

**CLB 5 – September Question**Name: Date: **Immigration History****CLB 5 – “Land of Immigrants”**

The majority of Canadians were born in this country and this has been true since the 1800s. However, Canada is often referred to as a land of immigrants because, over the past 200 years, millions of newcomers have helped to build and defend our way of life.

Many ethnic and religious groups live and work in peace as proud Canadians. The largest groups are the English, French, Scottish, Irish, German, Italian, Chinese, Aboriginal, Ukrainian, Dutch, South Asian and Scandinavian. Since the 1970s, most immigrants have come from Asian countries.

Non-official languages are widely spoken in Canadian homes. Chinese languages are the second most-spoken at home, after English, in two of Canada’s biggest cities. In Vancouver, 13% of the population speak Chinese languages at home; in Toronto, the number is 7%.

**Review Question:**

Why is Canada known as the "land of immigrants"?

- Canada has more immigrants than people born in Canada
- Millions of newcomers have helped to build Canada
- Canada is easy to immigrate to
- Immigrants do all the work in Canada