

# LINGUISTIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UK

English is the mother tongue of 24 mln Canadians. Canadian English has elements of both British English and American English, but it is also influenced by French.

Despite the differences, the British and people from Canada understand each other perfectly.

### CANADA

Canada is placed in the northern part of North America and it's the second largest country in the world. Ottawa is its capital.

Canada is a multinational federal state comprising ten provinces and three territories. It is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the east, the Pacific from the Arctic Ocean to the west and north. Canada multicultural and bilingual: English and French are the official languages with equal status. Canada has a strong economy.

## **SPORT**

#### Canada has two national sports:

- Ice Hockey, which is the most popular winter sport;
- Lacrosse, the official summer sport.

Canadian people also play: football, soccer, baseball, rugby, curling, etc...



## Celebrations

Religious holidays are Easter, Easter Monday, Good Friday, Christmas, Boxing Day, etc...

Other examples of festivities are: the National Heritage Day and the Discovery Day.



## Curiosities

In Canada there is a good initiative that is called "Movies for Mommies". Once a week, some cinemas exclusively open at lunchtime for mothers and their babies.

Crying is not forbidden and at the entrance, the guests are also given diapers or other goods for children.

