

HERITAGE FAIR PROJECT TOPICS & IDEAS

Subject Area	Possible ways to focus on our region
<p>Government: Politicians Political parties Policies and laws</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local politicians and city councilors Local activists Policies and laws impacting local citizens
<p>First Nations: Policies and laws Lifestyle in particular period and area Settlement / housing Games / interactions Jobs Foods Arts and stories</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lheidli T'enneh history in Prince George area How did European contact change the lives of First Nations people (food, housing, clothing, etc)? Visit The Exploration Place to explore Hodul'eh-a: A Place of Learning Visit the Lheidli T'enneh Fish Camp at Huble Homestead Historic Site
<p>Symbols of Canada: Flag / national anthem Flora & fauna Royal figures (Queen, etc) Citizenship ceremonies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local symbols like Prince George's Coat of Arms Local monuments and memorials Examine how national or provincial symbols related to our area
<p>Firsts... Newspaper Car/airplane Hospital or school Church Electricity Retail outlet</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did the first newspaper, school, etc, change life for people in our region? What did it mean to the community? How have we evolved since the first car, church, airplane? What does that mean for the community?
<p>Early Settlers: Forts Hudson's Bay Company Hardships Daily life Early families Relationships with the Lheidli T'enneh and other First Nations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on a well-known local family (i.e., the Hubles, Blackburns, etc) or person (Six Mile Mary, Ivor Guest, etc) A year in the life of a typical Prince George & area family The role of the HBC in the development of Prince George
<p>Fishing: First Nations fishing traditions Japanese fishing community Cannery life Boat builders and fishers Women in fishing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contrast and compare Lheidli T'enneh fishing techniques to those of other First Nations peoples Examine the roles of women, men, and children in food gathering/family survival

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Natural Heritage: Catastrophes: fires, floods, etc Influences on development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What were the most notable catastrophes in Prince George history? How did they influence how the city developed (Island Cache, flooding, accidents, fires)?
Agriculture: Farming families Crops Changes due to farming Life on a farm Irrigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How was life on a farm different from life in a town? • How was farming in BC and around Prince George different from farming on the prairies? • How did changes in industry change farming and the lives of farming families?
Housing: Early architecture / log cabins Furnishings Street names Land use tools Types of buildings / building materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a street in your area and explore • The history of your home • Research local heritage buildings; who did they belong to and what were they used for? What are they used for now? Why are they important?
Transportation: Railroad (national/local) Ferries/boats/ ships Airplanes/airports Highways Public Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a type of boat or specific boat used in the Fraser River; explore its history • How did the railroad change life in this region? • How did people get around before there were roads? What did roads mean to the people in the north? • Book a tour at the Railway Museum.
Art: Famous artists / authors Canadian music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local artists, authors, or musicians
Immigrant Experiences and Multiculturalism: Regional influences Cultural communities Family connections Citizenship stories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a time period and look at immigration in that period and how this relates to Prince George • Examine the contributions of a specific cultural group to life and development in Prince George and region
Personal Memories: Self, family Narrative histories Name meanings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is all about you! • What is your family's history in Canada? • How does your personal history relate to the history of Prince George? BC? Canada?
Celebrations: Family traditions Canada Day Leisure/cultural activities Religious holidays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a celebration important in your community • Many months have a theme – Black History Month, Women's History Month – how is it celebrated in Prince George?

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School Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on your school history • The name of your school
Food: Preservation Production Cooking/utensils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What food is produced in your area? • How has food production in this region changed over the years?
Recreation: Sports and their clubs Parks Old-fashioned toys and games Entertainment/dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of parks in your area • History of a local sports teams • What types of games did children play in the past? • What major athletes are from Prince George?