



# Unit 9:



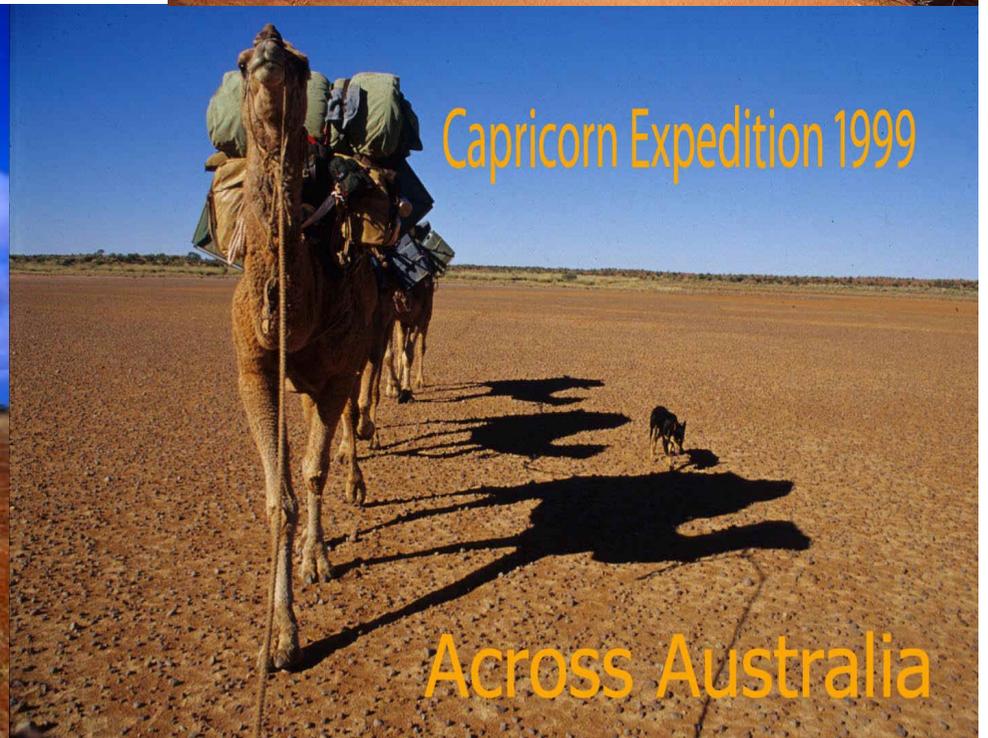
# DESERTS

Lesson 1: READING



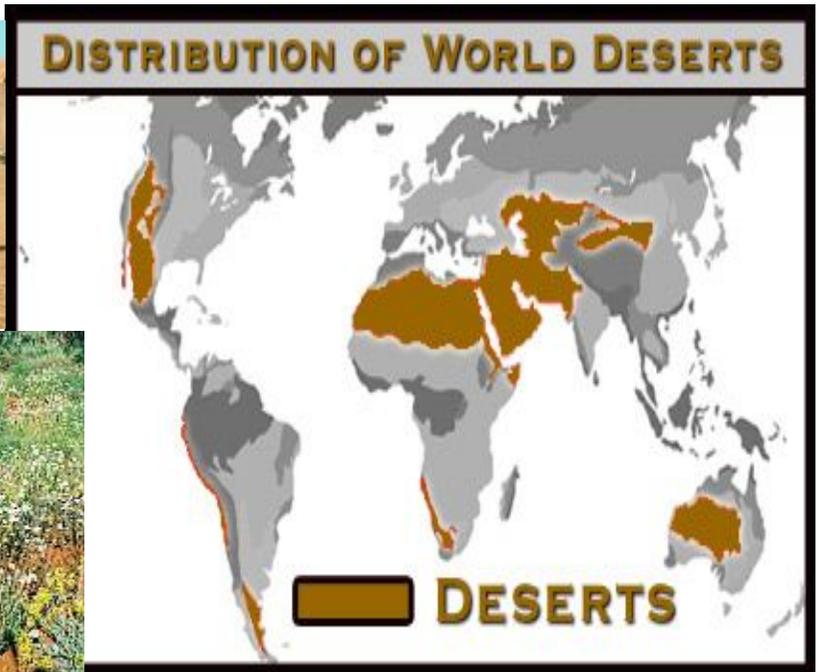
**WHAT ARE THESE?**

**THEY ARE DESERTS**



# ASK & ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

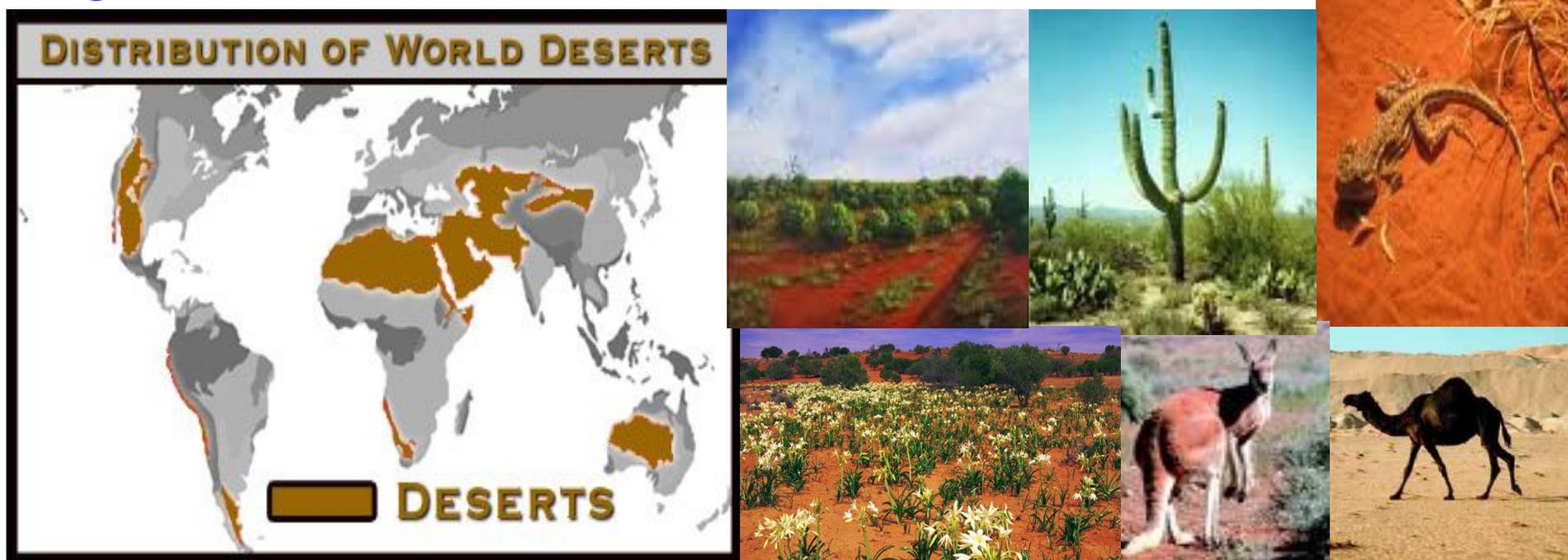
1. What do you know about deserts?
2. What kinds of plants and animals live in a desert?
3. Name some countries which have deserts.



1.They are sandy, windy, very hot and dry. There are few trees. There is much sunshine, little rainfall, little or no water . Few people and animals live in deserts.

