

The Hockey Sweater

By Roch Carrier

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After reading the story "The Hockey Sweater", answer the following questions.

1. What two hockey teams are mentioned in the story?

a) _____

b) _____

2. When does the story take place? _____

3. a) Who is the narrator's hockey hero? _____

b) What is the hockey number of his hero? _____

4. In the first paragraph, the narrator said that he and his friends lived in three places, the school, the church, and the skating rink. What does he mean by that?

5. The three places mentioned in question 4 (the skating rink, school, and church) each provided a benefit to the narrator. What was the positive thing that the narrator gained in each place?

a) The Skating Rink: _____

b) School: _____

c) The Church: _____

6. The narrator lists a number of things that he and his friends did to pay tribute to their hockey hero. List 3 of these things.

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

7. Why did the narrator's mom insist on buying clothes from the Eaton's catalogue, and not from the general store?

8. How did the narrator's mom order the new hockey sweater?

9. What two lessons did the narrator's mom teach her son regarding the sweater?

a) _____

b) _____

10. List 3 people who mistreated the narrator at his first game with his sweater?

11. Why was the narrator sent off of the ice, and told to go to church?

12. What did the narrator do in the church?

13. In the story, the narrator ***hated*** his new hockey sweater. What item of clothing would you hate being forced to wear. *Please give 2 or 3 reasons.*

14. In the space below, neatly draw and colour (with markers) a new hockey sweater/jersey. Your sweater needs to have the following:
- a large logo in the middle
 - a number on the back
 - three different colours
 - colour bars along the arms and bottom



EXTRA INFORMATION:

The Hockey Sweater was written by Roch Carrier in 1979. It has become an iconic Canadian short story ever since. In fact, the story has been celebrated in many ways, including on Canadian money (\$5 bill). I encourage you to check out the following website to learn more about the story, and to watch a short video of it.

<https://fictionpredilection.weebly.com/blog/canada-at-150-the-hockey-sweater>

Here are copies of the \$5 bill from 2002 and later,

