What does it mean to be Canadian?

1. You know that Canada has the largest French population in the world that never surrendered to Germany.

2. You don't know or care about the fuss with Cuba. It's just a cheap place to travel with good cigars and no Americans.

3. You know that the Hudson Bay Company once owned 1/11th of the Earth's surface.

4. You know that the C.E.O. of American Airlines is a Canadian.

5. You know what it means to be “on pogey”.

6. You know who “The Rocket” is.

7. You dismiss all beers under 6% as “for children and the elderly”.

8. You can eat more than one maple sugar candy without puking.

9. You still haven't taken down your “NON” posters from the 95 Referendum.

10. You know that Mounties “don't always look like that”.

11. You know that the average dog sled team can kill and devour a grown human in less than three minutes.

12. You understand the sentence, “Could you please pass me a serviette? I just spilled my poutine”.

13. You can drink legally while still a teenager.

14. You know what a Robertson screwdriver is.

15. You know what a “toque” is.


17. You drink pop, not soda.

18. You know that a mickey and two-fours mean “Party at the camp, eh?”

19. You stand in “line-ups” at the movie, not lines.

20. You talk about the weather with strangers and friends alike.
21. When there is a social problem, you turn to your government to fix it instead of telling them to stay out of it.

22. You're not sure if the leader of your nation has ever had sex and you don't want to know if he has!

23. You get milk in bags as well as cartons and plastic jugs.

24. Pike is a type of fish, not some part of a highway.

25. You drive on a highway, not a freeway.

26. You have Canadian Tire money in your kitchen drawers.

27. You know that Thrills are something to chew and “taste like soap”.

28. You know that the Friendly Giant isn't a vegetable product line.

29. You know that Casey and Finnegan are not a Celtic musical group.

30. You participated in “Participaction”.

31. You have an Inuit carving.

32. You wonder why there isn't a 5 dollar coin, as you can only use more change.

33. Unlike any international assassin/terrorist/spy in the world, you don't possess a Canadian passport.

34. You use a red pen on your non-Canadian textbooks and fill in the missing u's from labor, honor, color, etc.

35. You know the French equivalents of “free”, “prize”, and “no sugar added”, thanks to your extensive education in bilingual cereal packaging.

36. You are excited whenever an American television show mentions Canada.

37. You make a mental note to talk about it at work the next day.

38. You can do all the hand actions to Sharon, Lois and Bram's “Skin-a-ma-rink-a-dink-a-dink” opus.

39. You were mad when “The Beachcombers” were taken off the air.

40. You have some memento of Bob and Doug.
41. You know Toronto is not a province.

42. You never miss “Coaches Corner”.

43. Back bacon and Kraft Dinner are two of your favourite food groups.

44. You smile when people discover that calling you a “Canuck” isn't an insult.

45. When someone yells “car!” you automatically reach for the hockey net.

46. You brag to Americans that: Shania Twain, Jim Carrey, Celine Dion, Alanis Morisette, Avril Lavigne and more, are Canadians.

47. You design your Halloween costume to fit over a snowsuit.

48. You know that the last letter of the English alphabet is always pronounced “Zed”.

49. Your local newspaper covers the national news on 2 pages, but requires 6 pages for hockey.

50. You know that the four seasons mean: almost winter, winter, still winter, and road work.

51. You know that when it's 25 degrees outside, it's a warm day.

52. You understand the Labatt Blue commercials.

53. You know how to pronounce and spell “Saskatchewan”.

54. You perk up when you hear the theme song from “Hockey Night in Canada”.

55. You are in grade 12, not the 12th grade.

56. “Eh?” is a very important part of your vocabulary, and is more polite than “Huh?”

57. You've frozen your tongue to something metal and lived to tell about it.

58. You have Canadian Tire money in places you wouldn't expect to find it.

59. You know that the biggest flag ever seen in an Olympic closing ceremony was Canadian (twice...and the second was smuggled in against the rule that was made because of the first one).

