



Grades 1-4

Exploring Canada

Learning Lapbook with Study Guide



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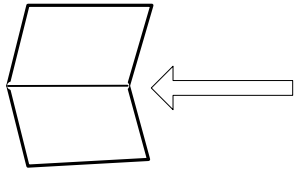
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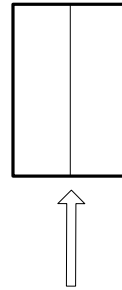
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Things to Know

Hamburger Fold-Fold horizontally



Hotdog Fold-Fold vertically



Dotted Lines-These are the cutting lines.

Accordion Fold-This fold is like making a paper fan. Fold on the first line so that title is on top. Turn over and fold on next line so that title is on top again. Turn over again and fold again on the next line so that title is on top. Continue until all folds are done.

Cover Labels-Most of the booklets that are folded look nicer with a label on top instead of just a blank space. They will be referred to as "cover label."

How Long Does it Take to Complete the Lapbook?

Doing a study guide page and mini-booklet a day, a 2-folder lapbook takes about 3 weeks to complete. However, you can expand the study portion and make it last as long as you like! That's the beauty of homeschooling! Do it YOUR way!

Lapbook Assembly Choices

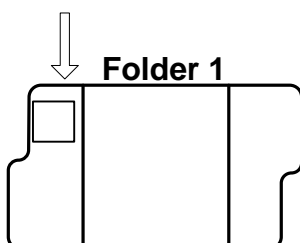
(see photos on how to fold and glue your folders together)

We recommend using Zip Dry Glue or Elmer's Extreme.

Choice #1 -Do not glue your folders together until you have completely finished all three folders. It is easier to work with one folder instead of two or three glued together.

Choice #2 -Glue all of your folders together before beginning. Some children like to see the entire project as they work on it. It helps with keeping up with which folder you are supposed to be working in. The choices are completely up to you and your child!

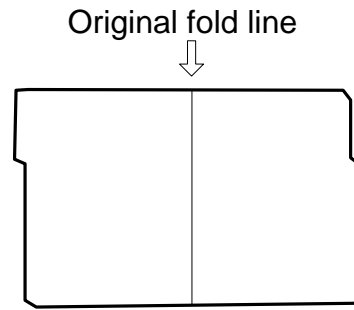
How do I know where to place each template in the folder?



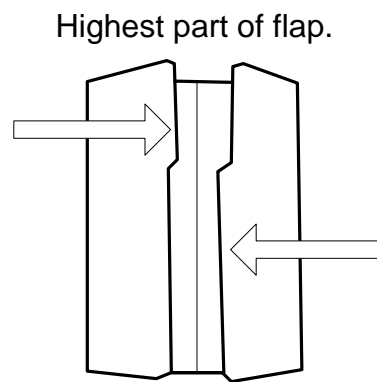
This placement key tells you the template goes in the first folder at the top of the left flap.

Folding a Lapbook Base

Gather the number of folders required for the project. Fold them flat as seen here.



For each folder, fold the left and right sides inward toward the original line to create two flaps. Crease so that the highest part of each flap is touching the original line. It is important not to let the two flaps overlap. *You may want to take a ruler and run it down each crease to make it sharper.*



Glue your folders together by putting glue (or you may staple) on the inside of the flaps. Then press the newly glued flaps together with your hands until they get a good strong hold to each other. Follow this step to add as many folders as you need for your project. Most of our lapbooks have either 2 or 3 folders.

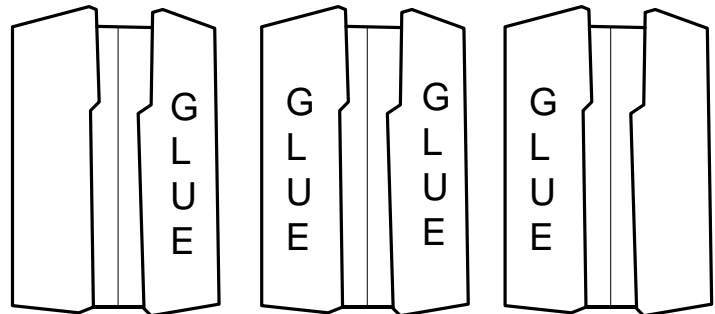
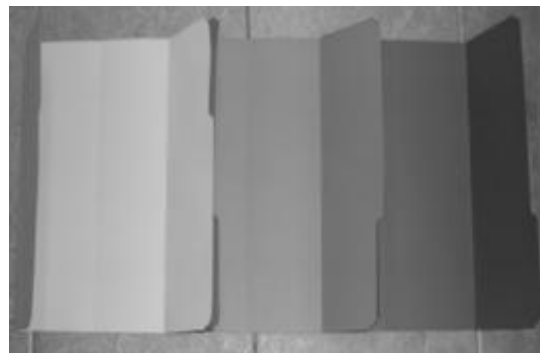
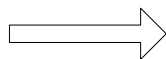


Photo of a completed lapbook base



Supplies and Storage

- *Lapbook Pages
- *2 Colored File Folders
- *Scissors
- *Glue
- *Stapler
- *Brads (not needed for every lapbook. If brads are not available, a stapler will do.)
- *Hole Puncher (again, not needed for every lapbook.)

