

Map of Lochaber Cameron Country



Highlands of Scotland

THE CAMERON KIDS



ACTIVITY BOOKLET

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Have fun as you do the activities in this booklet. It is designed as a sort of treasure hunt. Some of the information you need can be found in these pages, but you will need to dig out information from other sources, such as our membership brochure, clansmen who work at our booth, maps, and displays at the Highlands Games. Some answers can be checked at the back of this book.

As you learn more about our clan (family), you will realize that as part of Clan Cameron you belong to a group of people who share a colorful history that started in Scotland. The activities in this booklet will help you learn about who you are and why you should be proud to be a "Cameron."

The Cameron Kids Pledge

___ I pledge to learn about my proud Cameron heritage and about my Scottish ancestry.

___ I also pledge to help others discover the traditions, history and culture that Camerons throughout the world share with one another.

___ Furthermore, I pledge to represent Clan Cameron with dignity and to respect others, regardless of their nationality or race.

___ Lastly, I promise to uphold these pledges now and in the future, as a proud Cameron kid.



Aonaibh Ri Cheile! Unite!

Signed _____

Witness _____

Treasure Hunt

Find each of the following as you enjoy the Highlands Games. Write the answers in the spaces provided.

1. A common Scottish weapon

_____.

2. The name of a Scottish hero

_____.

3. The name of the clans on each side of the Cameron tent: _____ and

_____.

4. The name of a band that plays bagpipes

_____.

5. A breed of Scottish dog

_____.

6. A breed of Scottish cattle

_____.

7. A common Scottish food

_____.

8. The colors of Cameron modern tartan

_____.

_____.

Septs of Clan Cameron

Chalmers

Chambers

Clark

Clarkson

Clery

Clerk

Dowie

Gibbon

Gibson

Gilbertson,

Kennedy

Leary

Lonie

MacAldowie

MacAlonie

MacChlerich

MacChlery

MacClair,

MacClery

MacGillery

MacGillonie

MacIldowie

MacKail

MacKell

MacLear

MacLeary

MacMartin

MacOnie

MacOstrich

MacPhail

MacSorley

MacUlric

MacUlrig

MacVail

MacWalrick

Martin

Paul

Sorley

Taylor

What are Septs? _____

Calling All Cameron Kids

Who are the Camerons? Today we are a collection of families scattered all over the world. Even though we live in different countries, we all share our Cameron heritage. Each of us has at least one ancestor who came from Scotland. "Cameron" likely means "crooked nose" in Gaelic, the language of the Scots. Can you imagine how we got that name?

If your last name is Cameron or one of the sept names, you belong to the family of Clan Cameron. Clan just means "extended family." Some families that are not on the sept list may still be part of Clan Cameron since they had no other clan and joined us. Camerons adopted them, and they adopted us!

Our clan is special. We are one of the oldest and most respected families of Scotland. We have our own war cry, our own crest, our own tartans, and even our own name for our chief: Lochiel. Above all, we have an exciting history! If you are a Cameron, be proud! There is no other clan in the world quite like us!

I am glad to be a Cameron because _____

In the Future

When you want to know more about some of the great people in our clan, contact any officer of Clan Cameron or log onto www.clan-cameron.org/kids.html. This is a website just for kids!

There are some fascinating tales about Camerons on the Clan Cameron site (www.clan-cameron.org). You may encounter Black Donald of the Axe, a mighty warrior, or Cam Dubh, the "king of the cats," who had an interesting conversation with one of our chiefs. You may discover how our clan avoided an ambush when Gormshuil, "the witch of Moy," helped us. You won't want to miss the famous Ewen Cameron, who had hand to hand combat with an English officer and took a bite out of his throat, saying it was "the sweetest morsel he ever ate!"

Lots of colorful characters can be found, if you just look!

Sign the Cameron Kid's Pledge on the last page to show your enthusiasm for the Clan's future and your part in it. Why not decorate it and frame it? Or color the crest on the cover and make a refrigerator magnet with it. You might even want to paint a picture from Clan Cameron history and give it to a grandparent for a gift!

Fill in the Blanks

1. What is the Cameron battle cry (in English)?

2. The chief of Clan Cameron is always called

3. The three colors found in the modern Clan Cameron tartan _____

4. Who are the only people permitted to wear the Lochiel tartan?

5. The Camerons fought for a Prince who never became King. What was his nickname?

6. A family who belongs to a clan, but does not have the Clan surname, is called a _____.
7. The leaf of what tree did clansmen of Clan Cameron wear? _____
8. A purse or pouch that hangs at the front of a kilt is called a _____.
9. What weapons are found on the Clan Cameron crest? _____
10. What animal provides the material for our kilts? _____

Word Search

CLAN CAMERON

A	G	H	I	L	L	I	E	S	D
R	R	R	R	R	R	R	F	B	R
L	O	C	H	A	B	E	R	E	M
N	A	R	R	O	P	S	D	N	D
F	E	A	T	H	E	R	I	N	I
C	I	L	E	A	G	H	R	E	A
T	A	R	I	O	N	E	K	V	L
L	C	L	G	C	L	A	R	I	P
C	A	L	H	H	C	T	Y	S	I
A	S	A	L	I	A	H	R	M	A
I	T	I	A	E	N	E	R	O	I
R	L	C	N	L	A	R	A	R	K
N	E	I	D	N	L	L	G	K	I
C	R	L	S	C	C	C	N	I	R
S	N	E	S	S	I	E	E	L	K
E	I	A	E	E	O	E	L	T	E
E	L	T	S	I	H	T	G	T	N

