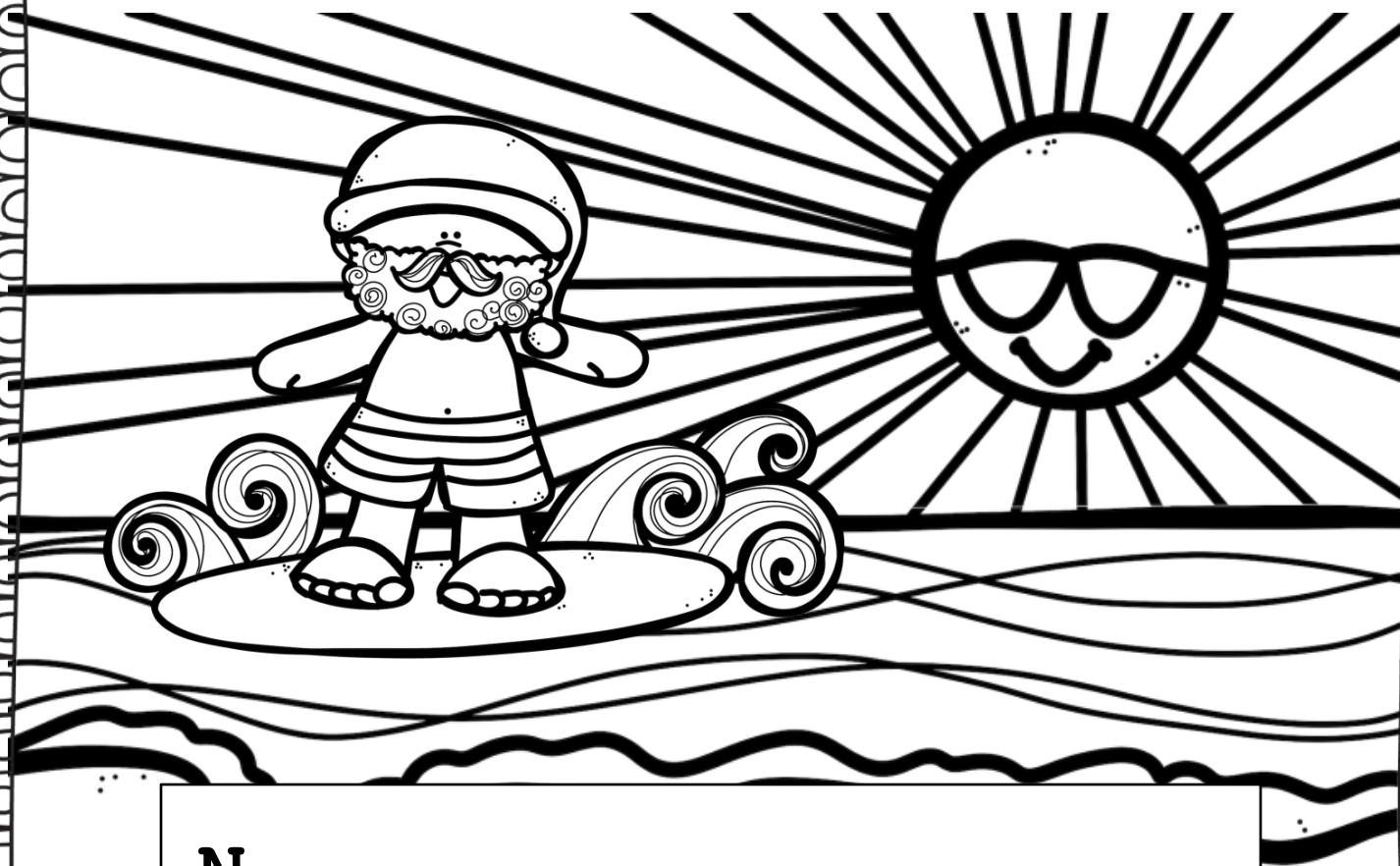
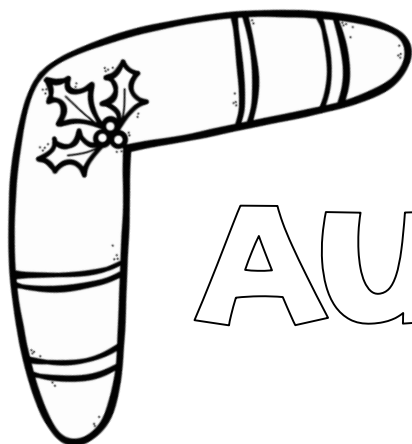


