



Advance Australia Fair



Explore Australia's National Anthem, Advance Australia Fair through song and beautiful illustrations of natural and built environments across Australia.

Advance Australia Fair was written by **Peter Dodds McCormick** in 1878, the lyrics have been bought to life through illustrations by the talented **Tony Flowers**.

We have paired this text with a NEW collection of recordings of Advance Australia Fair from the Australian Government as a powerful way for young people to explore our National Anthem and places of significance to them.

Curriculum Links: Literacy, HASS, Creative Arts

Age Range: Kindergarten – Year 6



ACTIVITY: OUR LANDS, OUR COMMUNITY

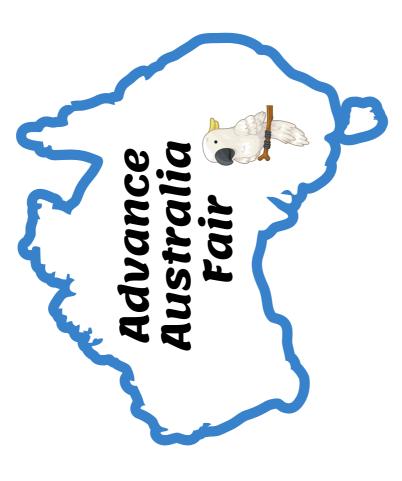
Australia is a beautiful country from our spectacular beaches, dense bushland, awe-inspiring outback plains to renowned landmark architecture.

This activity invites young people to consider their **connection to land** and **Australian places** which are special to them.

- Watch and listen to <u>this recording of the National Anthem</u>. Invite students to discuss the connection between the lyrics and images presented, and share any wonderings they may have.
- 2 Read Peter Dodds McCormick and Tony Flowers Advance Australia Fair with your class paying particular attention to the illustrations.
- Encourage students to describe places from around Australia which are important to them. It could be somewhere in the local community, where they grew up or family live, or perhaps somewhere they went on a holiday.
- Drawing on students memories and descriptions create your own class book version of Advance Australia Fair. This could be captured through drawings, digital technology or collecting photographs. Access a book template here.

What makes this place so special? How does this place make you feel?

What animals or plants might you find there?





Australians all let us rejoice, For we are one and free;



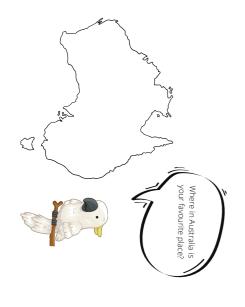


We've golden soil and wealth for toil; Our home is girt by sea;





Our lands abounds in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare;





In history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair.



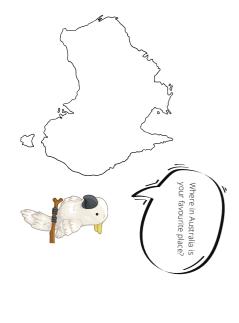


In joyful strainS then let us sing,





Advance Australia Fair.





Beneath our radiant Southern Cross





We'll toil with hearts and hands;





To make this Commonwealth of ours Renowned of all the lands;





For those who've come across the seas





We've boundless plains to share;





With courage let us all combine





To Advance Australia Fair.





In joyful strains then let us sing,



Where in Australia is your favourite place?



Advance Australia Fair.



