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Canadian Symbol Analysis

Directions: Read the information about four Canadian symbols. Then answer the analysis questions using complete sentences.

Maple Leaf: The maple leaf has been connected to Canada for hundreds of years. Maple trees grow in many parts of the country, and their leaves became a recognizable sign of Canadian identity.

Beaver: The beaver is an important national symbol because it played a major role in Canada's early fur trade. Its hardworking nature also represents determination and cooperation.

National Flag: Canada's flag has two red bars and a red, eleven pointed maple leaf in the center. The colors and design were chosen to represent unity, pride, and the natural environment.

National Anthem: The anthem, **O Canada**, is sung at national events and celebrations. It expresses love, loyalty, and respect for the country.

1. Why do you think the **maple leaf** became an important symbol for Canada?
2. How does the **beaver** represent qualities that Canadians value?
3. Explain what the design of the **national flag** might tell people about Canada.
4. What feelings or ideas are expressed in **O Canada**?
5. Which symbol do you think represents Canada the best and why?