

6 Australia



island



coast



city



desert



koala



emu

Reading

1 Read and listen.

Australia is the biggest island in the world. A lot of people in Australia live by the coast. They like surfing and going to the beach. Australians speak English. They sometimes call their country 'Oz'.



Sydney Harbour Bridge

The biggest city in Australia is Sydney. There's a big bridge in Sydney. It's called Sydney Harbour Bridge. You can climb it. Look at the picture; this is what you can see from the top!

There are lots of mountains in Australia. The highest mountain in Australia is Mount Kosciuszko. You can ski there in winter.



Mount Kosciuszko

The Great Barrier Reef is in the sea off the coast of Australia. It's very big. You can see it from space!



Great Barrier Reef

There are lots of deserts in Australia. Australians call the desert 'the outback'. It's a very dry country. The Great Victoria Desert is the biggest desert in Australia.



Kangaroo

Australia has got lots of special animals. Kangaroos can jump three metres! Koalas live in trees and eat the leaves. The emu is a very big bird. It runs very fast but it can't fly. There are crocodiles and snakes, too. They're dangerous.

Comprehension

2 Choose and circle.

- 1 A lot of people in Australia live by the coast / desert.
- 2 Australia is the biggest *island* / *country* in the world.
- 3 The highest *waterfall* / *mountain* in Australia is Mount Kosciuszko.
- 4 The biggest *lake* / *desert* in Australia is the Great Victoria.
- 5 Koalas and *tigers* / *kangaroos* are Australian animals.
- 6 Sydney is Australia's *biggest* / *smallest* city.



3 Correct the sentences.

- 1 Crocodiles and kangaroos are dangerous animals.
Crocodiles and snakes are dangerous animals.

- 2 Australia is the biggest country in the world.

- 3 The widest mountain in Australia is Mount Kosciuszko.

- 4 The Great Victoria is a big ocean.

- 5 There is a big waterfall in Sydney.

4 Answer the questions.

- 1 What's the highest mountain in Australia? Mount Kosciuszko

- 2 What do Australians like doing? _____

- 3 What's the biggest city in Australia? _____

- 4 Which Australian animals are dangerous? _____

- 5 What is the Great Victoria? _____

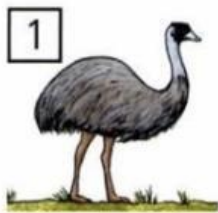
- 6 How high can kangaroos jump? _____

- 7 What do Australians sometimes call their country? _____

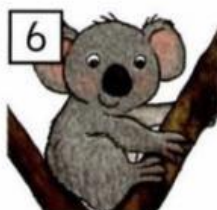
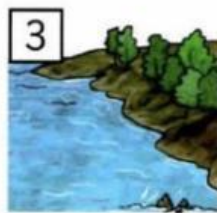
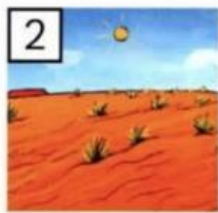
- 8 Can you see the Great Barrier Reef from space? _____

Vocabulary

5 Find and circle. Write.



emu



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c	d	o	n	s	t	a
o	e	m	u	l	k	e
a	s	k	o	a	l	a
s	e	l	t	n	e	l
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6 Circle the odd-one-out.

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|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 1 desert | emu | lake | mountain | coast |
| 2 koala | kangaroo | island | emu | crocodile |
| 3 river | building | bridge | city | house |
| 4 island | mountain | crocodile | coast | desert |
| 5 Sydney | Africa | Australia | America | Europe |

7 Choose and write.

city coast desert emu island koala

- An island is in the middle of the ocean.
- Beaches are on the _____.
- It is very dry in the _____.
- The _____ is Australia's biggest bird.
- A _____ can climb trees.
- There are lots of shops and cafés in a _____.

Writing

The USA

by Jenny

The USA is a big country. There are lots of cities. In the cities there are lots of tall buildings. The tallest building in the USA is the Sears Tower in Chicago. Chicago isn't the biggest city in the USA. The biggest city is New York.

The USA has got lots of lakes and rivers and mountains. The biggest lake in the USA is Lake Superior. The longest river is the Mississippi. The highest mountain is Mount McKinley, in Alaska.



8 Complete the table. Write the proper nouns with capital letters.

egypt lake mount everest new york ocean the nile

Noun	Proper noun
country	Egypt
city	
	Lake Baikal
mountain	
river	
	Pacific Ocean

9 Complete the fact file about your country. Write sentences about your country in your notebook.

Country	
Biggest city	
Tallest building	
Biggest lake	
Longest river	
Highest mountain	