

Let's Visit Australia : Geography : Year 1/2

	Learning Objective	Overview	Assessment Questions	Resources
Lesson 1	To explore Australia and where it is in the world.	Children will find out where Australia is on a world map. They will identify and name the states and territories within Australia. They will become familiar with a map of Australia and its shape.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children explain where Australia is? Can children list the states and territories in Australia? Do children understand each state and territory is different and together they make up the country of Australia? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Worksheet 1A/1B/1C Australian Map Australian Map Puzzles (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 2	To be able to use a compass and explore what north, south, east and west are.	Children will use a map of Australia to improve their mapping skills. They will locate objects on a map of Australia using the directions north, south, east and west.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do children understand what a compass is? Can children use north, south, east and west to explain where objects are? Can children read and use maps to explain direction? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Australian Picture Map Worksheet 2A/2B Find the Kangaroo Map (for FSD? activity only) Worksheet 2C (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 3	To explore Australia's climate and weather.	Children will begin to understand how large Australia is and that the weather is different around the country. Children will learn about the weather in Darwin and Hobart to see the different climates and weather patterns found in Australia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children use weather icons and words to explain the weather? Do children understand that Australian states and territories experience different weather? Can children describe the weather in different areas in Australia? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Darwin and Hobart Weather Sheets Teacher's notes Weather Word Cards Worksheet 3A/3B/3C Australian Map - A3 size (for FSD? activity only) Weather Report Cards (for FSD? activity only) Weather Icons (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 4	To explore what Christmas is like in Australia compared to the UK.	Children will compare Christmas day in Australia to Christmas day in the UK. They will look at the difference in weather, activities, food and traditions between the two places.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do children understand that seasons are at different times around the world? Do children understand that the UK and Australia have opposite seasons? Can children describe how Christmas is different in the UK and Australia? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Christmas Pictures Worksheet 4A/4B/4C Word Bank Australian Christmas Postcard (for FSD? activity only) UK Christmas Postcard (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 5	To explore the physical features and landscapes of Australia.	Children will explore the different landscapes Australia has. They will look at some famous physical features in Australia and describe their appearance and location.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children name some famous physical features in Australia? Do children know there are many different physical features found in Australia? Can children describe what different physical features look like? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Picture Cards, Word Cards and Icon Cards Worksheet 5A/5B Word Bank Great Barrier Reef Booklet (for FSD? activity only) Great Barrier Reef Images (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 6	To investigate Australia's unusual animals.	Children will learn about the different animals found in Australia. They will look closely at some strange animals and learn about their habitats and behaviours.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do children understand Australia has unique animals only found in Australia? Can children describe some Australian animals? Can children use information and pictures to identify different animal species? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides What Am I? Cards Australian Animal Cards Worksheet 6A/6B Word Bank Australian Animal Finger Puppets (for FSD? activity only) Australian Animal Character Cards (for FSD? activity only) Cardboard, scissors, felts (for FSD? activity only)
Lesson 7	To explore Australia's culture and lifestyle.	Children will compare the lives of an Australian aboriginal child and a typical Australian city child. They will read stories about each child's daily lives to learn about the different cultures found in Australia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do children understand that different people live in Australia? Can children explain what life is like for people in Australia? Can children see differences and similarities in Australian people's lives? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slides Word Bank Worksheet 7A/7B/7C Australia Day Poster (for FSD? activity only) Australia Day Flag (for FSD? activity only) Australian Pictures (for FSD? activity only)