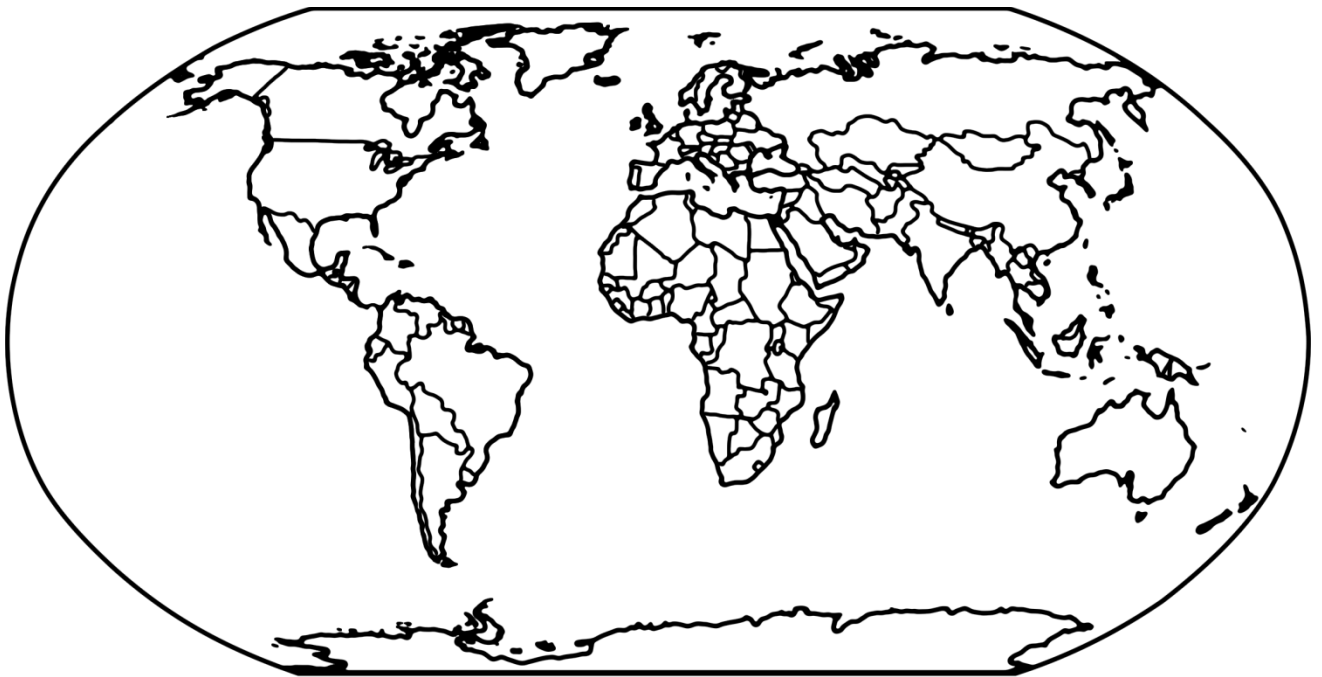
# Christmas In Australia



Name:

# Where is Australia?

Find this country on the map.  
Color this country on the map.



What makes the country of  
Australia unique?

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Christmas in Australia occurs towards the beginning of summer. It is hot outside and children are on summer vacation.

Many Australians like to decorate for Christmas. They might hang wreaths on their front doors or put out a Christmas tree. Many homes will have light displays.

Cities across the country will have Christmas pageants, festivals and parades. Some places will even have fireworks. The most popular event is an outdoor concert called Carols by Candlelight. People will gather to light candles and sing Christmas carols outside.

