**Задание для группы С11 для урока ангийского языка 22.04.20**

**Тема: Australia**

* Ваша задача: получить информацию о стране, расширить свой кругозор, отработать слова.
* Читаете и переводите текст. Письменно отвечаете на вопросы **полными** предложениями (Ядрошников тоже, и все другие, кому делала уже замечания по этому поводу). Обязательно пишите заголовок и дату.
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**Australia** is the smallest [continent](https://www.britannica.com/science/continent) and one of the largest countries on the Earth, lying between the [Pacific](https://www.britannica.com/place/Pacific-Ocean) and [Indian](https://www.britannica.com/place/Indian-Ocean) oceans in the Southern Hemisphere. Australia is separated from [Indonesia](https://www.britannica.com/place/Indonesia)  by the [Timor](https://www.britannica.com/place/Timor-Sea) and [Arafura](https://www.britannica.com/place/Arafura-Sea) seas, from Papua New Guinea by the [Coral Sea](https://www.britannica.com/place/Coral-Sea) and the [Torres Strait](https://www.britannica.com/place/Torres-Strait), from [New Zealand](https://www.britannica.com/place/New-Zealand)  by the [Tasman Sea](https://www.britannica.com/place/Tasman-Sea), and from [Antarctica](https://www.britannica.com/place/Antarctica)  the [Indian Ocean](https://www.britannica.com/place/Indian-Ocean). At least 60,000 years before European explorers, the first [Aboriginal](https://www.britannica.com/topic/Australian-Aboriginal) explorers had arrived from [Asia](https://www.britannica.com/place/Asia) and discovered this continent. When Captain [Arthur Phillip](https://www.britannica.com/biography/Arthur-Phillip) of the British [Royal Navy](https://www.britannica.com/topic/Royal-Navy) landed with the First Fleet at [Botany Bay](https://www.britannica.com/place/Botany-Bay) in 1788, there may have been between 250,000 and 500,000 Aboriginals.

Australia’s capital is [Canberra](https://www.britannica.com/place/Canberra), located between the more important economic and cultural centres of [Sydney](https://www.britannica.com/place/Sydney-New-South-Wales) and [Melbourne](https://www.britannica.com/place/Melbourne). The population is about 25,8 mln people, with over 80 percent being of European origin. Today the population of Australia consists of more than 270 ethnic groups. Although some nine-tenths of Australia’s population is of European ancestry, more than one-fifth is foreign-born, and there is a small but important Aboriginal population.

Australia is a constitutional monarchy with a federal division of powers. The Head of State is the Queen Elizabeth II. The government consists of the bicameral Parliament, the Senate, and the House of Representatives. Australia has a federal form of government, with a national government for the Commonwealth of Australia and individual state governments (those of [New South Wales](https://www.britannica.com/place/New-South-Wales), [Victoria](https://www.britannica.com/place/Victoria-state-Australia), [Queensland](https://www.britannica.com/place/Queensland-state-Australia), [South Australia](https://www.britannica.com/place/South-Australia), [Western Australia](https://www.britannica.com/place/Western-Australia), and [Tasmania](https://www.britannica.com/place/Tasmania)). Six states have a constitution, and its government. There are also two territories: [Northern Territory](https://www.britannica.com/place/Northern-Territory), and the [Australian Capital Territory](https://www.britannica.com/place/Australian-Capital-Territory).

 Australia’s isolation from other continents explains much of its plant and animal life. Its unique flora and fauna include hundreds of kinds of [eucalyptus](https://www.britannica.com/plant/Eucalyptus) trees and the only egg-laying mammals on the Earth, the [platypus](https://www.britannica.com/animal/platypus), [echidna](https://www.britannica.com/animal/echidna-monotreme), dingoes, kangaroos, koalas, and kookaburras.

The [Great Barrier Reef](https://www.britannica.com/place/Great-Barrier-Reef) is the greatest mass of coral in the world and one of the world’s foremost tourist attractions.

The most economically important mineral reserves are located in Western Australia (iron ore, nickel, [bauxite](https://www.britannica.com/science/bauxite), diamonds, gold, mineral sands, and offshore natural gas), Queensland (bauxite, bituminous black coal, lead, mineral sands, [zinc](https://www.britannica.com/science/zinc), and silver ).

In such a huge continent there are many variations in landforms and climate. There is a vast difference between the red rocks and monumental hills of central Australia and the tropical rainforests and sugar plantations of northern Queensland. Australia is mainly a compact tropical and near-tropical continent.

 **Перевести на русский язык.**

Although [English](https://www.britannica.com/topic/English-language) is not Australia’s official language, it is effectively the de facto national language and is almost universally spoken. Nevertheless, there are hundreds of [Aboriginal languages](https://www.britannica.com/topic/Australian-Aboriginal-languages), though many have become extinct since 1950, and most of the surviving languages have very few speakers. Mabuiag, spoken in the western [Torres Strait Islands](https://www.britannica.com/place/Torres-Strait-Islands), and the [Western Desert](https://www.britannica.com/place/Great-Sandy-Desert) language have about 8,000 and 4,000 speakers, respectively, and about 50,000 Aboriginal people may still have some knowledge of an Australian language. The languages of immigrant groups in Australia are also spoken, most notably Chinese, Italian, and Greek.

**Questions**

1. Where is Australia located?

2. What is Australia washed by?

3.When was it discovered?

4.When had European ships landed to this continent?

5.What city is its capital?

6. How many people live in this country?

7. What three groups can its population be divided into?

8.How big is the number of the Aboriginal population?

9. What is Australia politically?

10. Who is the head of the country?

11.How many regions is Australia divided into?

12.What unique flora and fauna are there on the continent?

13.What mineral resources is it rich in?

14. What variations in landforms are there in Australia?