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Things To Do:



Honda Indy Toronto

July 15-17, 2016
Exhibition Place

<http://www.hondaindytoronto.com/>

Toronto Ribfest

June 30 - July 03, 2016
Centennial Park

<http://torontoribfest.com/>



Toronto's Festival of Beer

Refreshing Beer
Great Music

July 22 - July 24, 2016
Exhibition Place

<http://beerfestival.ca/>



Beaches International Jazz Festival

July 02 - July 24, 2016
Woodbine Park

<http://beachesjazz.com/>



FRIDAY JULY 1 IS CANADA DAY!

On July 1, 1867, Canada became a country. It was made up of four provinces: Nova Scotia; New Brunswick; Ontario; and Quebec.

The anniversary of this date was called Dominion Day until 1982. After 1982 July 1st became Canada Day.

In many towns and cities, municipal governments organize events, often outdoors. These include pancake breakfasts, parades, concerts, carnivals, festivals, firework displays and citizenship ceremonies for new Canadian citizens. **Check your local municipality's website** to find out what is going on near you.

Canada's national flag will be widely displayed and a lot of people paint their faces red and white, which are Canada's national colours.

July 1st is a statutory holiday in Canada which means many organizations, businesses and stores will be closed. All government offices will also be closed.

Click on the flag to see what is going on in your region for Canada Day!



Do you have friends or family visiting you this summer?

Are you going to show them the sights?

You might want to purchase a **CityPASS**.

It is a coupon book with discounts on the admission fees to 5 of Toronto's best tourist attractions. Click on the picture to go to their website.



Be Sure to Like Us on Facebook!

CLICK HERE:

<https://www.facebook.com/l.parkerrowland>

Canadian Living

INSPIRING IDEAS FOR EVERY DAY

Is a magazine with information about relationships, style, health, family, food and life in Canada.

Click on their logo above to go to their website.



A fun activity for the whole family is **Tree Top Trekking**. A centre is

located at the Bruce's Mill Conservation Area. Reservations are recommended. Click on the logo to go to their website to learn more.

DON'T FORGET....

If you are taking time off from your lessons for vacation, let your tutor and the English Matters office know well in advance.



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DID YOU KNOW....?

Level 1 (Beginner)

The Niagara Falls are on the border of New York, (USA), and Ontario, (Canada).

They are made up of 3 waterfalls:
The American Falls
The Bridal Veil Falls
The Horseshoe Falls.

Click on the picture to see & hear the falls.



Level 2 (Intermediate)

The Niagara Falls are located on the Niagara River.

The river drains water from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario.

The Falls are about 12,000 years old.

They were formed by glaciers.

The word Niagara comes from the word "onguiaahra" which means "a thundering noise".

Level 3 (Advanced)

It is illegal to go over the Falls. However, some daredevils have tried in the past, using custom-designed barrels. Some have succeeded, and others have died trying. The first person to successfully go over the falls in a barrel was Annie Taylor in 1901.

At the current rate of erosion, scientists believe that the Niagara Falls will be gone in about 50,000 years...so you still have time to see them! But don't go over them!

More Things To Do:

Lakeview Market

Vendors set up their shops at **Harbourfront Centre** offering clothing, crafts & much more.

Dates: July 1 – September 5

Taste of the Danforth

August 05 - August 07
Danforth Avenue

Tickets are not needed.
Simply pay individual vendors.

Click on the picture to go to the website.



Canadian National Exhibition Roller Coasters & Candy Floss!

Dates: August 19 - September 05

Location: Exhibition Grounds, Toronto

General Admission: \$18

Seniors: \$14

Children (13 & under): \$14

Children 4 & under: Free

Click on the logo to go to the website.



Day Out with Thomas

Uxbridge

Aug 12-14 & 19-21

York-Durham Heritage Railway
Take a ride with Thomas the Tank Engine, meet the railway controller Sir Topham Hatt, have fun in the Imagination Station, see authentic engines and enjoy tons of activities!



JAPANESE CANADIAN
CULTURAL CENTRE
日系文化会館

Natsu Matsuri and Obon Festival at the JCCC

Saturday July 9, 2016

Click on the JCCC logo to go their website

Scarborough Summerfest 2016

Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

5183 Sheppard Ave., East,
Scarborough
July 8 – 10



Persian Summer Bazaar

Richmond Green Park
1300 Elgin Mills Rd. East
Sat July 9 & Sun July 10



Have you ever asked...

- Where is the nearest after-hours medical clinic?
- What are the operating hours of my local library?
- My garbage did not get picked up. Who do I tell?

It can be difficult to **find the right person to answer these questions.**

In the city of Toronto they have made it easy; just **dial 3-1-1.**

You can use this simple 3 digit number to find out about the City of Toronto's services and programs.

The people answering the calls have instant access to interpreters that **speak over 180 languages.**



Nostalgic News:

Here are some articles from previous **English Matters** Newsletters that you might find interesting. Clicking on the title will take you to the newsletter with the article. Just scroll through the newsletter until you find the article.

- * [Everything you need to know before fishing in Ontario](#)
- * [The Niagara Escarpment](#)
- * [Perform an Act of Kindness](#)
- * [Where to Find A Farmer's Market](#)

Nostalgic
Something that takes you back to a former time.

You can see a real totem pole at the ROM

CANADIAN HISTORY & CULTURE CORNER

Totem poles are found in the Pacific Northwest - British Columbia. They are carved by First Nations people from cedar and depict the totem, or spirit of kin (family or ancestors), from the tribe.

The designs and customs around totem poles are quite complex. The figures include the members of the tribe, their status and the tribe's history as well as a mythological creature to look over the tribe. They show power and privilege.



WHAT HAS HAPPENED SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER?

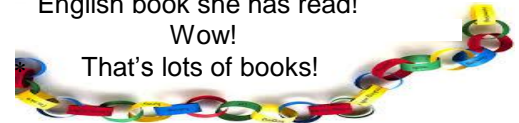
English Matters:

- * Took some students to a Traditional PowWow at Fort York.
- * Took students to visit Gibson House Museum.
- * Helped a student in Traffic Court.
- * Encouraged Hinako to create a long chain, where each link represents an English book she has read!



Wow!

That's lots of books!



What can we do for you?

You might want to try the **flippe** app.

It gives you digital access to all of the **grocery store flyers and coupons.** You can search a product to find out who has it on sale. You can make shopping lists. You can use the app to price match with the cashier.

CHECK IT OUT!



This is an example of one feature.

The app will highlight all of the items in a store's flyer that are discounted by at least 14%.

Then, you can save these items on a separate page!