

History of the First Australians 95

Naming Country

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Have you ever wondered where the name of a place comes from? You can find unusual place names right across Australia.

Some place names sound like they are from the English language. Others sound like they are from different Aboriginal languages.

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First Nations people gave names to most of the continent of Australia. Many First Nations place names are thousands of years old. Most were named to describe the landscape around them.

These place names were very important to the people who lived there. First Nations people connected to Country through them. They were part of their identity.



