



The Greatest Mythical Place

While Jacques Cartier was searching for the Northwest Passage near the St. Lawrence River in what is now Canada, he was also hoping to find a magical kingdom known as Saguenay. Cartier had been tantalized by Iroquoian stories of a strange kingdom to the north. The kingdom was said to be inhabited by tall, blond-haired people who had rich gold and silver mines and an endless supply of furs. Today, historians believe the “story” was told to trick the French explorers; although some have speculated that the Iroquois may have been referring to an actual Norse settlement that existed hundreds of years earlier in modern-day Newfoundland.

In thinking about the Kingdom of Saguenay, what is your favorite mythical place that you've read about, seen in a movie, or ventured to in a video game? Describe it in detail below and then draw a colorful picture of it.

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