2.Cactuses, grass, shrub, desert flowers, red kangaroo, camels and lizards can live in deserts.

3.Countries which have deserts are China, Chile, Egypt , Argentina , North America, Mexico ,Australia, Brazil,....



*Unit 9:* **DESERTS**  
*Lesson 1:* **READING**  
**VOCABULARY**





## VOCABULARY

to make longer

căng, kéo dài

a length or area of a road, water or land

dải đất, nước

- stretch (n,v):

- sandy (adj):

sand(n)      đầy cát

- aerial survey(n):

an investigation carried out from aircraft

- dune (n):

cồn, đụn cát

- sloping (adj):

dốc thoải thoải

- steep (adj):

dốc đứng

- hummock (n):

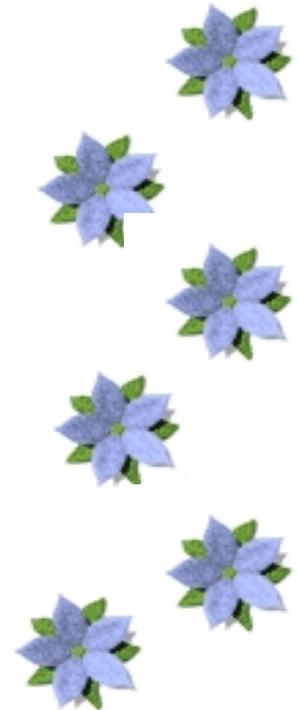
gò, đống

- crest (n):

