

# **DISCOVERING AUSTRALIA**

### 1. True or False

Decide if each statement about Australia is true or false.

•	Australia is the smallest continent in the world.	True / False
•	The capital of Australia is Sydney.	True / False
•	Australia is home to the Great Barrier Reef.	True / False
•	Kangaroos are native to Australia.	True / False
•	Australians drive on the right side of the road.	True / False

# 2. Vocabulary Match

Match the Australian term on the left with its meaning on the right.

Australian Word	Meaning
Outback	A. An Australian dog
Koala	B. Remote wilderness
Dingo	C. A famous landmark
Great Barrier Reef	D. Tree-dwelling animal
Sydney Opera House	E. Coral reef system

## 3. Fill in the Gaps

Fill in each blank with the correct word from the list.

List:	kangaroos, Sydney, Emu, British, con	tinent	
•	Australia is the only country that is also a		
•	is the largest city in Australia.		
•	The is a large bird	that can't fly and is only found in Australia.	
•	Australia was once a colony of the _	Empire.	
•	There are more that	an people in Australia!	

## 4. Guess the Landmark

Match each description to the landmark

Landmarks: Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Opera House, Uluru (Ayers Rock)

- This famous white building looks like sails on the water.
- This long coral reef is visible from space and is a popular tourist site.
- This large rock formation in the Outback is sacred to Aboriginal people.

## 5. Fun Facts - Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answer.

- 1. What is the nickname for Australia?
  - a) The Frozen Continent
  - b) The Land Down Under
  - c) The Great White North
- 2. Which animal is NOT native to Australia?
  - a) Kangaroo
  - b) Koala
  - c) Panda
- 3. Australia is famous for its unique animals. Which of these animals carries its baby in a pouch?
  - a) Crocodile
  - b) Kangaroo
  - c) Platypus
- 4. What do Australians call a barbeque?
  - a) BBQ
  - b) Barby
  - c) Roast

# 6. Discussion Questions (Pair Work)

Ask each other these questions.

- Have you ever seen a kangaroo or a koala in real life?
- If you could visit one place in Australia, where would you go and why?
- Do you think you would enjoy living in Australia? Why or why not?
- What's one fact about Australia that surprised you?

# **Teacher's Key**

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