ENGLISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES















the smallest continent the largest island



the Pacific Ocean the Indian Ocean



The Commonwealth of AUSTRALIA







The Commonwealth of Australia is a federal state within the Commonwealth. Its territories are the continent of Australia, the island of Tasmania and a number of smaller islands. It has an area of about 8 million square kilometres.



It is the world's largest island and its smallest continent.





History of Australia

 The east coast of Australia was
discovered by Captain Cook in 1770.











- 1. What part of Australia was first used as a colony?
- 2. How did the early settlers behave towards the aborigines?
- 3. Why did very many people go to Australia after 1851?
- 4. When was the new nation born in Australia?

The capital of Australia is Canberra







There are 5 big cities in Australia: Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Brisbane.







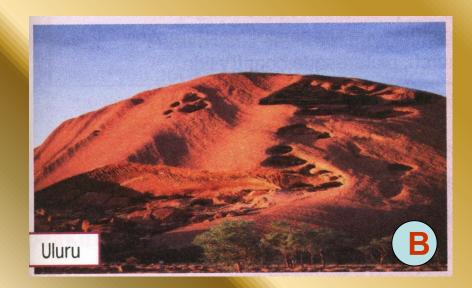


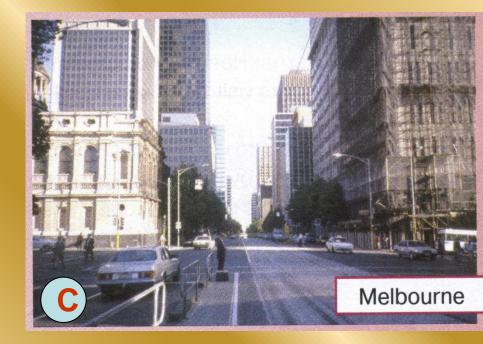


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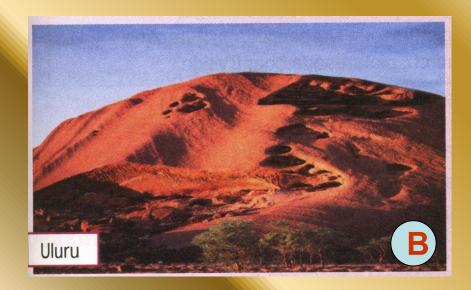


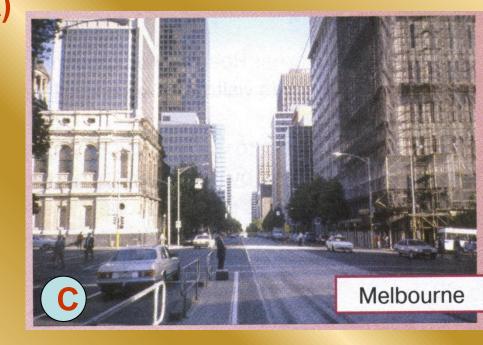


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• <u>The seasons are</u> <u>the other way</u> <u>round in Australia</u>

• <u>Australia is</u> <u>sometimes called</u> <u>the Land Down</u> <u>Under.</u>

• <u>The few rivers</u> <u>play an especially</u> <u>important role in</u> <u>people's lives.</u>

• <u>The island's</u> <u>wildlife is so</u> <u>unique today.</u>

- By whom was Australia discovered and when was it happened?
- When was the birth of the new nation celebrated?
- What is the official name of Australia?
- What landscape is typical of Australia?
- Name the greatest rivers of Australia?
- What animals live in Australia?
- Name big cities of Australia.
- What is the capital of Australia?



Your home task is: to find information about Australia while doing ex.1-2 at p.36 (workbooks, U.5, L.1-2).

• The continent is located south of the Equator.



- New Year is in the middle of summer, the middle of winter is in June, and the winter months are never cold.
- Hot winds blow from the north, cold winds blow from the south.



Much of the land is a useless desert. Great deserts cover nearly 2 mln sq kms. The people suffer from limited fresh water.





Australia became cut off from the rest of the world.





