

A Bilingual Country: English & French — Knowledge Organiser

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Key facts

- Canada has two official languages: English and French.
- French is spoken most widely in Quebec.
- Signs, packaging and government services appear in both languages.
- Many Indigenous languages are also spoken across Canada.

Key vocabulary

- Official language — a language used by government.
- Bilingual — using two languages.
- Quebec — the mainly French-speaking province.
- Heritage language — a language from one's background.

Two languages

From cereal boxes to road signs, you will see both English and French across Canada — a sign of its two founding language communities.

Many more languages

Alongside English and French, Canada is home to many Indigenous and immigrant languages, making it richly multilingual.