

## Grade Four

### General Sites

- [Government of Alberta Website](#)  
General Alberta Information, includes some great landscape images and overview provincial information.
- [The Spirit of Alberta](#)  
"A collaborative 2Learn site developed to celebrate Alberta's Centennial, honour our heritage, celebrate our present, and ignite our children's passion for their future." Provides projects, resources links, etc. for a variety of Alberta focused topics.
- [Alberta's History](#)  
Great links collected by Sites the Edmonton Public library (check "Selected Web Sites").
- [Alberta: Home, Home on the Plains](#)  
*"Make Alberta's history come alive through images, text and CKUA Radio Network's Heritage Trails." Topics include: Alberta: How the West was Young Alberta, Naturally, Alberta's Political History, Alberta's Natural Resources , the Famous 5 and Albertan's: Who Do They Think They Are?"*  
*"The archival collection (digital) includes many aspects of the history, tall tales, humour and stories of Alberta. Manuscripts, reminiscences, stories, plays, poems, photographs and other materials are included."* section on geographic names provides additional background on place names.
- [Alberta Folklore and Local History Collection](#)

### 4.12 What are the significant natural resources in Alberta and where are they located?

- [Teacher Resource Centre - Wood Buffalo National Park of Canada](#)  
Fact Sheet (Eng. & Fre.) Site has other links also.
- [Alberta Naturally](#)  
Provides information on nature/science related of Alberta. Subsections include ecosystems, environmental issues, geology, natural regions, etc.
- [Alberta – Wish You Were Here](#)  
An example of student projects focusing on the shaping of the landscape and how the landscape effects us.
- [Gateway to Alberta's Parks](#)  
Access information on a variety of elements about Alberta's provincial parks.
- [National Parks in Alberta](#)  
Links to information on National parks located in Alberta.
- [Royal Tyrell Museum](#)  
A variety of subsections providing information on this world-renowned museum.
- [Oil Sands Discovery Centre](#)  
Information on this Fort McMurray attraction and the story of the oil sands.

- [University of California - Berkeley – Museum of Paleontology](#)  
Has resources that may be of use for this outcome. See particularly the section containing educational resources - "discover the History of Life."

#### 4.2 – The Stories, Histories and Peoples of Alberta

- [Niitsitapiisini-Our Way of Life-Glenbow Museum](#)  
This trilingual site (English, French and Blackfoot) is an interactive and very visual site, which offers traditional stories and information of how the Blackfoot people interacted with others, interacted amongst them, importance of the buffalo and a glimpse into the worldview of the Blackfoot people.
- [Mavericks – An Incurable History of Alberta](#) (Eng. & Fre.)  
A fantastic site utilizing artifacts from the Glenbow Museum in Calgary. Multiple themes are the focus. Includes a great teacher sections, timeline, maps, etc.
- [Library and Archives Canada; Passageways: True Tales of Adventure for Young Explorers.](#) (Eng. & Fre.) Tells the stories of exploration in Canada, contains historical maps, a list of books and links about explorers, and lesson plans and activities for teachers to use. Contains information on those who explored in Alberta.
- [Alberta Source – Alberta's Online Encyclopedia](#)  
Multiple links to many links related to this and other outcomes. Be sure to check the History Now and Learning sections! Worth exploring.  
Alberta Source – Quick Links Page <http://www.abheritage.ca/>
- [A Little History.com](#)  
Contains historic photos and accounts of life in Western Canada, talks about the Mounties, homesteading, life on the farm; all with the use of personal stories, diary entries and memoirs; "samples of Western Canadian history." This unique assortment of eight files begin with the "Wild West" in 1874 and end with predictions for the future in the "2010 Life in the Future" file."
- [Center for Digital Storytelling](#)  
Wonderful site to use in having the students read, record and share stories; website that encourages "sharing stories [to] assist young people and adults in using the tools of digital media to craft, record, share, and value the stories of individuals and communities, in ways that improve all our lives."
- [Exploration, the Fur Trade and the Hudson's Bay Company](#)  
Includes resources and lesson plans for teachers; offers another perspective on the fur trade, from that of the HBC. *"This site is about the fur trade in Canada and how it led to the exploration of the country and the formation of the oldest and largest company in Canadian history: Hudson's Bay Company. In fact, the history of the fur trade, Hudson's Bay Company and the exploration of Canada are so intertwined that they can not be separated."*
- [Letters From the Trunk](#)  
"Visit a virtual train station filled with photographs, newspapers, posters and recordings that provides evidence of the lives and experiences of Canadian immigrants."
- [People of Alberta](#)  
*"Through an interactive map students can navigate to the various parts of the world where present-day Albertans have come from. They will find background information regarding the*

*different cultural groups in the province and examples of how they have adapted to life and maintain their cultural identities in modern Alberta."*

