

Milestone 1 Geography Know Its

Australia – Sydney

*Most famous and largest city in Australia; *Population is just over 4.5 million and it is in the state of New South Wales. *One of the most expensive places in the world to live.

* Sydney is built around Sydney Harbour on the east coast of Australia, next to the Pacific Ocean.

*First European settlement in Sydney was in 1788.

* Weather in Sydney is temperate

*Bondi Beach is well known for relaxing and surfing

* Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House, Sydney Tower - 309 metres tall.

Vocabulary

harbour: part of the sea that has been surrounded by walls

plateau: an area of high, flat land

temperate: rarely extremely hot or cold

settlement: a place where people have come to live

convicts: people found guilty of a crime

London

* London is in the south east of England

*Lies on River Thames

* London is generally flat but has some small hills Highgate Hill and Parliament Hill

* London has some of the richest people living next to some very poor people

*Known for its underground railway, the Tube

* Monuments: Nelson's Column in Trafalgar

Square; the bridges Tower Bridge.

*Population of over 8 million people.

Vocabulary

capital city: a large city, usually where the government operates from

government: the group of people who make the laws in a country

business: making, buying and selling

cultural: to do with the arts and history

population: all the people who live in a place

Edinburgh

* Edinburgh is in Lothian in south east Scotland.

* Edinburgh, one of the seven Scottish cities (Glasgow, Aberdeen, Inverness, Stirling and Perth are the other six) is the capital

*Edinburgh is home to the Scottish parliament called Holyrood.

*The Firth of Forth has bridges to take trains and cars

* Castle Rock, Castle Crag and Arthur's Seat are eroded peaks
Volcanoes

* Old Town and a New Town. The Castle and historic buildings are located along the Royal Mile in the Old Town.

*Edinburgh Waverley is the main railway station

*Festival Fringe, the Edinburgh International Festival, the Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Vocabulary

Gaelic: a Celtic language

parliament: a group of people elected to make decisions about the running of a country

firth: Scottish word for a narrow stretch of water

extinct: no longer active

military tattoo: a show by the armed forces

historic buildings: important buildings from the past

Newcastle

* City in the north east of England. It was built on a Roman settlement called Pons Aelius, which means Hadrian's Bridge

*In the county of Tyne and Wear, it is 46 miles south of the Scottish border and 277 miles north of London.

* Population of about 250,000

* A popular type of bread is a Stottie.

*The locals are called "Geordies"

* The River Tyne is the most significant physical feature of Newcastle. It runs from west to east.

Vocabulary

remnants: leftovers

significant: important

ethnic backgrounds: the country, social or religious group people come from

millennium: a period of one thousand years, particularly one ending with a year that ends '000'

philanthropist: someone who uses their wealth to help others.