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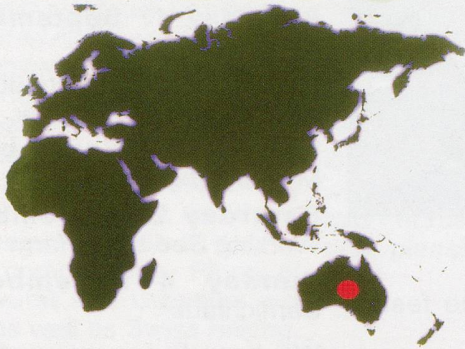
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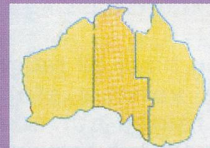
# Hello Children



A billabong is a pool or small lake in Australia. People also use the term to describe a backwater channel that flows out from another stream. Billabongs occur mainly in areas where a hot, dry season follows recurring floods. The overflow of the flood may escape into a billabong, where it eventually dries up. Or the river, at full flood, may flow straight across a neck of land formed by a curve in the river, leaving a curved billabong. The word billabong is a Australian Aboriginal word meaning 'dead river'.

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