đỉnh, ngọn

- spinifex (n):

cỏ lá nhọn



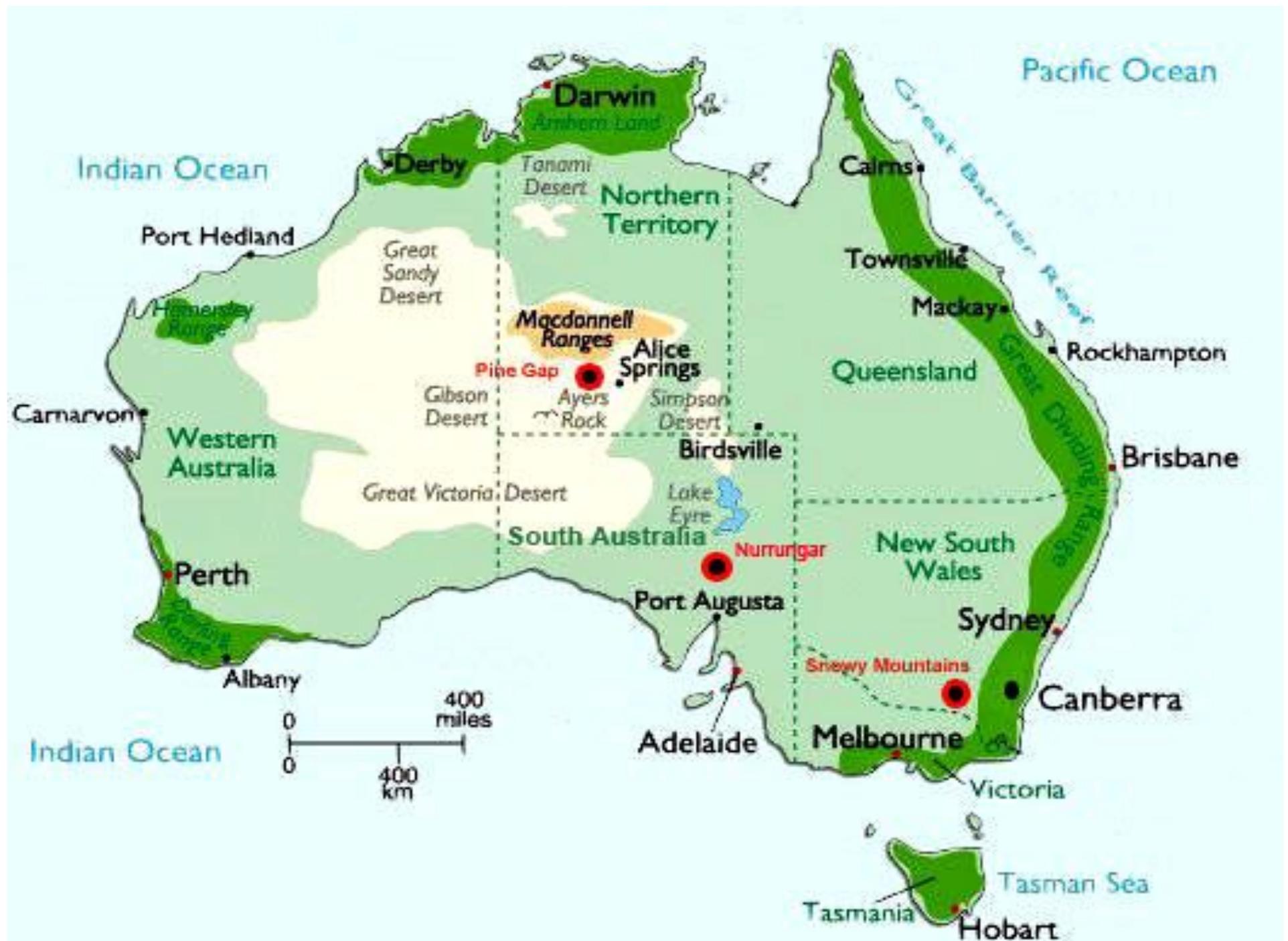


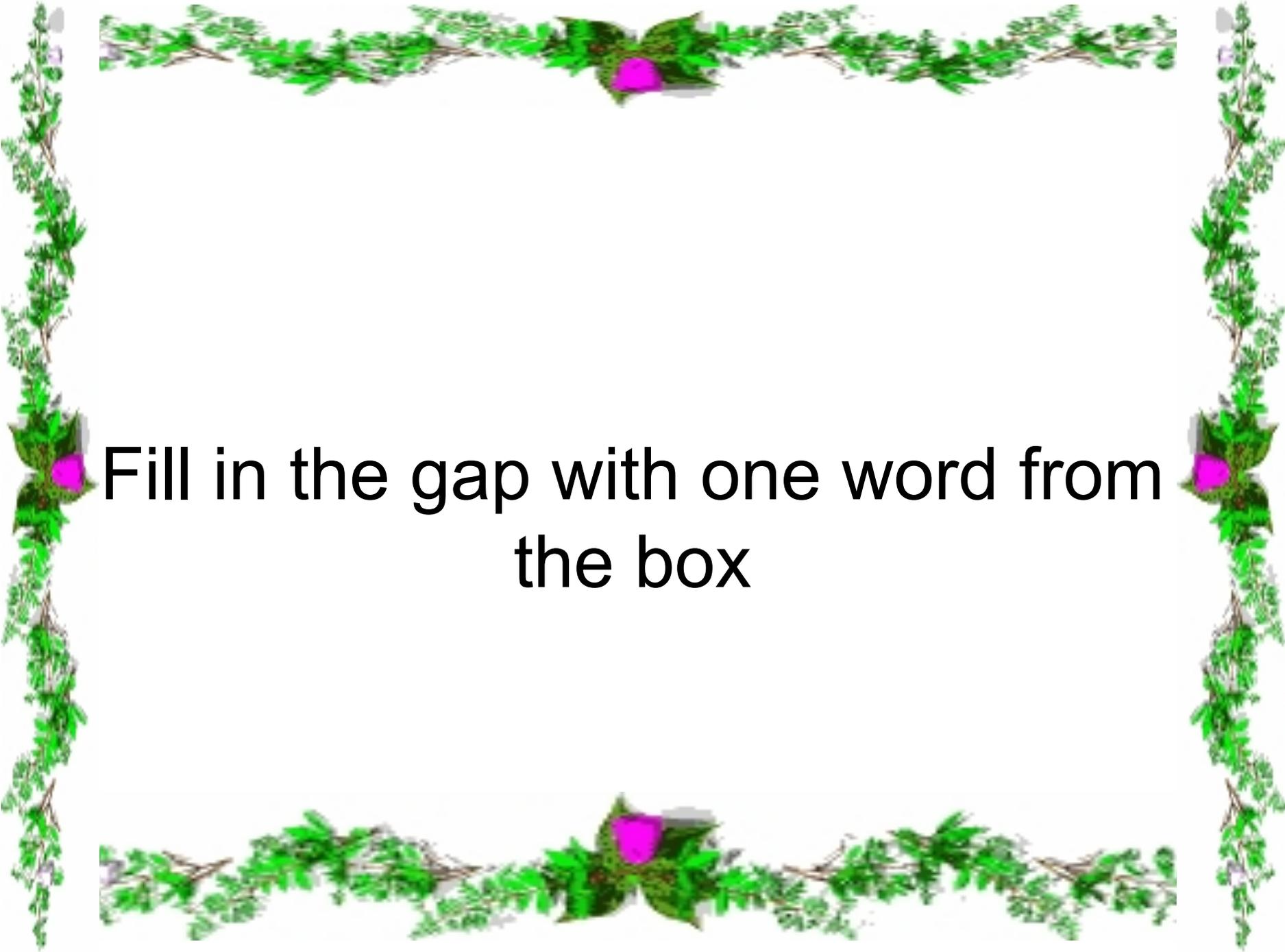


Location of deserts in Australia



Location of deserts in  
Australia



A decorative border made of green leaves and purple flowers surrounds the text. The border consists of four segments: a top horizontal segment, a bottom horizontal segment, a left vertical segment, and a right vertical segment. Each segment features a central purple flower with green leaves.

Fill in the gap with one word from  
the box

~~crest~~

~~desert~~

~~dune~~

~~steep~~

expedition

~~hummock~~

~~stretches~~

spinifex

sloping

~~sandy~~

aerial survey

1 The Great Victoria Desert stretches for miles.

2. (of a slope, stairs) rising or falling sharply ,not gradually:  
steep.

3.” sandy “ means “ covered with sand”.