- [The Memory Project – Digital Archive](#)  
An online database that houses the oral histories and artifacts of more than 350 Canadian veterans.
- ["Our Future, Our Past": The Alberta Heritage Digitization Project](#)  
"An ongoing, not-for-profit endeavor to provide all those interested in Alberta's history free, online access to cultural and heritage materials. Browse newspapers from 1885, read entire books about local communities, research legal documents, view historic photographs, and explore much more!"
- [Our Roots / Nos Raciness](#) (Eng. & Fre.)  
*"Our Roots is a library, archive, museum and school all in one. Check the collection to find Canadian local histories in French and English. Check Educational Resources for learning packages for students and teachers."*
- [Peel's Prairie Provinces](#)  
*"Peel's Prairie Provinces is a resource focusing on the history and culture of the Canadian Prairies. The site contains both an online bibliography of books, pamphlets, and other materials related to the development of the Prairies and a fully searchable collection of the full texts of many of these items. As of September 2004, the Peel bibliographic database holds some 7,200 titles, approximately 2,500 of which have already been rendered in digital form and mounted on the Web site." See particularly the Educational Section and the Collections*
- [Hudson's Bay Company](#)  
Company's history and education support site. Includes a timeline and "Young Explorers" sections.
- [Canadian Heroes in Fact and Fiction](#) (Eng. & Fre.)  
This web site explores themes that characterize some Canadian heroes.
- [The Fort Museum of the Northwest Mounted Police](#)
- [Origins of the RCMP](#)  
Information from the RCMP's site.
- [The Kid's Site of Canadian Settlement](#)  
Basic in nature, looks at settlement of 12 groups in Canada. Provides resources links and games.
- [Canada in the Making](#)  
*"This site is about the history of Canada through the words of the men and women who shaped the nation. Built around the Government Documents collection of the Early Canadiana Online collection, it integrates narrative text with links to primary source texts."*
- [Pier 21](#)  
A National Historic Site, pier 21 was the prime entry point for immigrants from 1928-1971. Of particular interest are the Resources Section and the Pier 21 stories.
- [Early Days - Homesteaders](#)  
Describes the life of the settlers who traveled to the prairies in hopes of a better life and for the

chance to have their own homestead. Links to other information. Much of the information relates to Saskatchewan.

#### **4.2.2 Critically assess how culture heritage and linguistic diversity of Alberta has evolved over time**

- [Métis Culture and Heritage Resource Centre](#)  
Includes information on the Métis Culture, including language lessons, recipes, culture, biographies, historical maps, and much more.
- [The Louis Riel Institute](#)  
Site includes history of the Red River Métis and Louis Riel, food, clothing, art, photos, women's involvement, and much, much more. Excellent for information. There are links to other Métis information sites from libraries and museums. Only available in English.
- [Alberta Métis Historical Society](#)  
This is an informational site created by the Alberta Métis Historical Society. It has interesting information about the Métis people, links to sites about battles cultural history, pinnacle people and events, some poor quality videos, but excellent photos. Well worth a visit!
- [Canada's First Nations](#)  
"This website looks at the history of Canada's aboriginal people in the past up to today. It includes examples of aboriginal myths, migration theories, and human habitation and settlement."
- [Alberta's Francophone Heritage](#) (Eng. & Fre.)  
Tells the history of the Francophone, the stories of Francophone communities, and Francophone contributions to Alberta.

#### **4.3.3 Critically examine Alberta's changing cultural and social dynamics**

- [Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site](#)  
Provides information about the site but also tells about the history of the area, the site and how it relates to the fur trade; contains links to the other historic sites and national parks in Canada.
- [Fort Edmonton Park](#)  
Full of images! "Students will experience the social and cultural world of Fort Edmonton from the comfort of the classroom. This site offers a virtual glimpse of the culture and heritage entrenched in the fur trade. The students are able to explore every section of the fur trading post..."
- [Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump](#)  
Site on this World Heritage site includes a virtual tour, information on Blackfoot history and much more.
- [Luxton Museum of the Plains Indians](#)  
"The Buffalo Nations Cultural Society invites you to explore the extraordinary history of the Indians of the Northern Plains and Canadian Rockies." Topics include: history/background, hunter/warrior. Spiritual life and daily life.
- [Glenbow Museum](#)
- [Royal Alberta Museum](#)

- [Father Lacombe Chapel](#)  
Part of page on Métis heritage sites. Link to other locations from here.
- [Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village](#)  
Also available in Ukrainian
- [Museums and Historic Sites Listing](#)  
Listing and links to Alberta's many museums and historical sites.
- [Place Names of Alberta](#)
- [Alberta Community Profiles](#)
- [Alberta – Canada – Flags of the World](#)  
Provides information on many flags associated with Alberta's history.
- [Agriculture, Food and Rural Development – Fairs and Exhibitions](#)  
*"The Alberta Fairs and Exhibitions guide is your passport to fairs, shows and special events organized by thousand of volunteers in Agricultural Societies. It includes everything from small town fairs to big city exhibitions and ranges from cattle shows to arts and craft shows."* Listings are by date.
- [Alberta All Events](#)  
Commercial site listing events by town.