Continent of Oceania
What Is a Continent?

Here are the seven continents of Planet Earth. A continent is a massive piece of land that is often separated from other areas of land by water or another feature, such as mountains.

North America  Europe  Asia
South America  Africa  Oceania
Antarctica
Not cool! Grandmaster Glitch has muddled up the letters! Can you rearrange them to work out the names of the continents?

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Reveal Answers
Continent Anagram Quiz

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You may not have heard of Oceania before but you might have heard of a country within the continent of Oceania, called **Australia**.
Can you point to **Australia**?
Let’s take a closer look at Oceania. To the Vroomster!
As well as Australia, New Zealand is part of Oceania, along with many other islands. The continent is surrounded by different bodies of water.
How many countries or islands on the continent of Oceania can you remember in one minute? **Tell your partner.**
Look at these pictures. Which are images of Oceania?
Oceania

Did you work it out?
They all are!

Fiji
Australia
New Zealand
Tasmania
What Is a Landmark?

Can you remember what a landmark is?

A landmark is something that stands out in an area. For example, it could be a building, a bridge, a lake, a river or a sculpture. It might be special because of its age or size.

A landmark makes a place recognisable. This means you could look at a picture of a landmark and know straight away where it is.
Famous Landmarks

Eiffel Tower, France

Great Pyramid of Giza, Egypt

Grand Canyon, USA

Do you recognise any of these famous landmarks from around the world?
Now let’s explore the continent of **Oceania**!
Australia

Around 24 million people live in Australia, which is not that many considering how large it is. 65 million people live in the United Kingdom. You could fit the UK into Australia 22 times! The capital city is Canberra. Can you spot it on the map?
The Great Barrier Reef

Australia is home to amazing wildlife, including the Great Barrier Reef. **Geographic!** Listen to Ubercorn’s **funky facts** to find out more.
Uluru

This huge, ancient sandstone rock can be found in central Australia. It appears to change colour at different times of the day.

Is this a **physical** or **human** feature? **physical**
Sydney Opera House

This is one of Australia’s most famous landmarks. Performances, such as ballet or music concerts, take place here. It is located on the east coast of Australia. **What does the shape of the building remind you of?**

Is this a **physical** or **human** feature? **human**
Russell Falls

Although Tasmania is a separate island, it is part of Australia. Russell Falls can be found inside the Mount Field National Park.

Can you see the different tiers of the waterfall?
Grimbots, I’m so excited for my Australian camping trip. It’s getting dark so get my tent ready and light the campfire. Let’s toast marshmallows!

Wait a second Grandmaster Glitch!
Watch this.
Australia’s seasons are the opposite to the seasons in the United Kingdom. When the UK is in winter, Australia is in their summer. Many Australians celebrate Christmas on the beach!
New Zealand’s main islands are **North** and **South** Islands.

The capital city of New Zealand is Wellington, which is on North Island.

Almost three quarters of South Island is made up of mountains and rocky ground.
The Sky Tower can be found in Auckland, on North Island. It is 328 metres tall which makes it the tallest building in New Zealand.
Sky Tower

Inside you’ll find hotels, restaurants and a theatre. One of the restaurants revolves. **Now that’s what I call a meal with a view!**
I have to fly way up high to get a good view of New Zealand’s tallest mountain. It’s on South Island and a popular place for hikers and mountain climbers. The indigenous people of the land named this mountain **Aoraki**.

Since being landmarked by the explorer James Cook, it was given an additional name, **Mount Cook**.
The country of Vanuatu is made up of several islands. One of the islands, Tanna Island, is home to Mount Yasur – an active volcano. It is thought to be one of the most active volcanoes in the world.
Amédée Lighthouse

New Caledonia is home to the Amédée Lighthouse. Amazingly, it was made in France then taken to pieces before being transported to its island home. The lighthouse has 247 steps. It is one of the tallest lighthouses in the world and made from metal. Awesome!
Lake Murray is the largest lake in Papua New Guinea.
Haʻamonga ʻa Maui

This trilithon can be found on the island of Tongatapu, one of the many islands of Tonga. A **trilithon** is a structure made up of two vertical stones with one resting horizontally across the top. You might have seen something similar if you’ve been to Stonehenge in England.
Haʻamonga ʻa Maui

It is around 5 metres tall and thousands of years old. We are not certain why it was created. It has been said that it was built as a royal gateway or to symbolise the brotherhood between the King's two sons long ago.
Nauru is the smallest island nation in Oceania and in the world. Can you spot it on the map? Many of the people who live there speak English. Its closest neighbour is an island 200 miles away! Where is 200 miles away from you?
How much have you learned about the continent of Oceania? **It’s time to find out!**
Oceania Quiz

1. In which country would you find this landmark?

Can you remember its name?

Reveal Answer
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2. Can you remember the name of this very tall building?

It's a human geographical feature.

The Sky Tower

Is it a physical or human geographical feature?

Reveal Answer

Reveal Answer
3. Is Aoraki / Mount Cook on the North or South Island of New Zealand?

Oceania Quiz

Reveal Answer
4. What is Mount Yasur?

Is it a human or physical geographical feature?

Reveal Answer

Reveal Answer
5. Haʻamonga ʻa Maui can be found on which island?

Reveal Answer