4.The wind blew in from desert and covered everything with sand.

5. A crest is a top of a slope or hill .

6.Adune is a low hill of sand formed by wind, in a desert.

7. A hummock is a small raised area of ground, like a very small hill.

# TASK

## TRUE / FALSE STATEMENTS

		T / F
1.	There are three great deserts in Australia.	
2.	In 1929, the desert was named after Simpson.	
3.	The dunes are same all over the desert.	
4.	There are more dunes <sub>es</sub> in the Western part of the desert.	
5.	Dry salt lakes are in the northern part of the desert.	

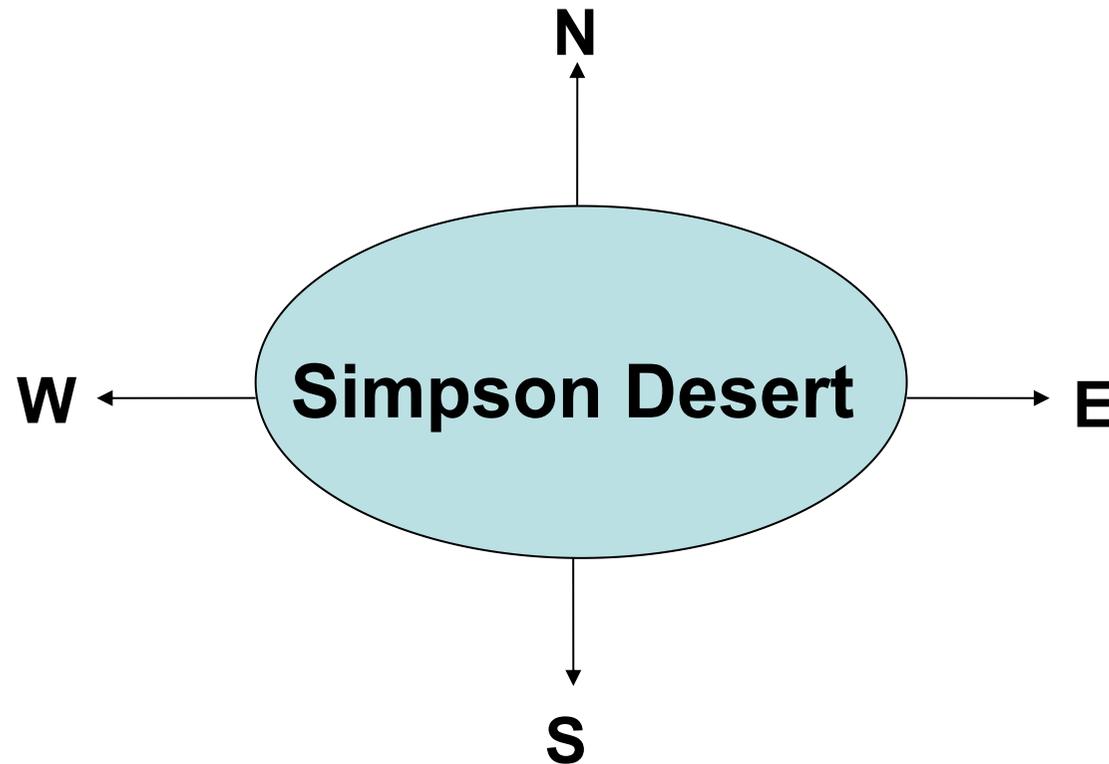
# TRUE / FALSE STATEMENTS

		T / F
1.	There are three great deserts in Australia.	F
2.	The Simpson Desert is the largest one in the world.	F
3.	In 1929, The desert was named after Simpson	T
4.	There are more dunes in the Western part of the desert.	F
5.	Dry salt lakes are in the northern part of the desert.	T

