# ADOPT A COASTLINE



YEAR FOUR TO SEVEN TEACHERS GUIDE

### A DAY AT THE BEACH

History

**Five** 

This activity introduces students to tools and implements used by Indigenous people. After some research students are asked to imagine they are an Indigenous person spending a day at the beach.

Year	Content Description	Elaborations	Teaching Points
Four	Historical Knowledge and Understanding / First Contacts The diversity and longevity of Australia's first peoples and the ways Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait	Investigating pre- contact ways of life of the Aboriginal people and/or Torres Strait Islanders; their knowledge of their environment including land management	<ul> <li>Aboriginal tools and implements.</li> <li>Pronunciation of Nyungar words.</li> <li>Appropriate use of the Internet for research</li> </ul>

### the implications for their daily lives. ACHHK077

Historical Skills /

**Explanation and** 

Communication

descriptions, which

incorporate source

narratives and

materials.

ACHHS105

Develop texts, particularly

waterways and skies) and

Islander peoples are

connected to Country

and Place (land, sea,

### Using sources to develop narratives.

practices; their sense of the

interconnectedness of

Country/Place, People,

some of their principles (such as caring for country,

Culture and Identity; and

caring for each other and respecting all things).

### • Using some of the language devices of narratives, evocative vocabulary and literary sentence structures but using real characters and events to tell their story.

• Creating visual, oral or written journals reflecting the daily life experiences of different inhabitants of a convict or colonial settlement.

- ne (websites provided).
- Diary writing.

### As above +

- Use of fact in narratives.
- Use of a word wall to encourage descriptive and Nyungar language.
- Examples of journals or diaries.

These educational resources have been produced by the City of Joondalup with the expertise of a teacher and all due care has been taken to ensure accurate information has been provided and the work is Australian Curriculum aligned. The City does not guarantee that it is free from error or omission.

	16.	
		- V
_		

C

Year	Content Description	Elaborations	Teaching Points
Six	Historical Skills / Explanation and Communication Develop texts, particularly narratives and descriptions, which incorporate source materials. ACHHS124	<ul> <li>Developing narratives based on information identified from a range of sources (using some of the language devices of narratives, evocative vocabulary, and literary sentence structures but using real characters and events to tell their story).</li> <li>Combining literary and informational language (for example 'Standing on a cold windy pier in Kythera, Dimitri waved goodbye to his crying mother') evocative language and complex narrative structures and factual vocabulary and simple and compound sentence structures (for example 'It was 1956 and Greece was recovering from a long civil war').</li> <li>Composing historical texts (for example information reports, expository texts, persuasive texts, recounts, biographies).</li> </ul>	As above
Seven	Historical Skills / Explanation and Communication Develop texts, particularly descriptions and explanations that use evidence from a range of sources that are acknowledged. ACHHS213	<ul> <li>Outlining the significance of a past event, providing reasons for the event and referring to relevant evidence.</li> <li>Describing the social structure of the ancient society, using evidence from sources such as artwork and written accounts.</li> </ul>	As above

## ADOPT A COASTLINE



### YEAR FOUR TO SEVEN TEACHERS GUIDE

## A DAY AT THE BEACH

This activity introduces students to tools and implements used by Indigenous people. After some research students are asked to imagine they are an Indigenous person spending a day at the beach.

#### Geography Year **Content Description Elaborations Teaching Points Four** Geographical · Recognising that the Aboriginal tools and Knowledge and distribution of Aboriginal implements. Understanding and Torres Strait Islander • Pronunciation of The custodial Peoples before colonisation Nyungar words. responsibility Aboriginal was concentrated in the • Discussion of Nyungar and Torres Strait Islander coastal and riverine areas use of natural Peoples have for Country/ of Australia. resources. Place, and how this Investigating how Aboriginal · only taking enough influences their past and and Torres Strait Islander (always leaving present views about Peoples' ways of living were some behind) e.a. the use of resources. adapted to the resources of not taking all of the ACHGK023 their Country/Place. turtle eggs Investigating how moving to knowledge and practices new areas shared among Aboriginal before resources and Torres Strait Islander become depleted. Peoples are linked to sustainable use of resources and environments. Identifying how Aboriginal **Five** Geographical As above + Knowledge and and Torres Strait Islander • Use of rock fish traps in Understanding communities altered the estuaries, lakes and The influence of people, environment through their rivers. including Aboriginal and methods of land and • Burning bush to drive Torres Strait Islander resource management. animals out in order to Peoples, on the spear them OR to environmental encourage new growth characteristics of in plants. Australian places. ACHGK027

