

Social Studies
Global Geography: Basic
Unit 4: Australia

Essential Understandings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political, physical, economic, social, historic, and environmental factors contributed to the development of this region.
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is the region located? What are the names of the countries in the region? What are the major physical features?
Essential Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges that face this region include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farming/food for an arid land with an increasing population Economic and environmental developments History of a region shapes its characteristics.
Vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Terms:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outback, marsupial, Aborigines, Maori, atoll, pidgin, matrilineal
Essential Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use a timeline to show patterns that developed in this region. Identify defining events in the history of this region. Draw place and/or feature locations. Identify names, locations, and characteristics of political and physical features.
Related Maine Learning Results	<p><u>Social Studies</u> D. Geography D1. Geographic Knowledge, Concepts, Themes, and Patterns Students understand the geography of the United States and various regions of the world and the effect of geographic influences on decisions about the present and future. b. Describe the major regions of the Earth and their major physical, environmental, and cultural features using a variety of geographic tools.</p>
Sample Lessons And Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essay Prompt: "What different product and products come from this region?"
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Organizer
Sample Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Other Resources:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Created Materials