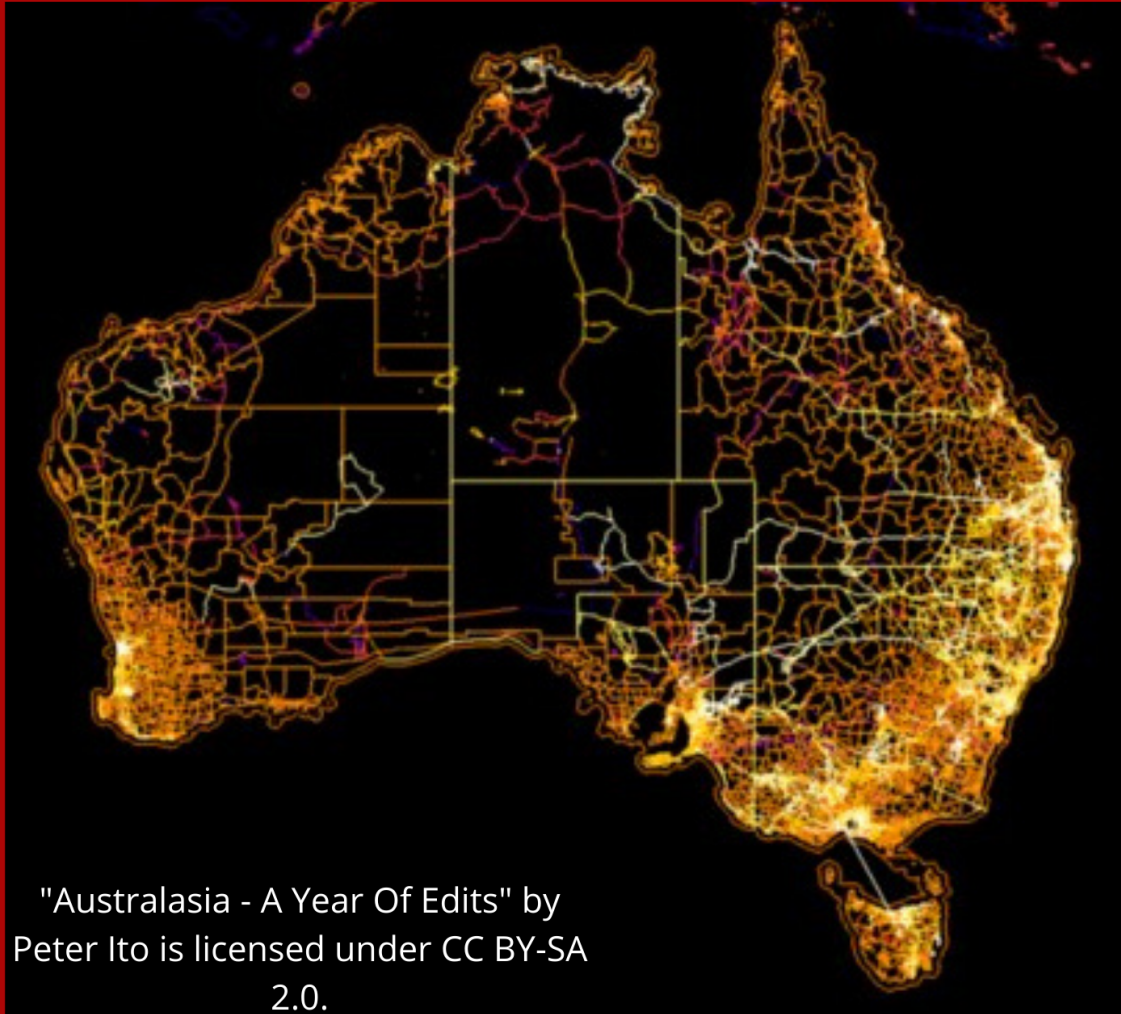


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I love creating unit studies to help provide a rich world to explore. I don't view learning as something finite, or that has an end, so I don't worry about finishing or doing everything. But I love finding a lot of resources for my kids to explore, without the worksheets or quizzes. If you're looking for worksheets, you're going to be disappointed, but if you want diverse lists of resources: books, movies, documentaries, TV shows, websites, and subscriptions, then this unit study is for you. Please do not feel that your child needs to read every book or watch every movie. There are picture books, comic books, early readers, and chapter books of a variety of lengths, so some books will not be appropriate for your child. The same goes for the rest of the resources. Pick and choose what is available to you, what you think your child will enjoy, and what will help the unit study be successful for you. At the same time, don't be afraid to substitute; this is by no means an exhaustive list. Also note that the books can be read by the child, either in print or on an e-reader, read by the caregiver to the child, or listened to by the child as an audiobook. Whatever works for your child is fine.

