

Australia, a country and a continent - Reading activity

Read the document called « *Australia, a country and a continent* » and do the following exercises :

1. Vocabulary. → Match the translation with words from the text.

the coast	▪	▪	augmenter
Dutch	▪	▪	être envoyé en bateau à
a convict	▪	▪	les terres
the lands	▪	▪	Néerlandais
to be shipped to	▪	▪	la côte
gold	▪	▪	s'installer
to settle	▪	▪	des liens avec
ties with	▪	▪	un citoyen
to increase	▪	▪	de l'or
a citizen	▪	▪	un détenu

2. Comprehension. → Tick the correct answer.

Who were the first to live in Australia ?

- The Dutch
- The English
- The Aborigines

Who were shipped to Australia from the end of the 18th century to the middle of the 19th century ?

- Soldiers
- Convicts
- Prisoners
- Children

What was discovered in Australia in the 1850s ?

- Gold
- Diamonds
- Cocoa

When did Australia became an independent nation (and no longer a British colony) ?

- In 1788
- In 1850
- In 1901

Who are the new Aussies ?

- The children of the Australians
- The immigrants

The first to live in Australia (the Aborigines) were the first to become Australian citizens.

- Right
- wrong