



HOME-SCHOOL INSPIRATION



If you can't go out, why not travel the world from home?

This week we travel to Australia.

Sydney Opera House

The Sydney Opera House is a famous building on the shores of Sydney Harbour. It is shaped like the sails of a boat.



Many concerts and events take place here.

Make your own paper plate Sydney Opera House:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-i8ODbNt6w>

Uluru (Ayers Rock)



Uluru, otherwise known as Ayers Rock, is a very, very big rock in central Australia. It attracts many visitors from all around the world every year.

Ayers Rock is made from sandstone and has a brown appearance during the day, but its colour changes depending on whether the sun is shining on it or not. Sometimes it looks brown but early in the morning and early in the evening, it can look red!

Watch how Uluru changes colour here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hab6cO3ltvE>

Why not have a go at drawing this famous rock:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RiKXARTFaU>

Dreamtime



Aboriginal Australians believe that they have animal, plant, and human ancestors who created the world and everything in it. This process of creation is called Dreamtime. There are many songs and stories about Dreamtime, which generations of aboriginal people have passed down to their children.

Listen to some Dreamtime stories here:

<https://www.welcometocountry.org/aboriginal-dreamtime-stories/>

Australian Animals



Australia is very remote and because of this, it has lots of animals and plants that cannot be found anywhere else in the world. Australia has over 750 different species of reptiles, more than any other country in the world.

It is also home to some of the deadliest animals on the planet.

Learn about some of Australia's unusual animals here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkCq54_ho-A

Aboriginal Art

Aboriginal art was often used to tell a story, or to pass on beliefs, ideas and customs to future generations. Yellow, brown, red and white represent the sun, earth, desert and clouds and are the four traditional Aboriginal colours. Their art often used dots, circles, lines and symbols which were not easily understood by non-Aborigines.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8RZzLEoMCQE>



Aboriginal Words

The Australian national language is now English but several aboriginal words are still in common use:

Boomerang

Wallaby

Koala

Kookaburra

Kangaroo

Budgerigar

Find out more...

- What is the capital of Australia?
- How long is the Great Barrier Reef?
- What is a marsupial?
- What is a lamington?

There are no limits to what you can discover!



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