

Unit 6

Name: _____

Date: _____

Place Names Chart

Before Reading

Think about why people and places have the names they have. Consider your name.

Ask someone the following questions and record your answers in the space provided.



Websites

If you do not know what your name means, you can look it up here:

Origins of Names (<http://www.behindthename.com/>).

1. Your Name:

i. Where does your name come from?

ii. Were you named after someone?

iii. Why was your name chosen for you?

iv. What does your name mean?

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Think about the origins of some of the place names you see.

Preview the map and the illustrations on pages 158 and 159 of *Literacy in Action 6B*, then predict the category for the origin of two place names. Add these predictions to the chart below.

Name of Place:	Category:
1.	
2.	

During Reading

Read the text on page 157 of *Literacy in Action 6B*. Compare the categories there with the ideas you had.

Then, read the labels on pages 158 and 159 of **Literacy in Action 6B** and decide on a category (First Peoples' name, European, original, landscape, an event, humour) for the name. Write the category you choose on the chart below.

Name of Place:	Category:
1. Destruction Bay	
2. Belly-up Canyon	
3. Fort Resolution	
4. Wetaskiwin	
5. Moose Jaw	
6. Portage la Prairie	

7. Grise Fiord	
8. Pelee Island	
9. Puvirnituq	
10. Cap Diamant	
11. Portage Kamushkuapetshiskuakanishit	
12. Aroostook River	
13. Mistake River	
14. Witless Bay	

After Reading

Answer the following questions:

1. Which names do you think reveal the most about the places? What do they reveal?

2. Which names and stories surprised you? Why?