Otázka: Canada and Ireland

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#### Canada

- The capital is **Ottawa**
- Total area: Almost 10 million km²
- Another cities are Toronto, Edmonton, Halifax, Victoria, Montreal, Quebec
- Official languages are both English and French (in Quebec)
- Currency is a Canadian dollar
- Population: 32, 4 million
- It has 10 provinces (British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec,

New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador) and **3 territories** (Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut)

- A member of G7, Commonwealth, NATO,...
- The head of state is Elizabeth II.
- Many little islands in the north belong to Canada too
- Official sport is ice hockey

#### **Geography**

Canada occupies the northern part of North America

- It shares land borders with the United States to the south and with Alaska to the northwest
- In the east there is Atlantic ocean, in the west Pacific ocean, in the north Arctic ocean
- Forests cover almost half of Canada
- **The Great Lakes** in the south (Lake Michigan, Lake Erie, Ontario, Lake Superior, Huron...)
- Famous Niagara Falls are located between the Lake Ontario and the Lake Erie
- <u>Rivers:</u> **St. Lawrence** (which flows through the lakes and empties into the Atlantic Ocean) or **Mackenzie** (flowing into the Arctic Ocean)
- Canada has also high mountain ranges, such as the Rocky Mountains and the
  Mackenzie Mountains
- The highest mountain is **Mt. Logan** (5961 m)
- Many national parks Jasper National Park
- system of volcanoes is called Pacific Ring of Fire
- Canada is the world's second-largest country in total area, after Russia

#### **Climate**

- South Canada lies in the temperate (continental), North Canada in the arctic region

#### Fauna:

Wild animals like bears, elks and reindeers or wolfs

#### **Industry and agriculture**

- Canada is one of the world's wealthiest nations
- They exploit: Coal, oil and gas, zinc, silver or uranium and also gold (Gold was discovered in 1896 and the great gold rush in history started)
- Canada is the biggest exporter of wood
- One of the most important economic branches is the fishing
- They grow: Wheat, corn or vegetables

## **Population and Religion**

- most people are in Ontario (13,119,251)
- largest cities: Toronto, Montreal, Calgary, Ottawa, Edmonton
- ethnic origins: Canadian, English, French, Scottish, Irish
- area of Quebec is francophonic
- religions: Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim

# <u>Ireland</u>

- The Republic of Ireland is a parliamentary democracy
- The capital is **Dublin**
- Other big cities: Limerick, Cork, Galway
- The country is on the island of Ireland which is to the west of the United Kingdom
- It has a border with only one country and it is the UK, Northern Ireland in particular

- The **Irish Sea** separates it from Great Britain and the **Celtic Sea** from Europe, in the west there is **Atlantic Ocean**
- Official languages are English and Irish
- Their currency is Euro
- A member of EU and OECD, not a member of NATO but participates in operations of OSN
- Very high Human Development Index (something like a standard of living)
- Spans across 70,273 km<sup>2</sup>, with population of 4,581,269 people

#### **Geography:**

- mostly flat area in the midlands, ringed by mountain ranges
- highest point is Carrauntoohil located in the Macgillycuddy's Reeks
- other notable mountain ranges are the **Wicklow Mountains** in the east also known as the **Dublin Mountains**
- western coastline is rugged, with many islands, peninsulas, headlands and bays
- central lowlands are covered with glacial deposits of clay and sand, as well as significant areas of **bogland** (rašeliniště) and several lakes such as Lough Derg and Lough and Lough Ree
- longest river is the River Shannon flowing through Limerick and Central Plain

#### **Climate**

- is temperate and it rains very often
- influence of the Gulf Stream

#### **Fauna**

- red fox, European hedgehog, stoat (Lasice hranostaj), Irish hare (Zajíc bělák)

# **Other information**

- In foreign countries the Irish population is higher than in Ireland
- Food processing industry, chemical industry, electronics
- Extraction of lead, zinc, peat, natural gas, silver