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Some subscriptions my family has used during our country unit studies, and what I think of them:

[Miss Maisy's Tasty Travels](#) - this is by far my favorite subscription we've gotten. It's a monthly letter that comes with four different recipes, each from a different country or location.

[Little Passports](#) - We got this for two years and kept everything, so you'll see I include it in some of the unit studies. It's recently been revised, and looks really cool now. There is a letter, but also a worksheet and one recipe. Each month is from a different country, and comes with a small toy or activity.

[Around the World Stories](#) - If you have auditory learners, this is excellent! Four ~30 minute stories from each of the countries they feature. However, they seem to have stopped creating new stories part way through Asia, so you might want to be cautious about purchasing the Asia stories.

[Letters from Afar](#) - we do not have this subscription service, but if I can find out what countries they have included, I will include them in my unit studies, as I have heard nothing but amazing things from them.

[Parts Unknown](#) is a TV show, and I really like it. There is some language, so you may want to pre-watch for young learners. It is available to purchase streaming rights on Amazon. It is mostly about food in different areas, but also goes into some social and political issues.

[Curiosity Stream](#) is all documentaries, and they regularly have sales for just \$12/year! This is one of my family's favorite resources.

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Book List:

Title	Author	# Pgs	Illustrated	Fiction/ Nonfiction
The Mystery at the Coral Reef	Paris, Harper	117	yes	fiction
The Search for the Sunken Treasure: Australia	Hunt, Elizabeth Singer	110	yes	fiction
The Lines We Cross	Abdel-Fattah, Randa	393	no	fiction
Teens in Australia	Haugen, Brenda	96	color	nonfiction
Living in Australia	Perkins, Chloe	32	color	nonfiction
Australia	Cantor, Rachel Anne	32	color	nonfiction
Australia	Hamen, Susan	144	color	nonfiction
Cold Skin	Herrick, Steven	279	no	fiction
Empire of Ruins	Slade, Arthur	293	no	fiction
The Things She's Seen	Kwaymullina, Ambelin	197	no	fiction
Struggle Down Under (Choose Your Own Adventure)	Gilligan, Shannon	123	yes	fiction
Dino-Mike and the Dinosaur Cove	Aureliani, Franco	123	yes	fiction
Dingos at Dinnertime (Magic Treehouse)	Osborne, Mary Pope	71	yes	fiction
Get it Together, Delilah	Gough, Erin	327	yes	fiction
One Day on our Blue Planet: In The Outback	Bailey, Ella	unpaged	color	fiction
Child Convicts	Brennan, Net	29	color	nonfiction
Australian Mammals	Chun, Matt	36	color	nonfiction
Ugly	Hoge, Robert	200	yes	nonfiction
Learning About Australia	Owings, Lisa	40	yes	nonfiction
Escape to Australia	Patterson, James	257	yes	fiction

When We Wake	Healey, Karen	296	no	fiction
The Plunder Down Under	Patterson, James	321	yes	fiction
Do You Really Want to Meet a Platypus?	Meister, Cari	24	color	nonfiction
Do You Really Want to Meet a Crocodile?	Meister, Cari	24	color	nonfiction
The Shackleton Sabotage (Boxcar Kids)	Warner, Gertrude Chandler	145	yes	fiction
The Wake of the Lorelei Lee	Meyer, L. A.	554	no	fiction
Bob	Mass, Wendy	201	yes	fiction
The Harper Effect	Bashford, Taryn	401	no	fiction
Pie in the Sky	Lai, Remy	380	color	fiction
Tippy and Jellybean: the true story of a brave koala who saved her baby from a bushfire	Cunningham, Sophie	unpaged	yes	nonfiction
Ready When You Are	Lonesborough, Gary	239	no	fiction
Task Force	Falkner, Brian	277	no	fiction
The Year of Secret Assignments	Moriarty, Jaclyn	340	no	fiction
Wombat Underground: a wildfire survival story	Thomson, Sarah L.	unpaged	color	fiction
Thorny Devil	Hansen, Grace	24	color	nonfiction
Lucy and Linh	Pung, Alice	340	no	fiction
Welcome, Wombat	Einhorn, Kama	159	color	nonfiction
The Leaf Detective: how Margaret Lowman uncovered secrets in the rainforest	Lang, Heather	unpaged	color	nonfiction
Australian Baby Animals	Lessac, Frane	unpaged	color	nonfiction
Anything But Fine	Madden, Tobias	361	no	fiction
Saving Francesca	Marchetta, Melina	243	no	fiction
Australia	Vonder Brink, Tracy	24	color	nonfiction

