Lesson Plan:	Canadian Government Spelling Bee	
Grade/Subject	Grade 6 Social Studies	
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Curriculum Learning Outcomes	6-KP-049: Describe the main features of the Canadian Government	
Objectives:	This activity introduces vocabulary words for Canadian Government, and could be used at the beginning of the unit or as a review at the end.	
Resources	Vocabulary words	
Activating		

## Activating

Begin by introducing what a spelling bee is and how to play. Explain that all of the words will be related to Canadian Government in some way.

## Acquiring

Tell students the rules of the spelling bee and your expectations of them as an audience (respect, listening, no prompting, etc.)

## Applying

Students will be listening to others and thinking of how to spell the words correctly. The spelling bee will follow these guidelines:

- 1. Take the vocabulary words sheet and cut out the individual words.
- 2. Fold each word and place them in a bucket/hat/container
- 3. All students start on side A
- 4. Students will come up one at a time and pick a folded word out of the container. The word is handed to the teachers, who unfolds it and reads it out loud
- 5. The students will attempt to spell the word
- 6. If successful, the student remains on side A. If unsuccessful, the student will go to side B
- 7. Once everyone has tried, begin another round at Side A, then moving to side B. If unsuccessful from A, move to B. If unsuccessful from B, the student is "out"
- 8. Continue until you have a final "winner"

Additional Idea: Use the vocabulary words to play government bingo!

- Have the words and definitions on separate cards. Hand out the cards to the class, and have them match up with the proper word/definition.

## Assessing

- Students should after this be familiar with the vocabulary used (or to be used) in their lessons on government.
- Students will be able to correctly spell the vocabulary words in their assignments.

Parliament	Legislature	Honourable
Constitution	Province	Monarchy
Sovereign	Citizen	Provincial
Yukon	Government	Senate
Democracy	Premier	Prime Minister
Confederation	Cabinet	Federal
Local	Newfoundland	Nunavut
Iqaluit	Whitehorse	Manitoba
Regina	Alberta	Victoria
Ontario	Quebec	St. Johns
Prince Edward Island	Northwest Territories	Winnipeg
Saskatchewan	Charlottetown	Edmonton
British Columbia	Toronto	Quebec City
Fredericton	Halifax	New Brunswick
Canada	Yellowknife	Ottawa
Nova Scotia	Minister	Lieutenant-Governor
French	Governor-General	English
Nationality	Bill	Question Period
Nation	Election	Speaker
Minority	Majority	Levy
Тах	Flag	Treaty
National	Political	Act
Liberal	Throne	Conservative
New Democratic	Elect	Chief
Mayor	Reeve	Metis
First Nations	Constituent	Belief
Riding	Mandate	Judge
Motion	Archives	Judicial
Justice	Governs	Appoint
Jurisdiction	Office	Public
Inform	Hearing	Penalty
Administration	Decisions	Crown
Whip	Representative	Resolution
Petition	Reform	Politics
Queen	Law	Beaver
Maple Leaf	Vote	Voter
Clerk	Opposition	Royal Assent
House of Commons	Hansard	Municipality
Member of Parliament	Inuit	Campaign
Speech	Caucus	Poll
Meeting	Partisan	Courtroom
Ombudsman	Chair	Freedom
Regional	Auditor	Report
Committees	Communities	Oath
Arbitration	Magistrate	Rights
Legislator	Represent	Critic