

Provincial flowers quiz

All 10 provinces and 3 territories have a floral emblem.

Can you identify the plant from the description and identify the province it represents? Answers are below. No peeking!

1. This flower was chosen in 1906. An early spring flower, it is often seen pushing through the last snow. The flower, which ranges from light lavender to bluish purple in colour, has an outer coating of hair to protect it from sudden changes in temperature.

2. This plant is one of Canada's most common orchids. It blooms in late May and June and grows in shady and moist woodlands. The orchid gets its name from the shape of its petals which form a pouch somewhat like a slipper.

3. This shrub is known for its white blooms, in April and May brilliant red berries and bright foliage in the fall. It prefers moist, organically rich, acidic soils in part shade

4. A very hardy plant and one of our showiest native wildflowers, attracts hummingbirds. All parts of the plant are edible. It is a tall plant with magenta pink blossoms on a long spike that blooms from mid-summer until the first frost. It grows in loose moist soil in full sun.

5. This plant was chosen in 1941. It can grow in a variety of moisture levels as well, ranging from excessively drained sand dunes to saturated meadows in sun to partial shade. It grows to 12 inches tall with orange flowers in June and July



Answers

Plant 1 = E, The prairie crocus *Pulsatilla ludoviciana*, the provincial flower of Manitoba,

Plant 2 =D, The lady's slipper, provincial flower of Prince Edward Island

Plant 3=A, the pacific dogwood, provincial flower of British Columbia

Plant 4=B, fireweed, the flower of the Yukon Territory

Plant 5=C, The western red lily, provincial flower of Saskatchewan

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