Many families will go to church together on Christmas Eve. Overnight, Father Christmas or Santa Claus might visit and deliver gifts. In the morning, gifts will be opened and breakfast will be eaten.

Families gather in homes for Christmas. They will have a main meal at lunch. Some might go to the beach or grill dinner out in the evening. Father Christmas might even show up at the beach in shorts!

The weather in Australia is very different from our weather in most parts of America on Christmas.

On Christmas, the weather where I live might look like this:

On Christmas, the weather in Australia looks like this:

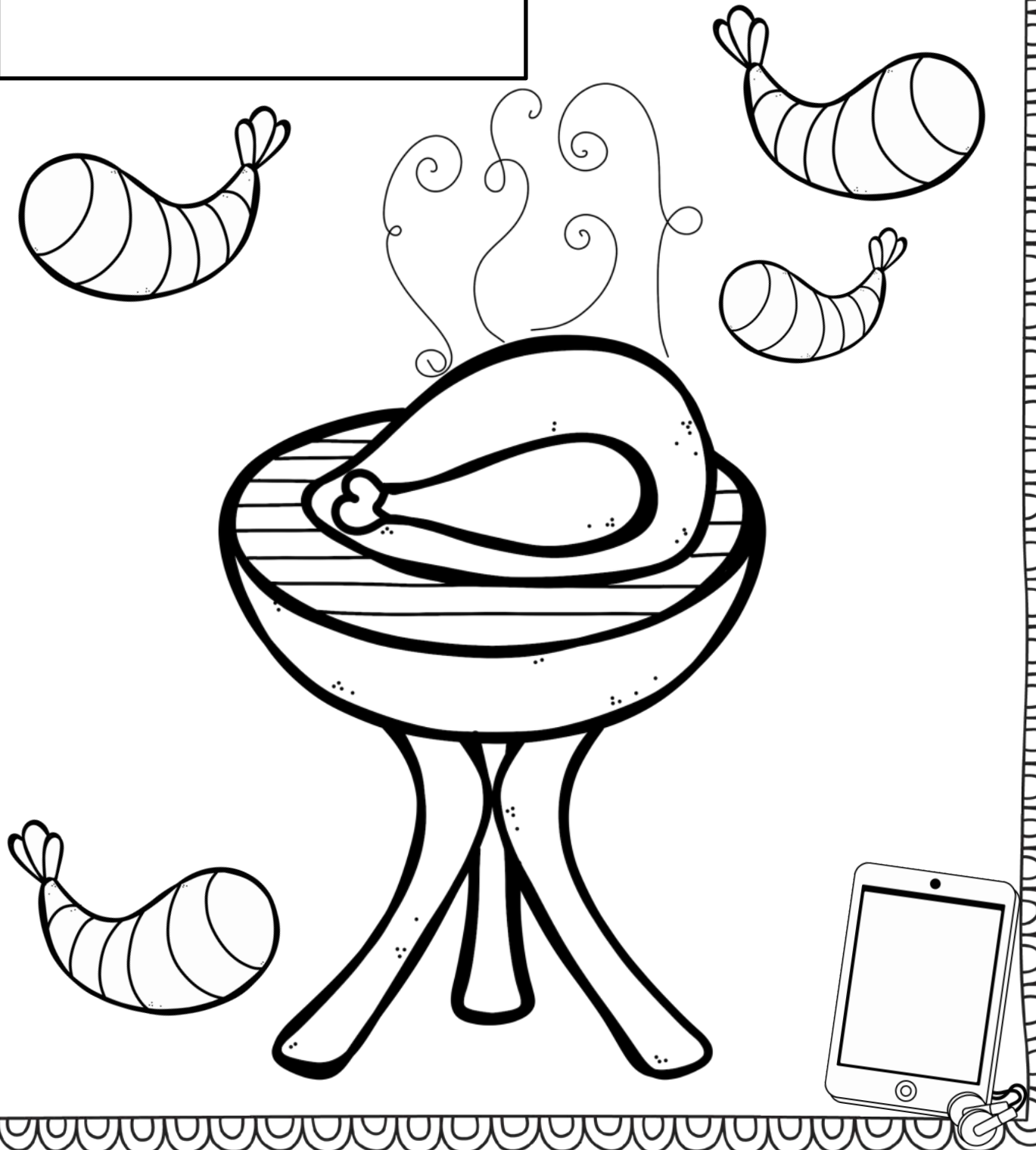




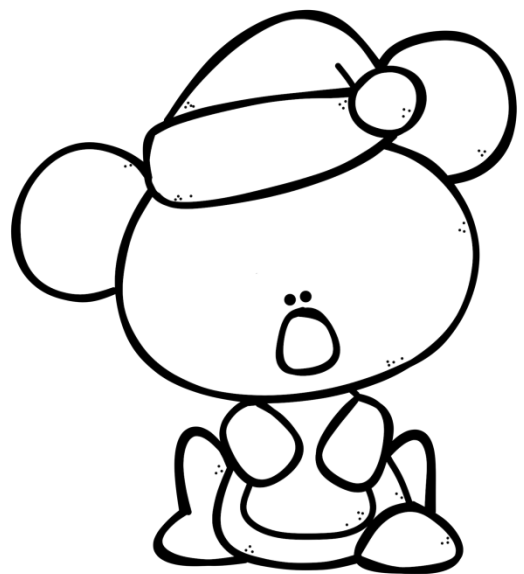
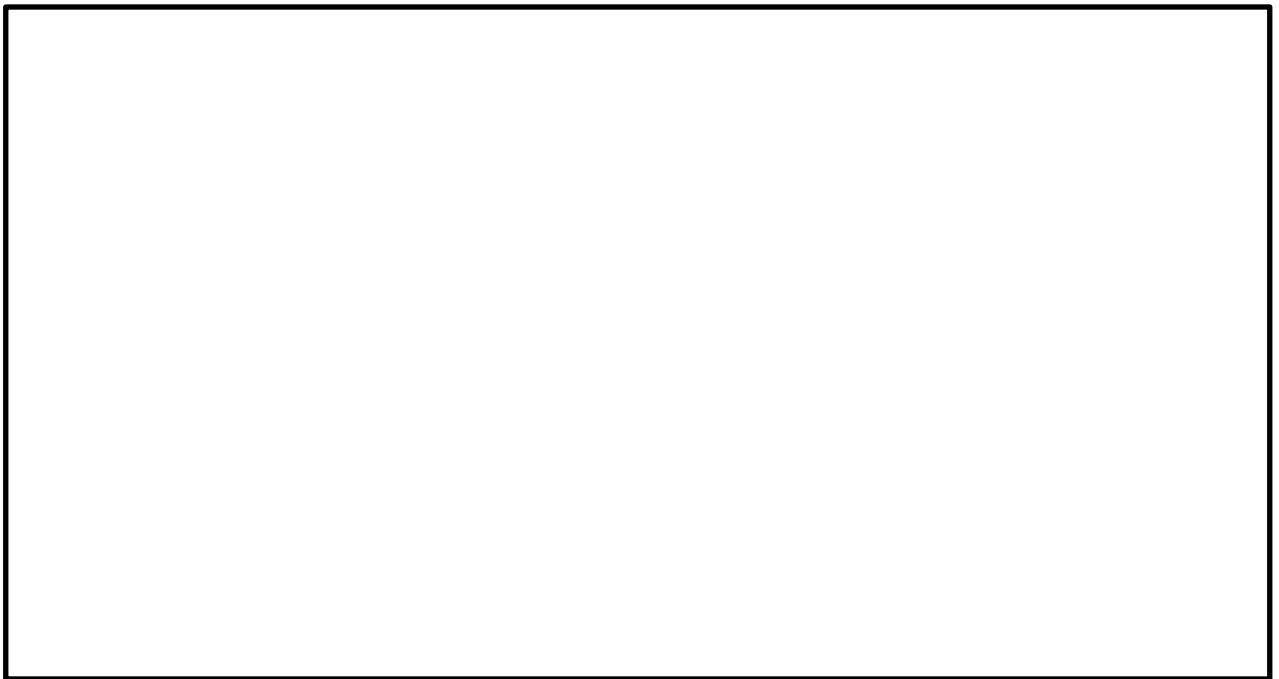


In American, we often think of reindeer as Christmas animals. In Australia, images of kangaroos with Santa hats are more common.

