationalism reflected in Canadian art?
11. What aspects of Canadian identity do you see reflected in the works of the Group of Seven?
12. Why do you think that natural beauty has often been a theme for Canadian artist? Do you still think that this is true today?