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# Heritage Fair

## Choosing Your Topic

You've brainstormed a lot of ideas for possible Heritage Fair projects. Now let's work together to find the best one for you!

### Step 1: Brainstorm Your Favourites

Using your own ideas or those from the board, record eight ideas that you would be interested in exploring on your own. These can be big ideas, people, events, or anything related to history or heritage that interests you. Create a question for each topic that would help you focus your research?

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Topic Filter

Now that you have brainstormed a number of topic ideas, it is time for you to narrow your ideas down, and come up with a final Heritage Fair question!

### Step 2: Choose Your Top 3

Look over your list/web and choose the top three topics that you are interested in and want to look at more carefully.

Choice A:

Choice B:

Choice C:

### Step 3: The Topic Filter

You will have one period to explore your three topics. You are searching the internet to see if there is **enough information and multiple websites** about each of your topics. You may wish to create a Google doc to record a short summary of each website and it's url so that you can revisit them easily for your final chosen topic.

As you complete your brief exploration, ask yourself the following questions for each idea:

1. Does this topic connect to Canadian history, heritage, or culture?
2. Am I really interested in learning more about this topic?
3. Is there enough information available for me to research it?
4. Can I create something exciting to share with others based on this topic?

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For each of your ideas, circle “Yes” or “No” in the table below:

Topic	Canadian Connection?	Personally Interesting?	Researchable?	Creative Possibilities?
	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No
	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No
	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No

## Step 4: Make Your Decision

Which topic scored the highest? Write your final choice below. If there’s a tie, think about which topic excites you most or feels most meaningful to explore.

**Top Choice:**

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## Step 5: Looking Ahead

Reflect on your choice by answering these questions:

1. What are you most excited to learn about this topic?
2. What challenges might you face when researching or presenting this topic?
3. What is one idea you already have for how to present your project?