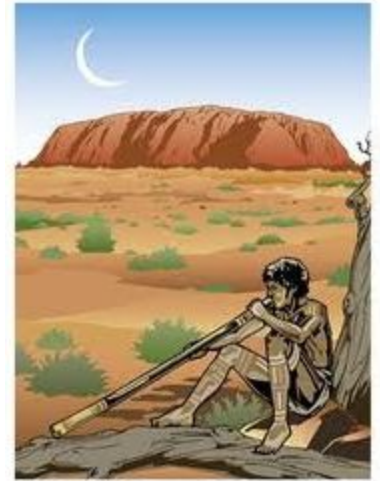


# What do you know about Australia



SCHOOL "INTELLECT"  
FORM 4A  
ENGLISH PROJECT WORK





SHE'LL BE RIGHT MATE!  
HOWZAT?! NO WORRIES, SON  
I Reckon! G'DONYA MATE YOU LITTLE RIPPER!  
You Little Bewdy AV-A-GO-YA-MUG  
NO-BULL AUSSIE LINGO! STRENGTH!  
DON'T COME THE RAW PRAWN! GROG  
TAKE IT EASY G'DAY MATE, 'OW YER GOIN?  
HOO-ROO FAIR DINKUM YOU LITTLE BOTTLER  
A KANGAROO LOOSE IN THE TOP PADDOCK! Chock a Block

# AUSTRALIAN ENGLISH

In Australia people speak English.  
But their English is not quite the same.  
In England people say *Hello*.  
But in Australia people say *G'day*.  
In England people say *banana*.  
But in Australia people say *nana*.  
In England people say *English person*.  
But in Australia people say *pom*.  
In England people say *Have you eaten yet?* (Present perfect. Yuck!)  
But in Australia people say *Did you eat yet?* (That's much easier!)  
In England people say *How are you?*  
But in Australia people say *How are you going?*  
Not *sandwiches*, but *cut lunch*, not *sausage*, but *snag*.  
And they say *chalkie* instead of *teacher*!



# SEASONS AND WEATHER

We live in the Northern hemisphere and Australian seasons are the opposite of ours.

If it is summer in the northern hemisphere, it is winter in Australia.

If it is autumn in the northern hemisphere, it is spring in Australia.

If it is winter in the northern hemisphere, it is summer in Australia.

If it is spring in the northern hemisphere, it is autumn in Australia.

So winter months in Australia are June, July and August.

Spring months in Australia are September, October and November.

Summer months in Australia are December, January and February.

Autumn months in Australia are March, April and May.

The hottest months in Australia are December, January and February. In these months they wear shorts, T-shirts and sandals. And people spend a lot of time on the beach: swim,, play volleyball, go snorkelling or scuba diving or lie in the sun and do nothing.

The coldest months are June, July and August – a perfect time for winter sports.



# UNIQUE AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS





## KOALA

The koala lives in the eucalyptus forest (gum forest). Its name is an aborigine word. It means "no water". Koalas don't drink, they eat eucalyptus leaves. They sleep for 18 hours a day. Koalas are marsupial animals.



## KANGAROO

When European explorers first saw these strange hopping animals they asked an aborigine what they were called. He replied "kangaroo" ("I don't understand") your question. The explorers thought this was the animal's name. And that's how the kangaroo got its name. The kangaroo has got a long tail, short front legs and a big pouch with a baby kangaroo in it.



## PLATYP

The platypus lives on the riverbanks. It has a bill like a duck.

The only mammal that lays eggs is the platypus. Platypuses eat shrimps, insects and worms.





# HOLIDAYS IN AUSTRALIA





Celebrate Australia Day

Australia Day - 26 January



## AUSTRALIA

### DAY

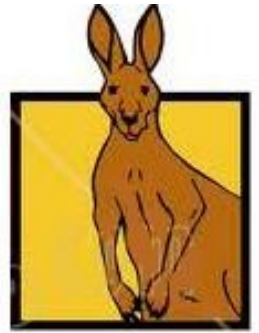
26<sup>th</sup> January is a very special day in Australia. It's Australia Day, the anniversary of the arrival the first ships from Great Britain. They celebrate everything about their country. At school pupils do projects and learn about the history of Australia. Most of Australians spend the holiday relaxing with family and friends.

## CHRISTMAS

### AS

In December it's very hot in Australia and Australians spend Christmas day on the beach! They have barbecues. Australians surround themselves with Christmas Bush, a native plant with little red flowered leaves. At many beaches Santa Claus arrives on a surfboard.





# THE FLAG, THE HERB AND THE ANTHEM

## THE AUSTRALIAN FLAG



The Australian flag uses three symbols:

- ✓ the Union Flag
- ✓ the Commonwealth Star
- ✓ the Southern Cross .

## THE ANTHEM OF AUSTRALIA

«Advance Australia  
fair!»



## THE COAT OF ARMS



The Australian Coat of Arms consists of:

- ✓ the badges of the six states of the Commonwealth
- ✓ the Crest of the Arms
- ✓ the supporters of the Coat of Arms: the Kangaroo and the Emu.



# THE ABORIGINAL CULTURE



The first inhabitants of Australia, called aborigines, believe that their people arrived in Australia when the Earth was created. They call their creation story "Dreamtime." During "Dreamtime" spirits rose from below the Earth and turned into nature (rocks, rivers, ...) in Australia. Aborigines of Australia believe that these spirits are alive.