## **Choose the option A, B, or C that best fits each sentence**

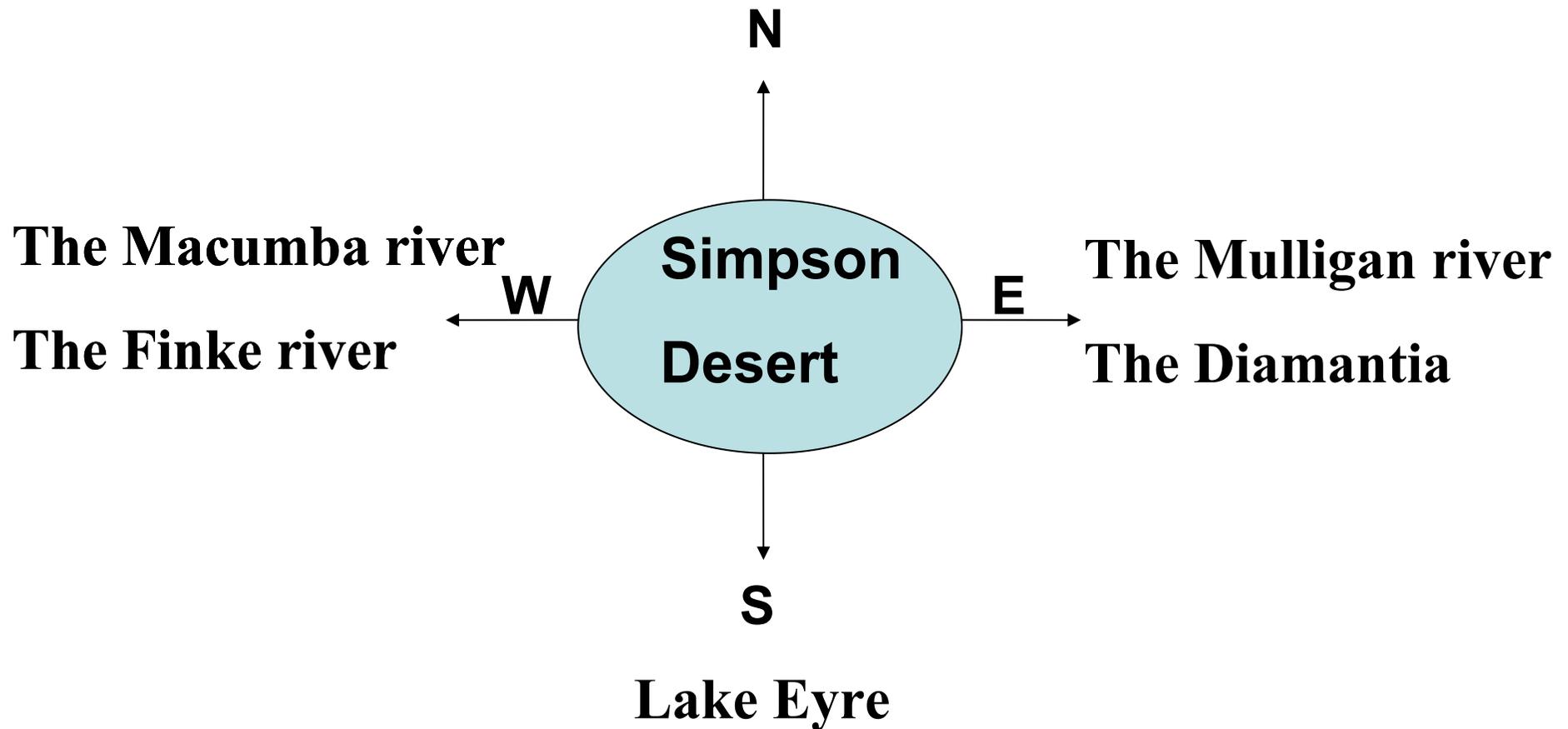
- 1. The three great stretches of sandy deserts which circle the centre of Australia are Great Victoria Desert, Gibson, Great Sandy and Tanami Desert and ..... Desert.  
A. Sandy                      **B. Simpson**                      C. Sahara
- 2. The ..... Desert lies between Lake Eyre in the South, the Macdonnell Ranges in the north, the Mulligan and the Diamantina Rivers in the east, and the Macumba and Frinkle River in the west.  
**A. Simpson**                      B. Great Sandy                      C. Great Victoria
- 3. The first European entered the desert in.....  
A. 1945                      **B. 1845**                      C. 1926
- 4. Simpson was the..... of the South Australia Branch of The Royal Geographical Society of Australia.  
**A. President**                      B. Manager                      C. Inventor
- 5. E. A. Colson and an Australian Aborigine traveled across the desert by .....  
A. lizards                      **B. camels**                      C. insects
- 6. In the western part, the dunes are short, mostly less than ..... metres high  
A. 20                      B. 15                      **C. 10**
- 7. In the northern part, the dunes are parallel and are up to..... metres high.  
**A. 20**                      B. 15                      C. 10
- 8. There are two kinds of grass growing in the Simpson Desert. They are hummock grasses and.....  
A. cactus                      B. acacia                      **C. spinifex**

