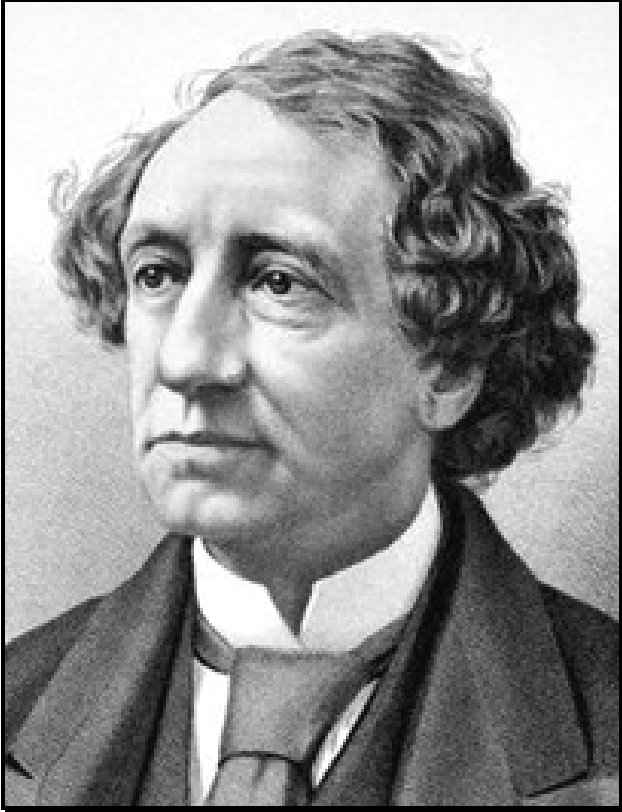


# FAMOUS CANADIANS

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### **COMMERCIAL LAWYER WAS CANADA'S FIRST PRIME MINISTER**



*Sir John A. MacDonal* was Canada's first Prime Minister. He was also a commercial lawyer.

*MacDonal* took office as Prime Minister of Canada on July 1, 1867. At that time Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick made up the dominion of Canada. He later saw Canada expand from Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean.

The Northwest Territories (now Saskatchewan and Alberta), Manitoba, British Columbia, and Prince Edward Island all joined Canada while *MacDonal* was Prime Minister.

*MacDonal* was an intelligent man. He was responsible for planning and later building the Canadian Pacific Railroad, which joined one end of the country to the other.

*MacDonal* made many policies that lasted through many Prime Ministers. One of these policies was the National Policy. The National Policy protected the Canadian manufacturers. It imposed tariffs on goods from other countries. Tariffs are taxes placed on goods that are brought into Canada.

*MacDonal* died while he was still in office.

### **CHRÉTIEN BELIEVED IN A UNITED CANADA**



*Jean Chrétien* was Canada's 20<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister. He was also a lawyer.

*Chrétien* believed in a united Canada. He fought for Canada to remain united when Quebec wanted to separate from Canada. He wanted Quebec to remain a part of Canada.

*Chrétien* promoted Canada and the interests of Canada in many countries around the world.

## WHAT FAMOUS CANADIAN ATHLETE AM I?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I won bronze and silver medals in rowing at the Summer Olympics.  
I was involved in a serious boating accident.  
My leg was injured.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

2. I lost my leg to cancer.  
I raised money for cancer research during my *Marathon of Hope* run.  
I was unable to complete my run because I developed lung cancer.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

3. I am a retired hockey player.  
I wore number '99' while I played hockey.  
I put on a golf tournament every year.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

4. I am a wheelchair athlete.  
I was in a vehicle accident when I was 15 years old.  
I started the *Man in Motion* tour.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

5. I won five medals at the Winter Olympic Games.  
I am a short-track speed skater.  
I began skating when I was three years old.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

6. My team won the first ever Olympic gold medal in curling.  
I was the captain of my team.  
My team was inducted into the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame.

What famous Canadian athlete am I? \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMOUS CANADIANS OVERVIEW

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Answer the following questions in complete sentences:

1. What book did Robert Munsch write that sold over 8 million copies and was the best-selling book in Canada and the United States?

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2. What two TV shows is Michael J. Fox well-known for appearing in?

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3. Why did Farley Mowat write the book *The People of the Deer*?

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4. What is the *Canadarm*?

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5. What is Bill Reid expert in?

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