60. You know that Mr Dressup can kick Mr Roger's a**.

61. You know that in the war of 1812, we burned the White House and most of Washington.
62. You know that the Canadian “Civil War” was lead by a drunken, insane William Lyon McKenzie.

63. You know that the Canadian “Civil War” was a bar fight that lasted a little less than an hour.

64. You know that plaid flannel was cool way before Seattle did.

65. You know what to do with all parts of a buffalo.

66. You know that any scale that says water boils at 212 and freezes at 32 is asinine.

67. You wear socks with our sandals.

68. You know that Canadian can out drink Americans.

69. You know all the words to “If I had a million dollars” by The Barenaked Ladies, including the inter-stanza banter between Steven and Ed.

70. You hum David Foster's 88 Calgary Olympics theme in the shower.

71. You make up patriotic lyrics to go along with David Foster's 88 Calgary Olympics theme.

72. You remember when Alanis Morrissette was “Too Hot To Hold”.

73. You can't do that on television...

74. You think there isn't enough of Peter Gzowski to go around. You think Ed the Sock is funny.

75. You spend hours in the dark making scale models of the Avro Arrow and cursing the Diefenbaker government.

76. You cried when Gus “drowned” on Road To Avonlea.

77. You watch MuchMusic constantly, in the hopes of occasional fleeting glimpses of The Tragically Hip.

78. You have memorized the Heritage Foundation's Heritage Moments, including your favourites, “Burnt Toast!”, “You know I canna read a word...”, and “Kanata”.

79. You can sing “O' Canada” in French and actually know what the words mean!

80. You advocate the abolition of responsible government in favour of monarchist rule.

81. You think there isn't enough Queen on our currency.
82. You send angry letters to the CBC demanding the return of the Hinterland Who's Who spots so you can finally find out what happens to the arctic ptarmigan in winter.

83. You know what “CBC” stands for.

84. You think Peter Mansbridge is sexy.

85. You think Lloyd Robertson is sexy.

86. You think Peter Kent is sexy.

87. You think Brad Pitt is so-so.

88. You know that Peter Jennings is a Canadian.

89. You now that Glen Ford is a Newfie.

90. You also know (unfortunately) that Pamela Anderson is a Canadian.

91. You stand in line for hours for Another Roadside Attraction tickets.

92. You killed your best friend for Another Roadside Attraction tickets.

93. You think Great Big Sea isn't Maritime-centric enough.

94. Your graduation formal dress was made of flannel.

95. Your backpack has more than one Canadian flag iron-on.

96. You know that the Crash Test Dummies are from Winnipeg.

97. You know the names of all the guys in Sloan.

98. You know what the phrase “need to plug in the car” means.

99. You have been on Speaker's Corner. Bonus points if The Devil's Advocates made fun of you.

100. You know that Sir. John A. Macdonald was a drunk.

101. You know more than three guys named Gordon.

102. You think Ashley MacIssac isn't Celtic enough.

103. You remember “Jodie” from Today's Special and wonder why you keep seeing her
reading news on the CBC.

104. You can do the hand actions to Sharon, Lois and Bram's “Skin-a-marink-dinki-do”.

105. You know why “killerwhaletank” is funny.

106. You know that a “Premier” isn't a baby born a few months early.

107. You actually watch The Gemini Awards, The Genie Awards, and The Juno Awards. You wonder why Stompin' Tom doesn't get his own category in all three. You scream passionately at the television when your favourite Canadian performers are overlooked by their respective academies.

108. You think -10 C (14F) is mild weather.

109. You have twins named Donovan and Bailey.

110. You have twins named Wayne and Gretzky (alternatively Gordie and Howe).

111. Thinking of Johnny Wayne causes gales of laughter.

112. You burst out laughing when someone says, “Hi! I'm Ed Broadbent!”

113. You're proud that Captain Kirk came from Montreal.

114. You wished that Relic's boat would get crushed to bits by one of those logs.

115. You know why Brett Hull should be hung, drawn and quartered.

116. You actually understand these jokes, and forward them to all of your friends...

117. You read rather than scanned this list.