Australia	Boraas, Tracey	64	color	nonfiction
Australia	Weil, Ann	48	color	nonfiction

TV Shows:

[H2O, Just Add Water](#)

[The Doctor Blake Mysteries](#) (murder mystery series)

[Surviving Summer](#)

[Dive Club](#)

[Secret Life of the Koala](#)

[Izzy's Koala World](#)

[The Bureau of Magical Things](#)

[The Inbestigators](#)

Possible Subscriptions:

[Around the World Stories](#) (well, theoretically; this is one country they haven't published yet. I'm hoping they'll finish soon, but I've been waiting for over four years)

[Little Passports](#) (month 6)

[Letters From Afar](#)

Movies:

Name	Length	Rating	Fun/Documentary
Families of Australia	28 mins	N/R	documentary
Zoo Squad	81 mins	G	documentary
Ride a Wild Pony	91 mins	G	drama
The Sundowners	133 mins	N/R	fun
The Rescuers Down Under	78 mins	G	fun
Return to Snowy River	99 mins	PG	fun
The Man From Snowy River	104 mins	PG	fun
Ride Like a Girl	98 mins	PG	drama
Little Einsteins. Animal Expedition	96 mins	TV-Y	documentary
Australian Bushfire Rescue	57 mins	TVPG	documentary
Countries Around the World: Australia	13 mins	N/R	documentary
Beyond the Boundary	59 mins	TV-G	documentary
A Perfect Pairing	102 mins	TV-14	fun
Back to the Outback	95 mins	PG	fun

Rip Tide	87 mins	TV-PG	fun
This Little Love of Mine	91 mins	TV-G	fun
Raising The Bar	96 mins	TV-Y	fun

Documentaries from Curiosity Stream:

[Jack Hanna's Wild Countdown](#): S1 E18, 22; S2 E6, 9, 12, 21; S3 E15, 19; S4 E4, 7, 9, 18

[Meteorite Men](#), S2 E7, 8

[Bucket List: Australia](#)

[Hidden Australia](#)

[Ocean Mysteries with Jeff Corwin](#): S3 E23, 25; S4 E2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 16

[The Great Australian Fly](#)

[Australia in Colour](#)

[The Bombing of Darwin: An Awkward Truth](#)

[Meet The Marsupials](#)

[Resurrecting Tasmanian Tigers](#)

[These Birds Were Made for Walking](#)

[Australia's Possum Wars](#)

[Wildlife: E3](#)

[Super Senses](#): E2, 3

Recipes:

Vegemite Pasta with Parsley Pangrattato

Australian Meat Pie

Sausage Sizzle (their version of a hot dog)

Anzac Biscuits

White Chocolate Macadamia Nut Cookies

Vegemite on Toast

Sausage Rolls

Cherry Ripe

Tim Tams

Damper

Jam Doughnuts

Barbecue Snags

Traditional Australian Pie Floater

Baked Barramundi with Spicy Dressing

Christmas Fairy Bread

Bush Tomato (akudjura) Scones

Sausage Rolls

Rissole (meatballs)

Char-Grilled Kangaroo and Vegetables

Beer Can Chicken

Green Chicken Curry Pie

Char-Grilled Lime and Garlic Balmain Bug

Websites:

[National Geographic Kids](#) - a free resource, great for kids!

[Geography Now! Australia \(YouTube\)](#)

[Geography Now! Australia's States and Territories](#)

[Radio Garden](#) - listen to Australia's radio stations!

[Culture Grams Australia](#) - an excellent resource for older students

<https://www.delicious.com.au/recipes/collections/gallery/56-recipes-that-are-certified-aussie-classics/y3ceeuw?page=2> - more recipes

<https://www.bestrecipes.com.au/galleries/classic-australian-recipes/c82b5dr0> - more recipes

<https://www.kidspot.com.au/kitchen/recipes/collections/classic-australian-recipes> - more recipes

<https://www.australia.gov.au/>

[https://www.aph.gov.au/About Parliament/House of Representatives/Powers practice and procedure/00 - Infosheets/Infosheet_20 - The Australian system of government](https://www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/House_of_Representatives/Powers_practice_and_procedure/00_-_Infosheets/Infosheet_20_-_The_Australian_system_of_government)

<https://www.australia.com/en-us>

<https://www.intrepidtravel.com/us/australia>

[National Geographic's Australia Travel Guide](#)

Other Resources:

[Purple Rocket Podcast, My Grandpa's Globe, Episode 11: A G'Day in Australia](#)