



Kayak: Canada's History Magazine for Kids

Editorial Guidelines

Kayak is published four times a year by Canada's National History Society in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Founded in 2004, *Kayak's* mission is to capture the imaginations of children by introducing them to the who, what, when, where, why and how of Canada's rich and fascinating history. With fresh writing, compelling illustrations, and playful design, we seek to take our readers to a past that they will find engaging, relevant and fun.

Audience and Content

Kayak is for children ages 7 to 12. Our editorial content is designed to present stories from Canada's past in an entertaining and interactive way, while simultaneously providing our readers with the information they need to critically consider historical ideas, events and issues.

Each issue of *Kayak* is centred on a general theme, with all articles and content relating to that theme in some way. The theme provides a sense of cohesion to the issue, but allows for enough flexibility to include stories from a broad range of time periods, Canadian geographical locations and cultural perspectives.

There are only 34 pages in *Kayak*, and as such, the articles in the magazine tend to be short. Each issue of *Kayak* contains two feature stories (one fiction and one non-fiction) of approximately 800 words, as well as shorter articles that range from 300 to 500 words. Games, activities and jokes are also included in every issue of *Kayak*.

Queries

We do not accept unsolicited articles. If you have experience writing for children in our audience's age range and are interested in contributing to *Kayak*, however, we welcome you to forward a CV and samples of your published work to the editor, Nancy Payne, at editor@kayakmag.ca. Illustrators and cartoonists are also welcome to forward samples of their work (or links to their websites) to the editor.

Writers and illustrators may also send samples by regular mail to *Kayak*, Bryce Hall, Main Floor, 515 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3B 0G9. If you would like sample material to be returned, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. *Kayak does not publish poetry; all puzzles are created in-house.*

Rates

Articles: 35¢ to 50¢ per word
Photos and illustrations: variable
Payment is upon publication.

Thank you for your interest in *Kayak: Canada's History Magazine for Kids*. We look forward to hearing from you