Into to Pre-Confederation Canada

Studying history is important to understand how society has evolved to what it is today. We are taught the key concept that Canadian is older then we think. In the article is explained what is history is and how we can participate in it. We are also taught how Canadian history can change throughout the years with new perspective and evidence. Studying pre confederation history in Canada is essential for us to understand the Canada we live in today.

Many people believe that Canada is a young country with no history. However constitution does not define a country and its history.[[1]](#footnote-1) History is interesting in the way that anyone can be participant. We are all capable of changing the history books. Belshaw teaches us how we can be historians when he says, “The historian has to be a capable and versatile analyst. That means that each generation of historians will find a new way of cracking the code of the past”[[2]](#footnote-2) Some of these changes could come from new primary and secondary sources that are rediscovered. Canada’s history has been revised due to new perspectives. Belshaw explains, “A rising generation of historians turned their back on themes like nation building, railways, and political biography, and produced scores of books on the history of labour, women, immigrant experiences, and Aboriginal peoples.”[[3]](#footnote-3) Canada’s history is ever-changing.

Studying history is important to understand how society is changing constantly. Canada’s history is older then once thought. The article explains what history is and how we can participate in it. History is an ever-changing subject that shows us the importance of pre confederation history and how it resides in our society today.

1. John D. Belshaw, Canadian History: Pre-Confederation (2015) pg 17 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. John D. Belshaw, Canadian History: Pre-Confederation (2015) pg 7 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. John D. Belshaw, Canadian History: Pre-Confederation (2015) pg 19 [↑](#footnote-ref-3)