



1. READ AND COMPLETE THE TEXT WITH THE MISSING WORDS.

desert fruit hunting kangaroos tent years

- (a) The (1) _____ of central Australia is one of the hottest places on the planet. So people can't possibly live there, can they? The Aboriginal people of Australia can! Some now live in towns, but many continue the lifestyle of their ancestors, who knew how to live in the most hostile conditions. Although nobody is sure, experts estimate Australian Aboriginal culture to be at least 40,000 (2) _____ old.
- (b) Australian Aborigines are nomadic, which means that they move from place to place. They don't usually carry a (3) _____ with them. They sleep in the open and keep warm by sleeping with their dogs between two small fires.
- (c) The Aborigines eat what they can find or catch as they move around. Traditionally, women collect food such as vegetables, roots, eggs and (4) _____, as well as small animals such as snakes and lizards. Men hunt for bigger creatures, like emus and (5) _____.
- (d) Aboriginal hunters use several weapons, including a club called a *nulla-nulla*, for (6) _____ and ceremonies. They also hunt with throwing sticks, or *boomerangs*, and with knives. Some Aboriginal people on the coast also use spears or harpoons to hunt whales.



2. MATCH THE HEADINGS WITH THE PARAGRAPHS IN ACTIVITY 1 .

1. Food ☐

2. Home ☐

3. Origins ☐

4. Weapons ☐

3. LOOK FOR THE ANSWERS IN THE TEXT AND CLICK ON THE CORRECT OPTION.

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| 1. Where did the ancestors of Aboriginal people live? | in towns / all over Australia |
| 2. What does 'nomadic' mean? | no permanent home / that you grow food |
| 3. What is the Aboriginal word for a throwing stick? | <i>nulla-nulla</i> / <i>boomerang</i> |