	aars	nnv
UC		phy

C

Googlapity			
Year	Content Description	Elaborations	Teaching Points
Six	Geographical Knowledge and Understanding The world's cultural diversity, including that of its Indigenous peoples. ACHGK033	Recognising that     Aboriginals moved with the     six seasons to travel to     areas with abundant food     sources.	As above + • Nyungar tribal tracks through areas.
Seven	Geographical Knowledge and Understanding / Unit 1: Water in the World The economic, cultural, spiritual and aesthetic value of water for people, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and peoples of the Asia region. ACHGK041	Exploring the multilayered meanings (material, cultural and spiritual wellbeing) associated with rivers, waterholes, seas, lakes, soaks and springs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.	As above +  • Dreamtime stories associated with water.

### **Teaching Points**

 A word on spelling: 'Nyungar' may also be written as 'Nyoongar', 'Noongar', 'Nyoongah' or 'Nyungah'.

### **Pre-activities**

- The Joondalup Mooro Boodjar Aboriginal Culture within Mooro Country (City of Joondalup, no date) publication contains local historical stories, maps, food and tool use, Nyungar word meanings and an explanation of the six seasons.
  - The stories could be read as a precursor to the activity, giving students the Indigenous perspective on how some of the local landforms were made.
  - Classroom displays of the Nyungar words for local places, plants and animals could be made.
- Students could compare current maps to maps of the traditional lands of the Mooro country.

Research where the traditional walk trails were. Some of these trails became stock routes and later major roads or highway.

### **Student Activities**

- Use the A Day at the Beach worksheet.
- As a class or in small groups or pairs look at page one of the worksheet.
   Discuss the diagrams:
  - · How would you pronounce the name?
  - · What are they?
  - · What are they used for?
  - · What would we use nowadays?
- Use the suggested websites and/or resources from the library to complete the summary table on page two.
- Write a diary entry or story about a day on the beach, imagining they are one of Yellagonga's people.
  - You may like to do some further research on:
    - kitchen middens
    - type of fish caught
    - ways of cooking the food
    - how to light a fire.

### Post-activities

- Create a visual representation of Nyungar tools, weapons and implements, such as:
  - · a poster
  - · power point presentation
  - · infographic.

#### References

- City of Joondalup, 2011, *Plants and People in Mooro Country: Nyungar Plant Use in Yellagonga Regional Park*, Second Edition.
  - http://www.joondalup.wa.gov.au/Live/Environment/Biodiversity/WetlandZone/PlantsAndPeopleinMooroCountry.aspx
- City of Joondalup, no date, Joondalup Mooro Boodjar Aboriginal Culture within Mooro Country, Joondalup, Western Australia.
  - http://www.joondalup.wa.gov.au/Welcome/History/MooroBoodjar.aspx
- Department of Fisheries and Coastwest, 2011, Aboriginal Coastal Uses, http://beachcombers-kit.fish.wa.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/Aboriginal-Coastal-Uses.pdf
- South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council, 2012, *Kaartdijin Noongar-Noongar Knowledge*, www.noongarculture.org.au
- State Government of Victoria, 2008, *Aboriginal Coastal Shell Middens*, Site Identification Mini Poster 13, Melbourne, Victoria.
- Whitehurst, Rose, 1997, *Noongar Dictionary*, First Edition, Noongar Language and Culture Centre, Western Australia