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It is 1714, and the Hudson's Bay Company needs to expand its fur trade. But first there must be peace between the Cree and Chipewyan. How can such a peace be made? On a cold November day, when Thanadelthur arrives at York Factory, the answer to this question is found.



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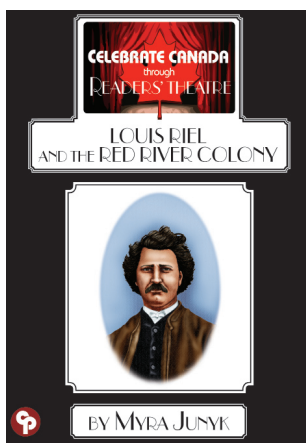
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by Myra Junyk

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The British North America Act, Canada's first constitution, was passed by the British Parliament in 1867. During the 20th century, Canada expanded and matured as a nation while becoming more and more independent from Great Britain. Finally, on April 17, 1982, Canada became a fully sovereign nation when Prime Minister Trudeau and Queen Elizabeth II signed the Constitution Act which contained the new Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

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by Myra Junyk

Reading Level: 6-9
Interest Level: 5 and up

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