

WORKSHEET: Week Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>

My name is _____	I'm in 8 <sup>th</sup> _____ class
O.A: 09 Comprensión lectora	OC: Reconocen información presentada en forma escrita.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Completa la guía de acuerdo a sus instrucciones dadas</li><li>Cuando termines la guía envíala al correo de tu profesor o profesora para una posterior retroalimentación ya sea en la misma clase o la siguiente.</li></ul>	

## Reading Task

4. Read the text and answer the questions. Write the answers in your notebook.



### The Magical Country

What is the only country in the world that is also a continent? Located in the southern hemisphere and surrounded by the Indian and the Pacific Oceans, Australia belongs to Oceania, the smallest continent in the world. Australia is a land full of natural wonders that make it unique. It is the sixth largest country in the world, after Russia, Canada, USA, China, and Brazil. Australia's geography is special, too. The cities are all located along the coast and its interior is a large desert that covers two thirds of the entire country. Australia also has more than 10% of the world's biodiversity, including exotic animals and plants. These animals include the famous kangaroos and koalas, but also wonderful creatures like possums, wombats, dingos, emus, platypus, echidnas, among others. Did you know that platypus and echidnas are the only two mammals in the world that lay eggs? Australia's amazing fauna includes around 1,500 types of spiders and 4,000 types of ants. It is also important to know that Australia has 17 of the most poisonous snakes in the world, including the famous black mamba.

However, Australia is much more than that. This magical country offers tourists and Aussies (Australian people) interesting places to visit or live. If you want to see the mountains, visit the Australian Alps; Brisbane is a beach paradise; the Great Barrier Reef offers the most beautiful view of coral reefs. And if you want to go into the jungle and see magnificent waterfalls, visit Kakadu National Park. Great cities like Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth have a lot on offer to see. Australia is a magical country, isn't it?



Source: Archivo editorial

- a. What is that specific characteristic that makes Australia special?
- b. What oceans surround Australia?
- c. Where are its cities located?
- d. Why are platypus and echidnas special?
- e. What's the meaning of Aussie?
- f. What cities are mentioned in the text?

5. Do you know all the animals mentioned in the text? To find out more about them, search for information about these amazing creatures on the internet. Make notes in your notebook and share your findings with the class.

**Hard work conquers all!!**