

# Unit 6

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## Rivers as Roads: Graphic Organizer

You will practise the *summarizing strategy* by completing the *Rivers as Roads Graphic Organizer*.

Follow these instructions:

- First, write the **main idea** of the report in the top box.
- Then write **three key ideas** in the report in the blue boxes.
- Add two or three **supporting details** the boxes under each key idea.

The fur trade was very important for the economy and growth of New France and led people to explore regions they had never been before.

The fur trade was a very good way to make money.

Coureur de bois led a rough life.

Many coureur do bois married First Nations women.

Many young men set out to trade with the First Nations.

They encountered rapids, bugs, cold weather, and food shortages.

They learned how to build canoes and shelters.

They were called coureur de bois or runners of the woods.

Many travelled for months at a time.

They learned to make preserved meat and berries called pemmican.

Travelled by water as there were no roads.

These men helped to draw the map of Eastern and Central Canada.

Their children were the first Metis.