To make the storage system (optional)

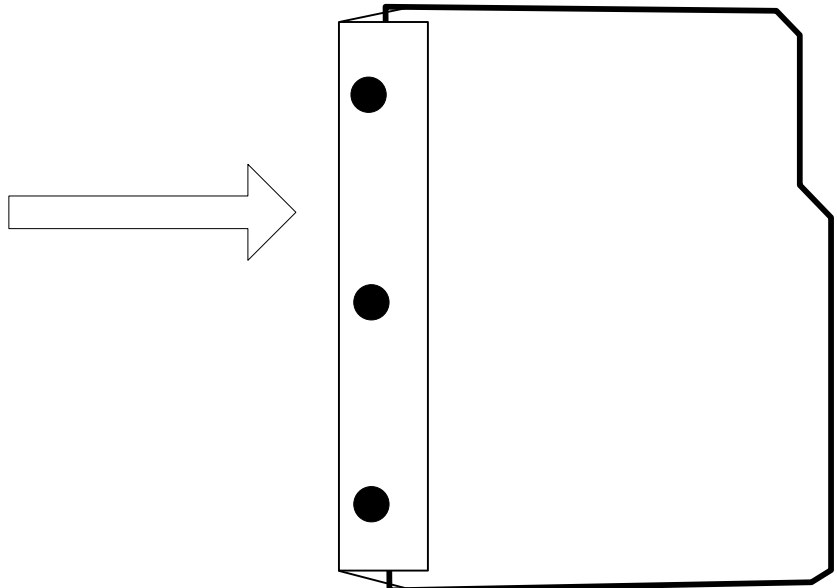
See details below about the use of a storage system.

- *Duct tape (any color)
- *One 3-ring binder
- *Hole Puncher

My child has made several lapbooks. Can I store all of the lapbooks together in one place?

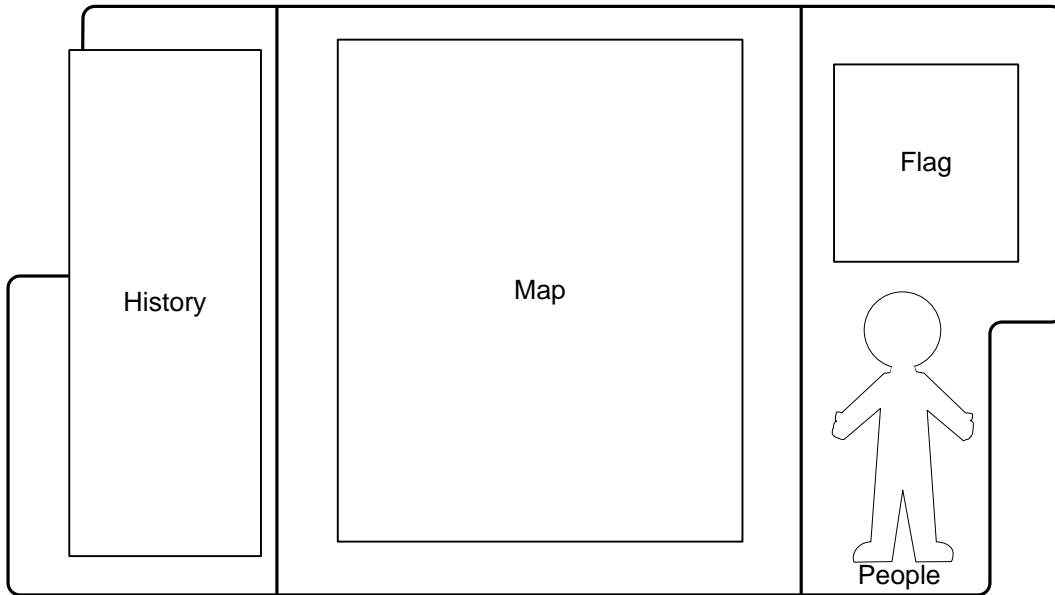
Yes! A three-ring binder serves as a great place to keep your lapbooks. This method of storage not only keeps your lapbooks from getting lost but also keeps them neat and readily available to share with dad, grandparents, friends, etc. When you are through sharing your lapbooks, just place the three-ring binder back on your bookshelf! Below are step-by-step directions of how to prepare each lapbook to be placed in a three-ring binder.