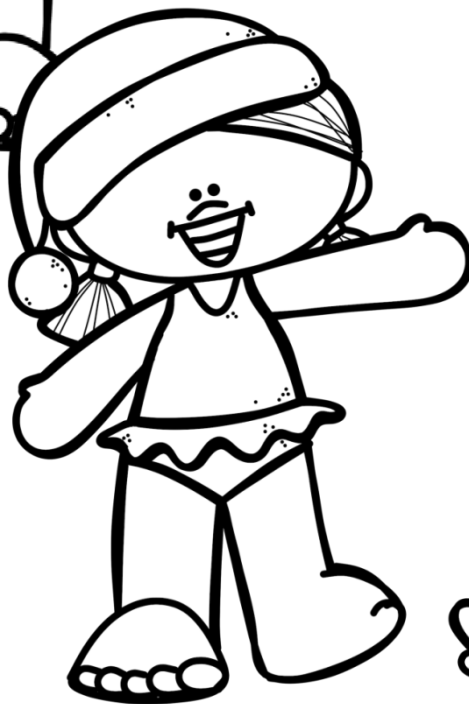
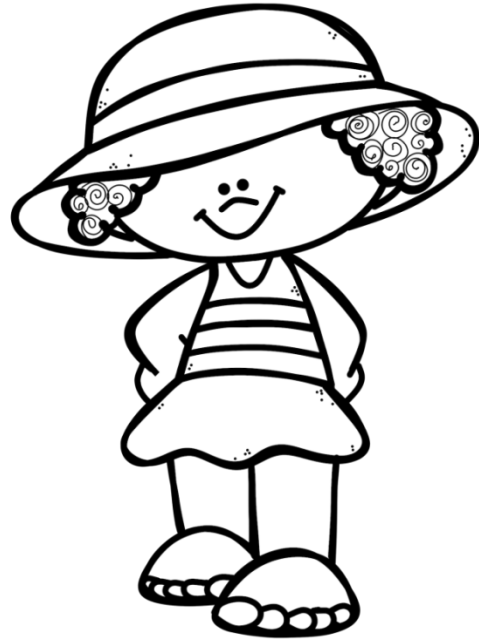
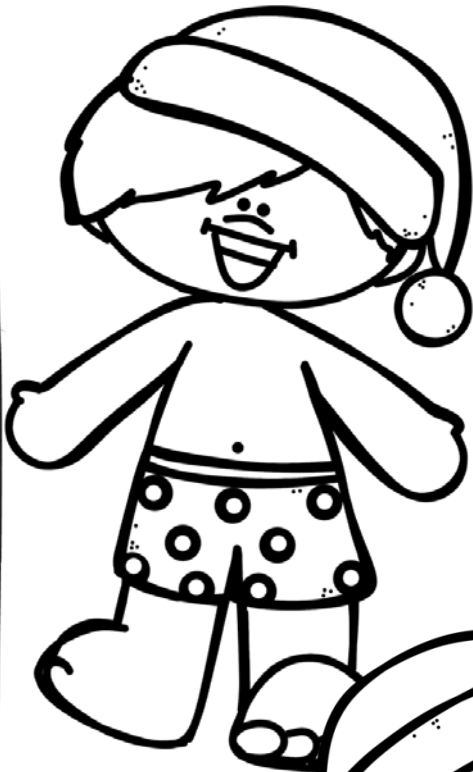
Because of the warm weather, families will often cook dinner on the grill for Christmas. Can you find what many Australians call the grill?



Find a picture of the Australian flag.  
Draw your own Australian flag  
below.



Many families will go to the beach or  
swim in a pool because it is so hot on  
Christmas day in Australia!





Different families have different foods for Christmas in Australia. Research to find some common choices.




The day after Christmas is also a holiday in Australia. It is called Boxing Day. What are two things families might do on Boxing Day?

