

ONTARIO FAMILY CHALLENGE

SUPERSTAR CHALLENGE (FOR ANYONE!)

The Superstar Challenge section of the Ontario Family Challenge offers no prizes, except the satisfaction of accomplishing amazing feats of knowledge and problem-solving. It is for those who think they know everything, or who love trying to solve puzzles that would be difficult even for adults. It is intended to inspire you to learn things that you didn't know, to do research in new ways, and to work together with your family. The Superstar Challenge begins on the next page. Have fun!!



WHAT COMES NEXT?

What Comes Next?

1. B, C, D, E, G, _____

2. BCASMO _____

3. MVEMJ _____

4. EGBD _____

5. 1867, 1870, 1871, _____

6. Macdonald, Blake, Mowat, Hardy, _____

What do these numbers represent?

1. 519, 705, 613, 416 _____

2. 2, 11, 417, 28 _____

3. 1, 5, 10, 25, 100, 200 _____



JUST ANSWER THE QUESTION

1. How did Tiny Township and Tay Township get their names?

2. What's unusual about the name John Hamilton Gray?

3. At the Winter Olympics in Turin, the colour commentator for women's hockey was from Ontario. Who was she?

4. What did Bill Quackenbush win? Why was his win unusual?

5. Who were Brown, Campbell and Cockburn?

6. What is Bill Murdock's connection to Ontario?

7. What did Steve Fonyo accomplish?

8. What is unusual about Ernst Drury and Bob Rae?

9. What was the capital of the United Province of Canada in 1841?

10. Where would you find "Ut inceptit fidelis, sic permanet?" What does it mean?



PALINDROMES



A palindrome is a word, phrase, verse or sentence that reads exactly the same, whether you read it backwards or forwards.
Two examples are **kayak** and **Niagara, O roar again!**

1. List five palindromes beginning (and ending) with P.

2. What palindromes can be read not only forwards and backwards, but also upside down?

3. What's the longest English word that is a palindrome?

4. What is the name of the mythical creature believed to inhabit Okanagan Lake in British Columbia?

5. What is the palindrome used as the name of a character in the book "Holes" by Louis Sachar?

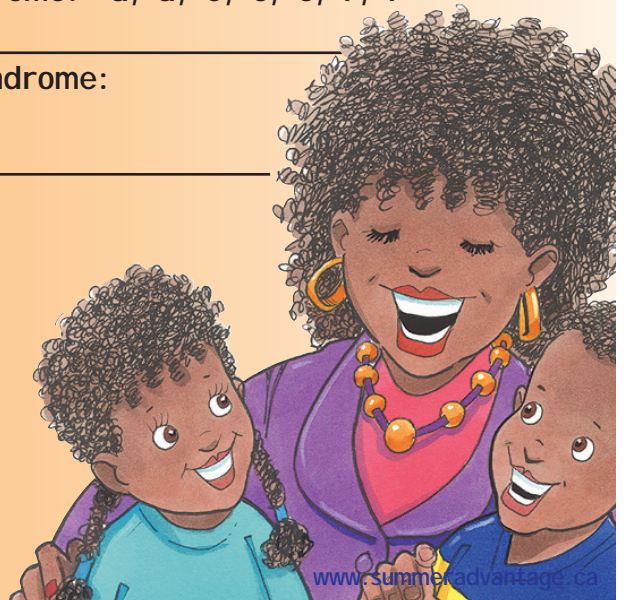
6. Napoleon, a great general and Emperor of France, is credited with coining a palindrome (in English!!) when he was imprisoned and sent to the island of Elba. What was the phrase?

7. A famous pop music group has a palindrome for a name. What is it?

8. For some math fun, try: $111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 =$

9. Convert these letters into a two-word palindrome: a, a, e, c, c, r, r

10. Convert these letters into a four-word palindrome:
e, e, l, l, m, m, n, n, n, n, o, o, o, o



GONE AND FORGOTTEN?

What were:

1. Eaton's and Simpson's? _____
2. Monarch and Frontenac? _____
3. Wildfire and Jersey Nut? _____
4. Joy and B/A? _____
5. Mello-roll and skyscraper? _____
6. Rambler and DeSoto? _____
7. Kik and Wilson's Amber? _____
8. Lansing and Aikenhead's? _____

FOR EXPERTS ABOUT TORONTO

What or who were:

1. Summerville and Lamport? _____
2. Dufferin and Long Branch? _____
3. Lansing and Mimico? _____
4. Ravina Gardens and Mutual Street? _____
5. Maple Leaf and Exhibition? _____
6. Sunnyside and Centre Island? _____

