

Activity #2 Canadian English Do's and Don'ts ... **OR** It Depends ...

Part A.

Answer these questions as a group with yes/no/it depends.

In the Canadian context is it OK to ...

1. Address your instructor/ professor/ associate dean by first name?
2. Address your professor/ associate dean by Dr. + first name?
3. Start an email to your "superior" with "Hey + first name"?
4. Introduce yourself in person as Mr./Ms. + last name?
5. Say "hi" to people you don't know on the street?
6. Use "he" to refer to a CEO of a company even if you don't know if the gender of that person?
7. Use "I" or "we" in an academic assignment?
8. Use this sentence in the first paragraph of a cover letter: "Please check my resume for the bookkeeper position."

Part B.

Skim the article <https://www.babbel.com/en/magazine/canadian-english-vs-american-english> to find the answers to these questions. Work as a group.

1. How do Canadians spell:
 - a) color/ colour
 - b) traveled/travelled
 - c) recognize/recognise
2. What is Timmies?
3. What is the article's definition of Standard Canadian English?
4. What are three nuggets of information that are new to you?