# Write down the location of the Simpson Desert



Write down the location of the Simpson Desert

**The Macdonnell Ranges**



# Work in groups: Talk about the deserts

Desert	State/Territory	Area/size		Proportion of Australian landmass
<a href="#"><u>Great Victoria Desert</u></a>	Western Australia, South Australia	348,750 k m <sup>2</sup>	134,650 sq mi	4%
<a href="#"><u>Great Sandy Desert</u></a>	Western Australia	267,250 k m <sup>2</sup>	103,190 sq mi	3.5%
<a href="#"><u>Tanami Desert</u></a>	Western Australia, Northern Territory	184,500 k m <sup>2</sup>	71,200 sq mi	2.4%
<a href="#"><u>Simpson Desert</u></a>	Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia	176,500 k m <sup>2</sup>	68,100 sq mi	2.3%
<a href="#"><u>Gibson Desert</u></a>	Western Australia	156,000 k m <sup>2</sup>	60,000 sq mi	2.0%
<a href="#"><u>Little Sandy Desert</u></a>	Western Australia	111,500 k m <sup>2</sup>	43,100 sq mi	1.5%
<a href="#"><u>Strzelecki Desert</u></a>	South Australia, Queensland, New South Wales	80,250 km <sup>2</sup>	30,980 sq mi	1.0%
<a href="#"><u>Sturt Stony Desert</u></a>	South Australia, Queensland, New South Wales	29,750 km <sup>2</sup>	11,490 sq mi	0.3%
<a href="#"><u>Tirari Desert</u></a>	South Australia	15,250 km <sup>2</sup>	5,890 sq mi	0.2%
<a href="#"><u>Pedirka Desert</u></a>	South Australia	1,250 km <sup>2</sup>	480 sq mi	0.1%

# HOMWORK:

- ❖ Learn the lesson.
- ❖ Prepare the next lesson



A landscape photograph featuring a large, rounded green bush in the foreground, a tall tree in the middle ground, and a sky filled with white and grey clouds. The ground is reddish-brown soil.

**Thank you for your attendance**

**GOODBYE**

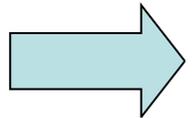
# SIMPSON DESERT



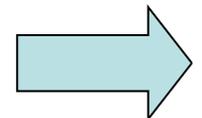
# dune (n)



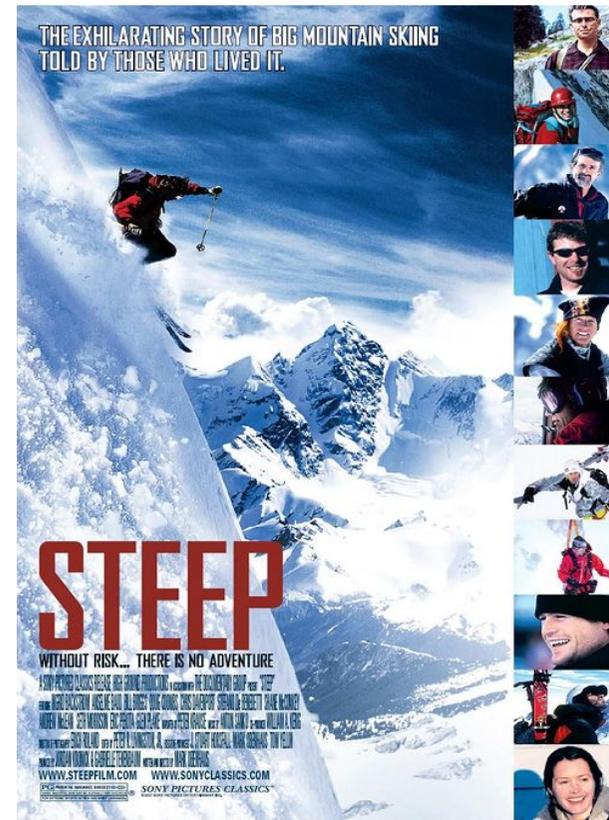
mound of loose sand formed by wind



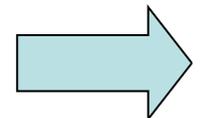
sloping (adj)



steep (adj)



sloping sharply



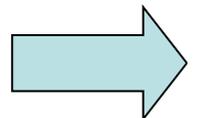
hummock (n)



crest (n)



top (of mountain)



spinifex (n)



a kind of grass

