



## Comfy Clothes for Kids

Tots and tykes with skin sensitivities adore tees and pants by Pineapple Pete ([www.pineapplepete.ca](http://www.pineapplepete.ca)). The Vancouver company has a **special line of “sensory friendly” clothing** made out of ultra-soft bamboo fabric, using flat seams and no tags. Vintage graphics of an owl, wolf, bear or bunny up the cuteness factor. Too adorable for words? We think so.



## Just Kidding

After finding the perfect gift, you need the perfect way to wrap it. How about a Prank Pack? Each hilarious fake gift box **seems to contain a ridiculous product**, such as a PetPetter (“Never touch your pets again!”), an Extreme Chores video game (“Make chores fun!”) or a Wake and Bake Dream Griddle Alarm Clock (pancakes not included). Buy online at [www.prankpack.com](http://www.prankpack.com), and be prepared for a half-hearted thank you—at least until the recipient discovers the real present inside.

## HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES!

“The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.” In many countries, children leave a sock or shoe out for Santa Claus to fill with goodies. In Canada, **the stockings just might be shaped like a hockey skate**, ready for Santa to fill with a Vancouver Canucks hat or a Montreal Canadiens keychain. Score some stockings and other seasonal decorations at Chapters/Indigo (page 14).



## Canadian, Eh?

Show your love for the “true north strong and free” with an array of fun, patriotic souvenirs.

**DOLL** Kids love to cuddle up with Maple, who wears a reimagined Royal Canadian Mounted Police uniform. The international designer dolls collection from Pottery Barn Kids (page 14) also pays homage to Russia, China, Mexico, Africa and the Arctic.

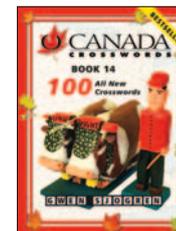


**COASTERS** Looking for a guaranteed conversation starter? These quirky wooden coasters from Chapters/Indigo (page 14) feature quotations such as this bon mot from Pierre Berton: “A true Canadian is one who can make love in a canoe without tipping.”

**MITTENS** With the Sochi 2014 Olympic Winter Games fast approaching, it’s time to support the Canadian Olympic Foundation (COF) by purchasing a pair of the iconic Red Mittens at The Bay (page 15). For each pair purchased, \$3.33 goes to the COF.

## Book 'Em

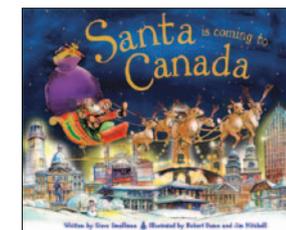
These souvenirs of Canada also make great holiday gifts. At local bookstores (page 14).



**O Canada Crosswords, Book 14** by Gwen Sjogren (\$12.95): Find trivia, puns and fun, brimming with Canadian content.



**Uncle John's Bathroom Reader: Weird Canada** by the Bathroom Readers' Institute (\$23.95): Learn why it's illegal to kill a sasquatch in BC and other bizarre facts about the “Great Weird North.”



**Santa Is Coming to Canada** by Steve Smallman (\$11.99): Old Saint Nick visits Stanley Park, the Rocky Mountains and other Canuck landmarks.