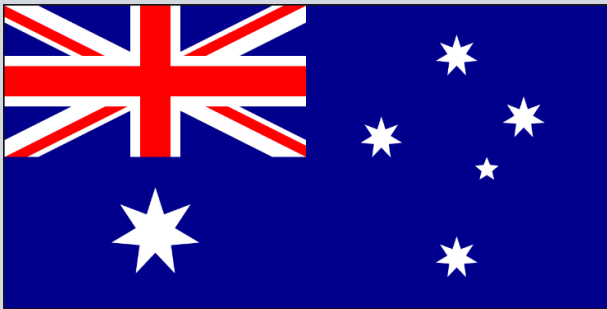



## Draco class 'Down Under' Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary			Exciting Books and Websites
<b>Oceania</b>	Oceania is a common term for the wider geographical <b>continent</b> which includes Australasia, Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia		<b>Sticky Knowledge about Australia!</b>
<b>States</b>	The country is divided into <b>six states</b> (Southern Australia, Western Australia, New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria and Tasmania) and two self-governing territories: Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory (which is around Canberra, the capital city).		
<b>Great Dividing Range</b>	The most substantial mountain range in Australia which runs along the entire length of the eastern coastline.	Australia has a range of different landscapes, including urban areas, mountain ranges, deserts and rain forests.	<b>Important images</b>
<b>Ularu</b>	is a large sandstone rock formation in the southern part of the Northern Territory in central Australia.	Australia is the world's 6 <sup>th</sup> largest country by area.	
<b>Indigenous people</b>	The first people that lived in Australia. They make up around 2% of the population in Australia today.	A desert area known as the 'outback' covers much of the land.	
<b>Outback</b>	The Outback is the colloquial name for the vast, unpopulated and mainly arid areas that comprise Australia's interior and remote coasts.	Australia is home to a variety of unique animals, including the koala, kangaroo, emu, kookaburra and platypus.	
<b>Canberra</b>	The capital city of Australia.	Australia is an island continent surrounded by the Indian Ocean and the Pacific Ocean.	
<b>Cyclones</b>	Tropical cyclones are powerful spinning storms. Depending on where in the world they form, they have different names.	Although they usually keep to themselves, there are a range of dangerous snakes in Australia, such as the Brown Snake, Tiger Snake and Taipan.	