



ACTIVITY 4 WORKSHEET: CANADA'S SPECIAL PLACES QUIZ

Use your knowledge of Canadian geography and Internet searches to identify the Canadian province or territory where each of the following officially protected areas is found. Each is found in a different province or territory.

Description	Province or Territory
1. The richest dinosaur fossil beds in the world are located in the badlands of Dinosaur Provincial Park. It is part of a larger system of provincially protected natural areas.	
2. The world's largest goose colony nests in the Dewey Soper Migratory Bird Sanctuary, protected as part of a national system.	
3. Giant sand dunes and golden beaches form two of the largest freshwater baymouth sandbars in the world at Sandbanks Provincial Park. Efforts to stabilize shifting sands disturbed by farming have revived populations of rare and distinctive dune plants.	
4. Basin Head is a shallow coastal lagoon inhabited by a rich diversity of plants (including a type of Irish moss found nowhere else on earth), fish, mammals, and birds. This fragile ecosystem is being considered for designation as part of a national system of marine protected areas.	
5. North America's oldest waterfowl sanctuary is Last Mountain Lake set aside by Parliament in 1887 to protect breeding grounds for wild fowl. It is now part of an international system of migratory bird sanctuaries under an agreement with the United States.	
6. A provincially protected natural heritage river, the 120-km Margaree-Lake Ainslie System is renowned for natural beauty and deep salmon pools. The icy, clear waters provide excellent spawning areas for Atlantic salmon and trout.	
7. Riding Mountain Biosphere Reserve protects an ecologically important area where prairie grasslands and boreal forests meet. It is protected as a national park and listed under an international agreement as a World Biosphere Reserve.	
8. Cap Tourmente was the first Canadian wetland to be included in the list of Wetlands of International Importance. This site protects the most important resting and feeding area for hundreds of thousands of greater snow geese during fall migration.	
9. The largest park in Canada is Wood Buffalo National Park, home of the world's largest bison herd and the last remaining natural nesting site of the endangered whooping crane. This park actually spans a province and a territory and it is protected and managed by Parks Canada.	
10. La dune de Bouctouche was developed by J.D. Irving Ltd., a private corporation, to preserve and restore one of the few remaining great sand dunes on the area's sea coast. The 12-km dune is habitat for a rich variety of marine and aquatic plants and animals, especially shorebirds and other migratory birds.	
11. The Elk Valley, characterized by spectacular mountain vistas and clear rivers, is an important travel corridor for grizzly bears and grey wolves. The Nature Conservancy of Canada is working with a large landowner, Tembec Inc., to protect these important lands.	
12. Witless Bay Seabird Ecological Reserve is a provincially protected area of spectacular scenery where over a million seabirds soar, nest, and feed. This province has one of the largest concentrations of seabirds in the world.	
13. Kluane National Park and Reserve is home to Mount Logan, Canada's highest peak. Almost 22,000 square kilometres of high mountains, immense icefields, and lush valleys are protected here in our national parks system.	