

Standard: SS6G4 – Locate selected features of Canada

Element: a. Locate on a world and regional politicalphysical map: the St. Lawrence River, Hudson Bay, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, the Great Lakes, Canadian Shield, and Rocky Mountains.

The Pacific Ocean is located off Canada's western coast, and the Atlantic is located off its eastern coast.



The landscape of western Canada is dominated by the **Rocky Mountains.** This mountain system extends for over 3,000 miles from the southwestern United **States** as far north as Alaska.



Canada's largest internal body of water is the **Hudson Bay,** located in the northeast of the country.



Hudson Bay is the Worlds Largest Inland Sea

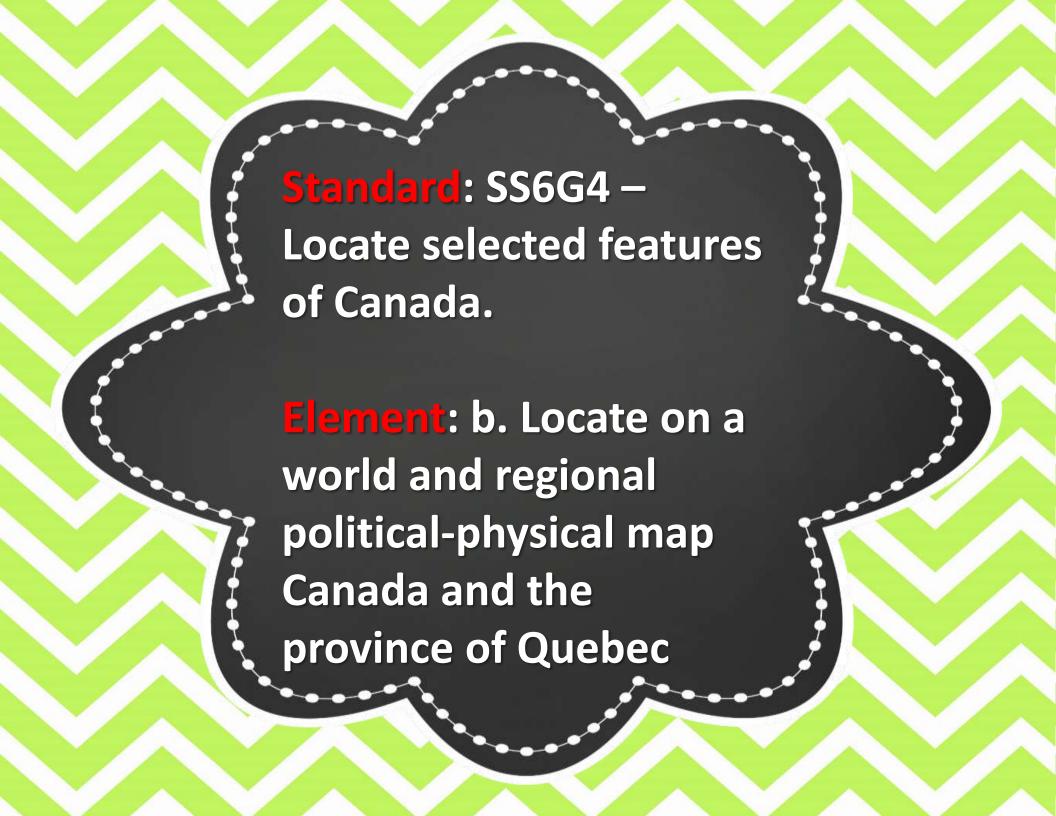
The land area around Hudson Bay is known as the Canadian Shield. This mineral-rich region extends across most of eastern Canada.



South of Hudson Bay, at the U.S. border, are the five Great Lakes: Lake Huron, Lake Ontario, Lake Michigan, Lake Erie, and Lake Superior. (These lakes can be remembered with the acronym HOMES.)

The Great Lakes account for 21% of Earth's surface freshwater.





Political Map

Canada is the northernmost country **located in North** America. It is bordered to the south (and northwest, if one counts Alaska) by the United States.



Political Map

While the overwhelmingly majority of Canadians are English speakers, Quebec, located in eastern Canada, is French speaking.

The cultural identity of this province can be traced back to the colonial period.

