

Third Grade Social Studies Unit Six

AUSTRALIA

3.53	Interpret different texts and primary sources to describe the major components of history and culture including language, clothing, food, art, beliefs, customs, and music. (C, H)
3.54	Use information gained from timelines, primary sources and informational text to identify major historical people, events and patterns. (C, G, H, P) Suggestions are as follows: Indigenous cultural heritage of Aboriginal people, Captain James Cook and European Settlement, Australia's Independence, and current events. www.aushistorytimeline.com
3.55	Identify the Great Barrier Reef, New Zealand, Ayers Rock, and Tasmania. (G) http://www.australianlandmarks.com.au/lists/australian-landforms-top-10-list
3.56	Interpret a chart, graph, or resource map of major imports and exports. (E, G)

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Time Frame - 2 Weeks

Compiled by:	
Essential Questions	Who were the first people of Australia? How do you get there from TN.? How long would it take? How does Australia contribute to global economy? How does the history and culture of America compare to Australia? What happened when the English landed on the Australian continent? How do the imports and exports of Australia influence their economy?
Vocabulary	Landforms, physical map, rivers, mountains, oceans, lakes, deserts, scarcity, import and export, goods, services, supply and demand, barter, consumer, producer, agriculture, industry natural resource, finished product, human resources, capital resources, assembly line, trade, manufacturing, artifacts, ancestors, traditions, cultures, ethnic, populations, urban suburban, rural, longitude, latitude, primary sources, secondary sources, weapons
Literature	
Informational Text	<i>Discover Australia</i> by Chris Ward

	<p><i>The Aboriginal Peoples of Australia</i> by Anne Bartlett</p> <p><i>James Cook</i> by Zachary Kent</p> <p>Leveled reader on reefs in Reading Series</p> <p>A-Z - Ships of Discovery</p> <p>The Reef</p> <p>Australia</p>
Video	<p>Teacher Tube – Australia</p> <p>Life and Times of James Cook</p> <p>Watch Know Learn – Captain James Cook mini series</p> <p>Aboriginal Search (several)</p>
Writing	<p>Compare/contrast the climate of Australia to TN.</p> <p>A day in the life of Aboriginal People.</p>
Research (if applicable)	<p>Research Culture and History (Use groups and present)</p>
Assessment (Choose 1) Task/Project Writing	<p>Research and discuss the origins of Aboriginal people in Australia.</p> <p>Discuss James Cook and his exploration in 1770, landing in Botany Bay aboard the ship named HM Bark Endeavour.</p> <p>Compare the gold rushes in Ballarat, and Bendigo to the California gold rush.</p> <p>Research the creation of The Commonwealth of Australia-1901.</p> <p>Create a timeline depicting the history of Australia (http://www.tiki-toki.com/ -excellent timeline website)</p> <p>Research Australian customs and holidays. How do they compare to those in the United States?</p> <p>Compare the culture of Australia with that of the United States.</p> <p>Research a historical figure and create a timeline of important events in the life of that person. (http://www.tiki-toki.com/)</p> <p>Conduct a debate about an issue that a chosen historical figure faced during their lifetime.</p>
Higher Level Questions	
Common Core Standards	
Reading Standards for Literature	3.RL.1
Reading Standards for Informational Text	3.RI.3
Writing Standards	3.W.1. 3.W.1a-d. 3.W.7
Speaking/Listening Standards	3.SL.4, 3.SL.6
Language Standards	3.L.2g, 3.L.3

Attachments

Powerpoints	http://www.mrdonn.org/powerpoints.html
Pictures	Princeton art online, Aboriginal Art, National Gallery of Art
Maps	http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/oceania/australia/auiland.htm
Texts	https://www.readworks.org/passages/coral-reef-goes-digital https://www.readworks.org/passages/musical-instruments-didgeridoo
Videos	Nationalgeographic.com
Apps	Brainpop, DiscoveryEd Streaming