

Lesson 1: Logo, Name, Mascot and Motto

| Theme | Area of Learning | Key Concepts |
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| Information on the Arafura Games its history, name and mascot | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English – Writing, Listening and Speaking EsseNTial Learnings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arafura Games Participants Competition Sports Countries Logo Name Motto |

Nominal Duration: 2 x 40min lessons

NT Curriculum Outcomes:

English: W 1.1, L/S 1.3

EsseNTial Learnings: CR 3

Learning Experiences:

Teaching Point

Explain to students that this lesson is about the Arafura Games being held in Darwin in May 2009.

Brainstorm – What are the Arafura Games?

Students brainstorm what they know about the games to discover and share information known about the Arafura Games.

Teaching Point – General Information on the Arafura Games

- The Arafura Games are held every two years in Darwin.
- The games are not pitched at elite or professional athletes like the Olympics but are designed as a stepping stone for competitors.
- The countries of the region are invited to come together as friends and sporting neighbours to compete in a competitive sporting environment.
- 2009 Arafura Games will celebrate its 10th anniversary
- Games began in 1991 with 1500 participants from 7 countries competing in 13 sports
- In 2005 there were more than 3000 participants from 32 nations competing in 30 sports
- In 2009 there will be 27 sports and Paralympic events in 8 sports
- The 2009 games will be held from the 9th to the 17th May in Darwin.

Teaching Point – Logo and Name

Materials: a map of the Arafura Sea and a copy of the Arafura Games logo

The Arafura Games' logo, with its flag motifs, was developed to represent the coming together of competitors throughout the Asia Pacific region. The region centres on the Arafura Sea, the body of water joining Northern Australia and South East Asia.

The name of the Arafura Sea comes from the Portuguese *mare aurifera*, meaning sea of gold. The name dates back to 1623, when shipwrecked Portuguese were said to have seen gold-studded quartz on the coast of Arnhem Land (show students a map of the Arafura Sea).

Show students the Arafura Games logo. The four vibrant colours used in the Arafura Games' logo combine the cool turquoise of the Arafura Sea, the glowing sun which shines above, the strong ochres of the Northern Territory's earth and the welcoming blue of the skies.

Teaching Point – Mascot

Materials: pictures of Rocky the Mascot

The mascot for the Arafura Games is Rocky the rock wallaby, which was introduced at the very first Arafura Sports Festival in 1991.

Rocky is a member of the wallaby clan that lives across the Top End of the Northern Territory. Like their kangaroo cousins, wallabies are noted for their athletic ability and can cover ground at great speed.



Activity - Motto

What is a motto?

A motto is a phrase which describes the motivation of a group or organisation. Below are some examples of team mottos from the 2008 Australian Olympic Team:

- Success isn't final. Failure isn't fatal. It's courage that counts. **Alicia Coutts** (Swimming)
- Strong minds suffer without complaining; weak minds complain without suffering. **Melissa Wu** (Diving)
- Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard. **Glenn Warfe** (Badminton)
- It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get back up that counts. **Casey Eastham** (Hockey)
- What does not destroy us, only makes us stronger **Jane Saville** (Athletics)
- As you live, so you are. As you imagine, so you become. **Amy Hetzel** (Water Polo)
- The more you practice, the luckier you get. **Jade North** (Football)
- In order to succeed, you can not be afraid to fail. **Tanya Bailey** (Cycling)
- Whatever you can do or dream you can, do it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it. - Goethe **Jacqui Lawrence** (Canoe Kayak)
- Always believe in the power of your dreams and never ever give up. **Nat Cook**

Create a motto for the Arafura Games, which describes the objective of the games.

Assessment Task

On template colour in the Arafura Games logo, draw and name the Arafura Games mascot and write in your Arafura Games motto.

Related Links

<http://www.arafuragames.nt.gov.au/>



Organiser of the

Arafura Games
incorporating the Oceania Paralympic Championships
9-17 May 2009



Map of Arafura Sea



Arafura Games Logo



Assessment Task

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| Arafura Games Logo | Arafura Games Mascot |

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