

Advance Publicity for “Canadian English, Eh?”

This is a special light-hearted and fully illustrated talk.

The language that we speak is often taken for granted. We know that Canadian English is different from the English that’s spoken in the United States and in Britain, but exactly how does it differ? And how does our language vary in the different parts of English-speaking Canada?

In a fun-filled interactive session, the audience will be asked to identify some common items and then reveal the other names they are known by in the United States. Finally, we’ll look at the future and see how our kids are changing the language we speak.

Richard Jordan has had a life-long love affair with the English language. He is a former **Toronto Star** local history columnist and his feature articles have appeared in the **Saturday Star** and the **Sunday Star**. His family history *Beyond the Great Pine Ridge* was published in 2004 and another book, *E.D. Banting and Life in Weston 1921-1973*, will be published in 2021. He says, “I love the things that make us distinctly Canadian, including the language that we speak.”

The illustrations show that Canadian English is now considered distinct enough to warrant its own dictionaries.