The aboriginal culture represents nature. They have a traditional instrument called the didgeridoo.



He is playing the  
DIDGERIDOO



ABORIGINAL DANCE



This is a BOOMERANG. The aborigines used it to hunt. There are also two types of boomerang, returning and non-returning. Nowadays the art of boomerang throwing is an international sport.



ABORIGINAL PAINTINGS





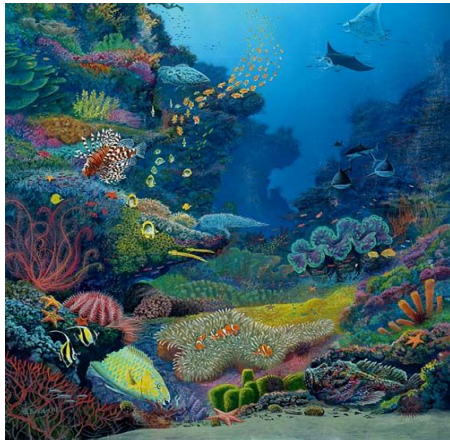
# NATURE IN AUSTRALIA

## ULURU (AIERS)



It is a magnificent rock which changes colour during the day. It's pink, orange, red, brown...

## THE GREAT BARRIER



It is more than 2000 km long. You can see lots of colourful fish and coral there. The reef is unforgettable.

## THE PINNACLES DESERT

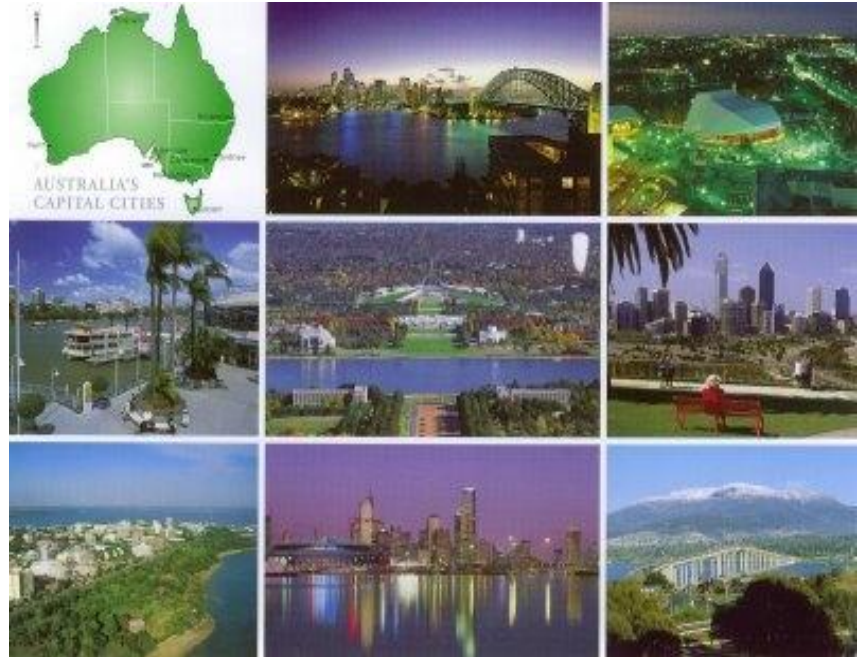


The Pinnacles Desert is in Western Australia, in Nambung National Park. These pinnacles are 4 metres tall and they came from seashells. The best season to see the Pinnacles is spring from August to October.

## TASMANIA



It is a beautiful island. You can visit beaches, national parks and mountains.



# AUSTRALIAN CITIES





MELBOURNE is the capital of Victoria.



The biggest cities in Australia is SYDNEY, the capital of New South Wales. It is a big multicultural city. This is the famous opera house.



ADELAIDE is the capital of South Australia.



HOBART is the capital of Tasmania.



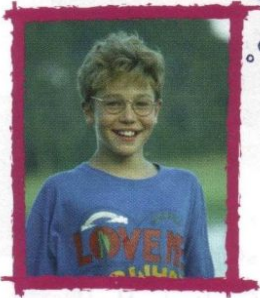
CANBERRA is the capital of Australia. This is Parliament House.





# CHILDREN IN AUSTRALIA





I want to tell you about Mark.

Mark is from Western Australia. He is twelve. He lives on a farm. Mark can't go to school because there isn't a school near the farm. The school is in the town of Albany 150 kilometres away. Mark watches TV to do his lessons.

Every morning, he gets up at seven o'clock. He turns on his TV at half past eight. There is a video link to his school. Mark can see his friends in class and his teacher. He watches the lesson, so he learns the same things as the children in town. Every month, his teacher comes to the farm and studies with him.

In the afternoon Mark often helps his father on the farm. He's got a horse called Sprinter and he often rides him in the countryside. He loves his horse very much.

But Mark doesn't want to be a farmer. He has a dream He wants to be a pilot one day.



**NOW ANSWER  
THE QUESTIONS**

1. Name three unique Australian animals.
2. How do Australians say “Hello”?
3. What are summer month in Australia?
4. When do Australians celebrate Australia day?
5. What animals can you see on Australian coat of arms?
6. What is the capital of Australia and what’s the biggest city?
7. Does Mark go to school?
8. How long is the Great Barrier Reef and how tall are the pinnacles in the Pinnacle Desert?
9. What is the aboriginal traditional musical instrument?

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