List of Words to find

NESSIE	BEN NEVIS	CAIRN	CASTLE
CLAN	DIRK	FEATHER	GAELIC
GHILLIES	GLENGARRY	HEATHER	KILT
KIRK	LOCHABER	LOCHIEL	HIGHLANDS
PLAID	SPORRAN	TARTAN	THISTLE

A STORY



Fill in the blank:

Once upon a time,
there lived a _____
color
loch creature by the
name of _____.

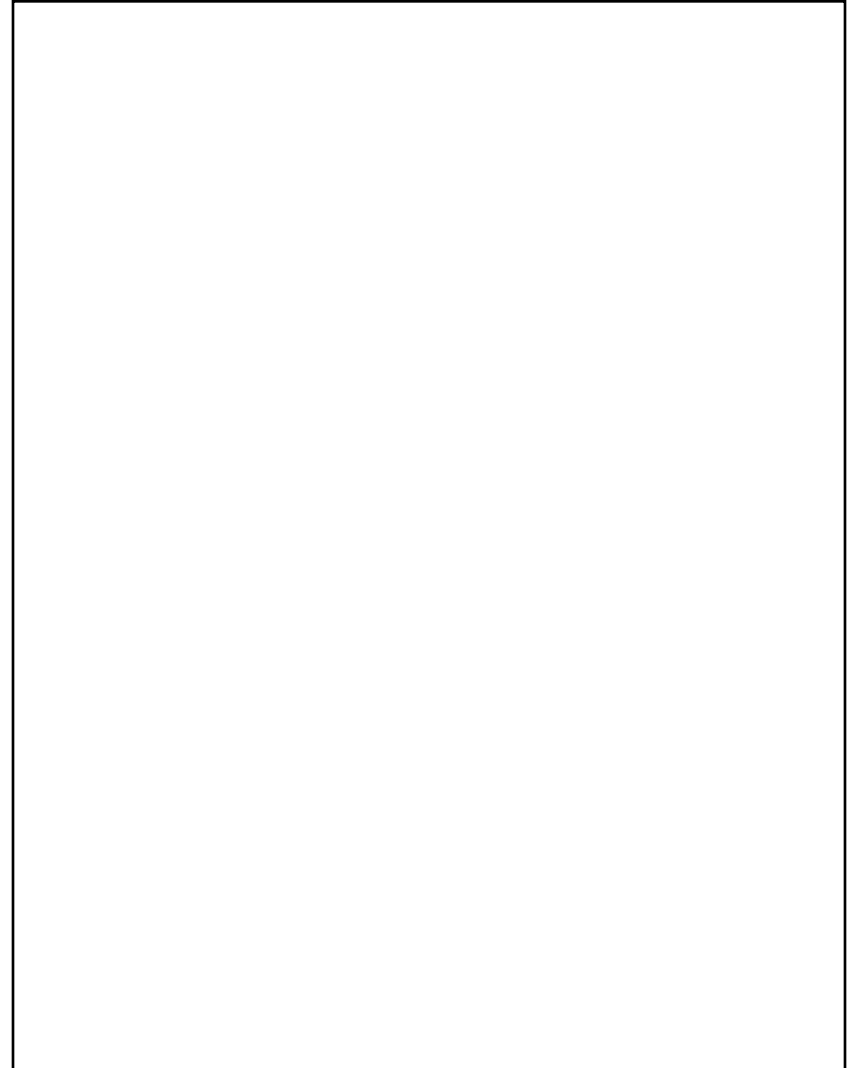
This kind name creature
could be very brave.

She was especially

loved by _____ Cameron, as she saved her
girl's name
baby from drowning in the loch. Baby _____
knickname
crawled from the picnic blanket to the water's
edge, but was saved by creature's quick reaction.
Since that day, this smart creature has had her
portrait in a prominent spot in the _____
room of house
of Lochiel's castle. Visitors are always
impressed by her length, _____ feet, but
number
moreso with the _____ that she plays
musical instrument
so well. What a very _____ and
adjective
colorful creature she is!

CREATIVE DRAWING

Draw a picture of a Scottish scene. You might include a castle, a loch, trees, a blackhouse, Nessie, or really anything that sounds interesting!



GEOGRAPHY

FIND the following on the map:

1. Atlantic Ocean
2. Irish Sea
3. English Channel
4. North Sea

Mark the capital city of each country by putting the number in a circle in its location:

5. Dublin, the capital of Ireland
6. London, the capital of England
7. Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland

SCOTLAND IS _____

(What do you see by looking at the map?)

Look at the map of the U.K. and answer the following:

8. What is the northernmost island of Scotland?

9. Where is the Isle of Man?

10. Where is Clan Cameron "country"?

The historic home of Our Chief, "Lochiel"
Achnacarry, Scotland



Early Chief • Ewen Cameron



Donald Cameron, 27th Chief

