

# Let's Explore Canada!

### Option I: Design a New Flag

Every country has certain symbols that represent it. Ask the girls to brainstorm on what Canada's most easily recognized symbols are. Talk about the Canadian flag and ask if the girls know what it looks like.

In small groups, get the girls to design a new flag representing Canada. But their new flag can't be rectangular in shape, use the maple leaf or use the colours red and white.

When the flags are finished, have a flag parade and let the girls give a short speech about their flag, what it represents about Canada and why they choose those symbols.

#### **Guider Notes:**

It may be helpful to give the girls some ideas of some of the symbols, places or people that are associated with Canada, e.g., the beaver, RCMP, CN Tower, hockey, Calgary Stampede, Anne of Green Gables, moose, bonhomme, totem poles. Ask the girls what symbols they think best represent Canada.

Materials: butcher or construction paper, markers, crayons, glue, tissue paper.

## **Option 2: Visit Canada Poster Contest**

As a unit, discuss Canada and ask the girls what they know about the country. Ask them to share stories about any Canadian travels they've had. What places do they want to visit?

In small groups design a poster that would attract tourists from other countries to visit Canada. When the posters are completed, get the girls to display their work and share some details about their poster with the other groups.

#### **Guiders Notes:**

Talk to the girls about what makes a good advertisement. What colours are attractive? What kind of wording do you see on ads? For example: "Your New Brunswick Getaway is waiting"; Or "Ontario, Yours to Discover."

Materials: poster paper, magazines (with Canadian

focus), paints, brushes, travel/promotional posters/brochures for Canada as