

English lesson 1 w.b 13.07 LO: To read and retrieve

Task 1. Read the text about Sydney and answer the questions.

- Sydney is the capital city of New South Wales, Australia. It is located on Australia's south-east coast to the Tasman Sea.

- Sydney is Australia's oldest and largest city.

- Sydney has a population of around 4 million people.

- Metropolitan Sydney is classified as Greater Sydney by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). The area extends from Wyong and Gosford in the north to the Royal National Park in the south and follows the coastline in between. Towards the west, the region includes the Blue Mountains, Wollondilly and Hawkesbury. Greater Sydney covers 12367.7 square kilometres and is made up of 43 local councils.

- Sydney is a very multicultural city, hosting many different cultures and background with a growing Chinese and Asian influence.

- Sydney is based around a harbour and is famous for its tourist attractions, beaches, bays and national parks.

- Sydney was first visited by the British in 1770. Captain James Cook and Sir Joseph Banks sailed on the Endeavour into Botany Bay and later, the First Fleet arrived in 1788 under Governor Arthur Phillip.

- It officially became a city in 1842.

- The city is separated into a North and South side. The Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Harbour Tunnel connect both of these sides together.



- Sydney offers a range of great tourist attractions from the world famous Sydney Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge to the sandy shores of Bondi Beach and the bushland scenery of the Three Sisters in the Blue Mountains.



1. Where is Sydney located?
2. What is its population?
3. Find and copy three places in the region towards the west.
4. Why is Sydney a multicultural city?
5. When did the British first visit Sydney?
6. When did it officially become a city?
7. What connects North and South Sydney?
8. Make a list of tourist attractions in the city.