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## **Australia**

## Quotations

"The Australian Book of Etiquette is a very slim volume".

- Paul Theroux

"I stress the uniqueness of the Australian landscape and its metaphysical and mythic content".

- Arthur Boyd

## **Questions**

- What do you know about Australia's history? Who colonized the continent?
- What do you know about the Aborigine people of Australia and the atrocities done to them by the settlers?
- Are you familiar with Australia's government? (a federal parliamentary constitutional monarchy, formed in 1901 as a result of an agreement among six self-governing British colonies, which became the six states)
- What products does Australia export? (Coal, agricultural items)
- What religions are practiced in Australia? (Predominantly Christian with Buddhists (2.5%), Muslims (2.2%), Hindus (1.3%) and Jews (0.5%))
- What are some famous places in Australia that you would like to visit? (Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Harbor, Outback, Ayers Roc)
- What famous singers and artists have come from Australia? (Steve Irwin, Cate Blanchett, Nicole Kidman, Heath Ledger, Russell Crow, Olivia Newton-John, AC/DC, Bee Gees, Elle McPherson (super model))
- What animals are native to Australia and are only found there? (Kangaroo, koala bear)
- What do you know about Australia's climate and terrain?
- What environmental issues do you think Australia faces?
- What do you think are the demographics of Australia population?
- Which people do you think immigrate to Australia?

**Presentation** Australia is a country with many unique landscapes. Plan a tour of the main cities and the Outback. What is it you'd like to see?