

Instructions

Preparing the Game:

Print and cut out the cards you wish to use. A set of cards in color and a set of black and white cards are both included. Students can color the black and white set to make their own set of cards if they wish. There are 9 sets of cards and 6 wild cards that feature Australian symbols. The cards will last longer if they are printed on cardstock and laminated, but they can be used just as easily if they are printed on copy paper and laminated or just printed on paper. Cut the cards apart on the lines. You can use all 9 sets of cards to play or choose to use fewer sets if you want a shorter game. There is a blank page included that you or your students can use to add different Australian symbols if you wish.

Playing the Game:

Shuffle or mix the cards together well that are being used. Put the cards in a pile in the center of the table. Each player, starting with the youngest and moving clockwise, draws a card from the pile until each player has three cards. This is the starting hand for each player. The object of the game is to get as many sets of cards as possible. Each set has six cards that show different symbols from a state or territory in Australia; one set shows national symbols. Each card also has the name of the nation, state, or territory and the name of the symbol shown. After the players have drawn their cards, they organize them in their hand without showing them to anyone. For example, if a player has the following cards: a "Victoria" card and two "Tasmania" cards, they should put the "Tasmania" cards side by side in their hand to see what they still need to make a set of "Tasmania" cards.

The first player draws two cards from the pile of cards in the center of the table. They decide if these cards will help them make a set of cards. The player takes one card from their hand (either one they already had or one of the cards they have just drawn) and mixes it back into the pile of cards on the table. Whenever a player has a full set of six cards (six cards from the same nation, province, or territory, such as six "Tasmania" cards or six "Victoria" cards), they should play the set instead of discarding a card. Play continues until all the cards have been drawn. After the final card is drawn, anyone holding a complete set that has not been played (such as one that the player may have forgotten to play on their turn or one that can be made complete with a wild card), should play the set. The player with the most complete sets at the end of the game wins.

Using the Wild Card:

There are six wild cards showing additional Australian symbols. Each wild card can replace one, and only one, of the cards in a set. For example, if someone has five of the cards from the nation, a state, or a territory, and draws a wild card, they can use this to replace the one card in the set they are missing. A player can use as many wild cards as they like, but they can only use one wild card per set.



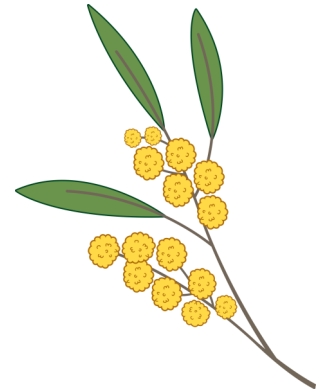
Australia

Country



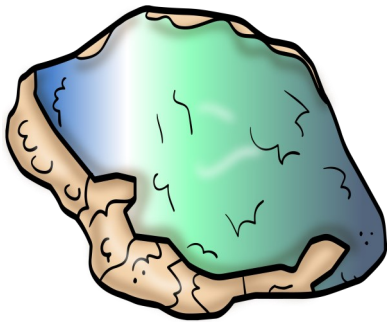
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National Flag



Australia

Golden Wattle



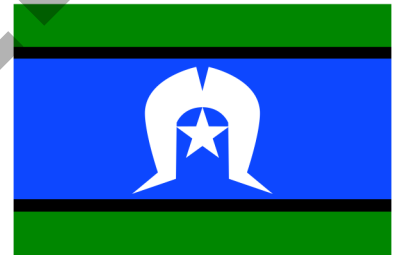
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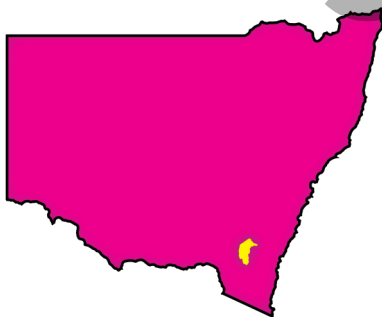
Australia

Australian
Aboriginal Flag



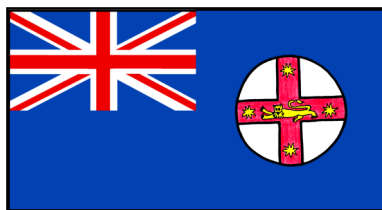
Australia

Torres Strait
Islander Flag



New South Wales

State



New South Wales

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New South Wales

Black Opal



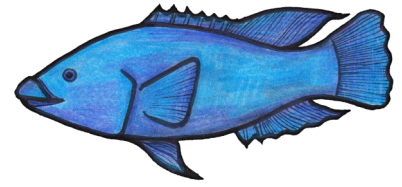
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Waratah



New South Wales

Laughing Kookaburra



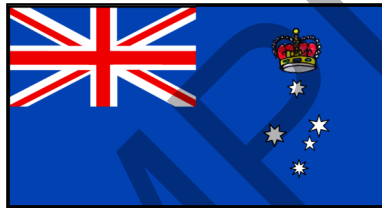
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Blue Groper