Close the lapbook. Measure a piece of duct tape that is as long as the lapbook. Place the edge of the duct tape on the top edge of the lapbook. Then fold the duct tape over so that it can be placed on the bottom edge. Make sure to leave enough duct tape sticking out from the edges to punch three holes. Be careful when punching the holes that you do not punch the holes in the folder. If you do, that's okay. Then place in three-ring binder. Depending on the size of your three-ring binder, you can store many lapbooks in it.

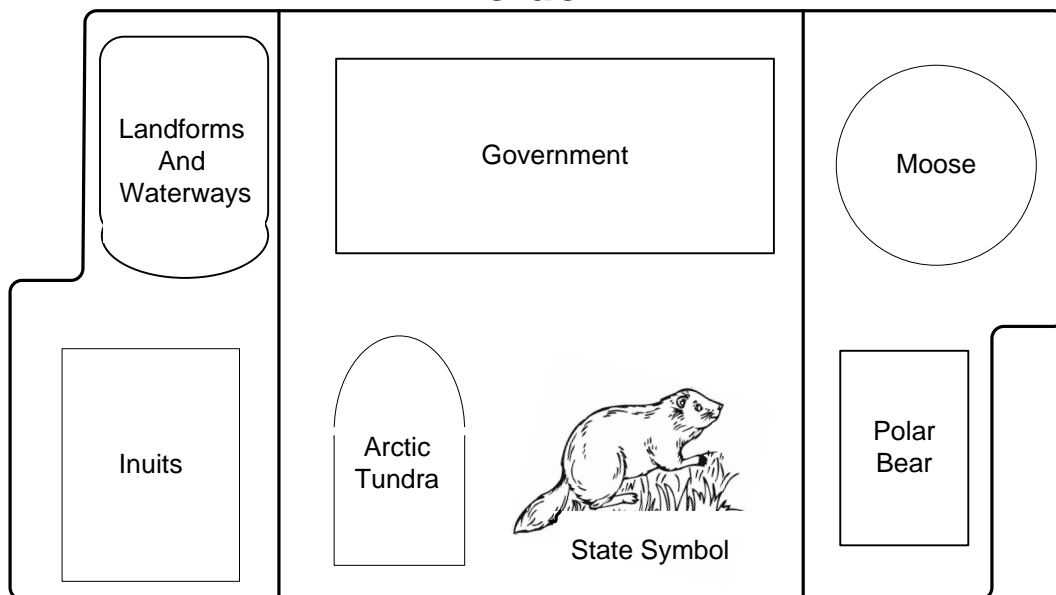


Booklet Placement Guide

Folder 1



Folder 2



The next page is the cover page for your lapbook. Set it aside. Once the lapbook is finished, close the lapbook and glue the page on the top folder.

Exploring Canada Lapbook



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The Maple Leaf

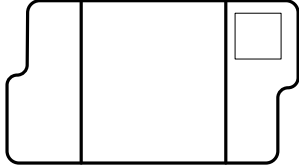
The Canadian flag is very simple: a single red maple leaf on a square white background with red rectangles on either side. Before 1965 the Canadians had a different flag. This flag was called the Red Ensign. It was red with a British flag (called the Union Jack) on the left upper corner and the Canada Coat of Arms to the right. It showed that Canada was part of England.

Around 1965, the Canadian government set in motion a proposal to change the flag to something more Canadian. Canadians have been using the maple leaf as a symbol of their country for many years. It was only natural that they chose it as part of their flag.

Why a maple leaf? Maple trees are abundant in Canada. They make the Canadian landscape beautiful. These trees are not only beautiful but they are also very useful. They provide wood to make furniture, cabinets and flooring. Around mid-February to mid-March, maple sap is harvested by boring holes into the maple tree. The sap flows into buckets placed under the holes to catch the precious liquid. The sap is then boiled down to make yummy maple syrup.

The maple leaf was first used as a patriotic symbol in 1834 when the St. Jean Baptiste society was trying to defend the right of the French Canadians to speak French. Later the maple leaf appeared on some of the currency.

Folder 1



Read The Maple Leaf.

Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue into the lapbook.

Directions: Color the maple leaf. Draw a Canadian flag inside the booklet.

