

## 10:2 *The Call of the Wild Geographic Information*

### Description

The Yukon Territory is positioned in Canada's northwest corner, on the border with Alaska, and the shape of this mountainous territory forms a rough triangle. Mount Logan, Canada's highest peak at 6,050 meters is located in southwestern Yukon.

Above the Arctic Circle (latitude 66° north), the Yukon is known as "the land of the midnight sun" because for three months in summer, sunlight is almost continuous. In winter, however, darkness sets in, and the light of day is not seen for a quarter of the year.

### Facts and Figures:

- ▶ **Official Name** Yukon Territory
- ▶ **Entered Dominion** June 13, 1898
- ▶ **Capital City** Whitehorse
- ▶ **Languages** English (official), French (official)
- ▶ **Official Currency** Canadian Dollar
- ▶ **Population** 30,700

### Land:

- ▶ **Area** 483,450 sq km (190,594 sq miles)
- ▶ **Highest Point** Mount Logan, 6,050 meters
- ▶ **Lowest Point** Arctic Ocean, sea level