Victoria

State



Victoria

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Victoria

Common Pink Heath



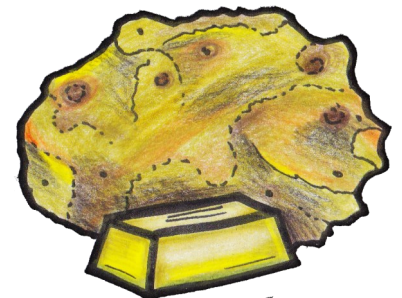
Victoria

Leadbeater's Possum



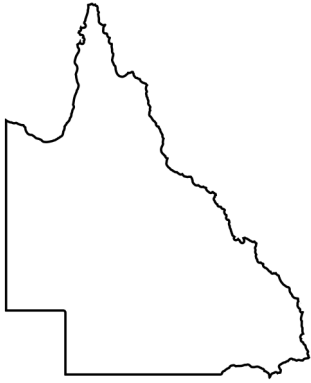
Victoria

Weedy Seadragon



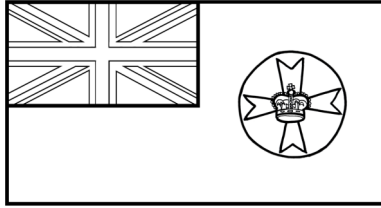
Victoria

Gold



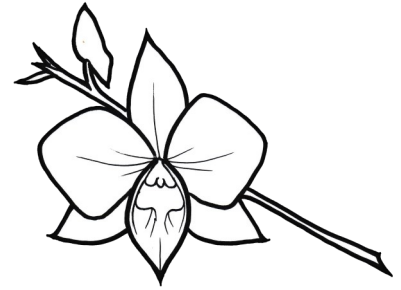
Queensland

State



Queensland

Flag



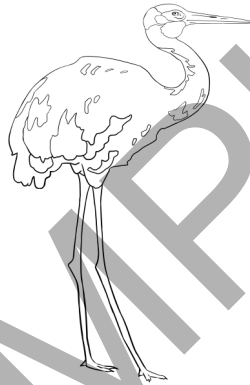
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Cooktown Orchid



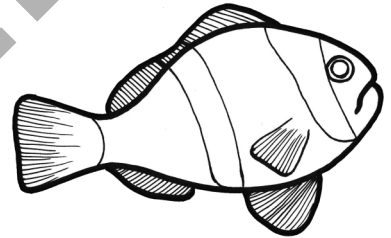
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Koala



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Brolga



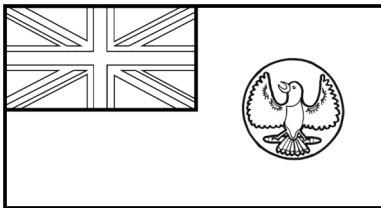
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Barrier Reef
Anemone Fish



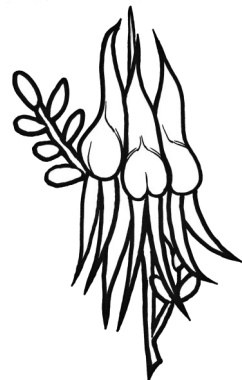
South Australia

State



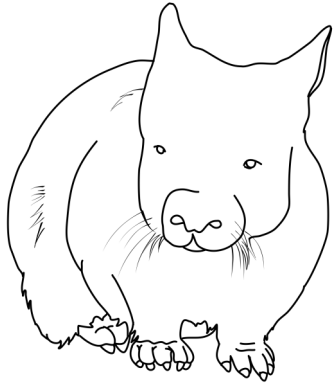
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South Australia

Sturt's Desert Pea



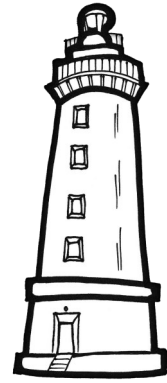
South Australia

Southern Hairy-Nosed
Wombat



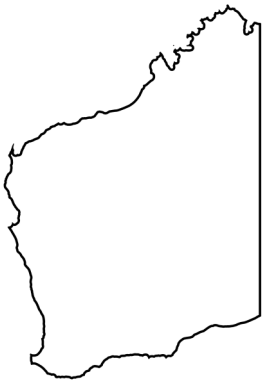
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Leafy Seadragon



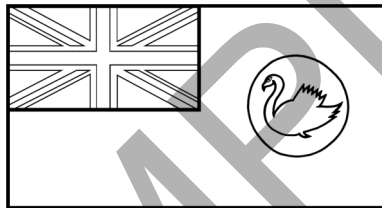
South Australia

Cape Willoughby
Lighthouse



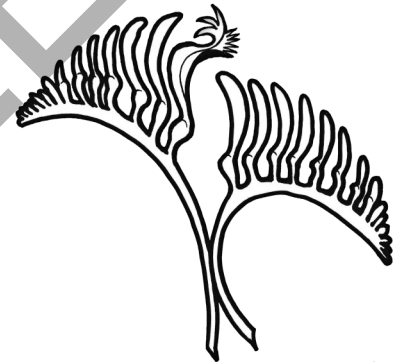
Western Australia

State



Western Australia

Flag



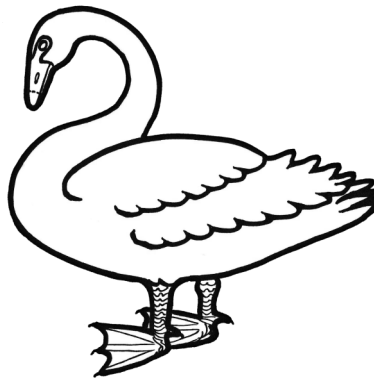
Western Australia

Red and Green
Kangaroo Paw



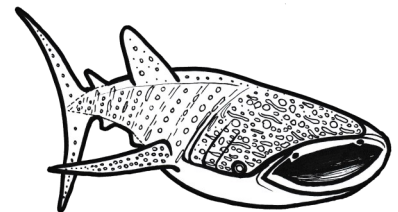
Western Australia

Numbat



Western Australia

Black Swan



Western Australia

Whale Shark