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Australian Backyard Explorer By Peter Macinnis

Would you be able to find water or food, collect plants, make a shelter—and stay alive—if you were out in the bush?



This book is full of the adventures of the explorers of Australia. Thematically based, it tells stories about their many challenges, such as finding their way, mapping an area, trapping animals and coping with drought. Classroom favourites are all here—Cook, Oxley, Hume, Eyre, Leichhardt, Burke and Wills—and others less well known. Theirs are tales not only of tragedy, conflict and death, but also of loyalty, amazing perseverance and wonder over the new landscapes, animals and plants they encountered.

With 'a closer look' at selected topics, 'did you know' fact boxes, extracts from explorer's journals and practical projects, this book contains hundreds of paintings, photos and drawings from the National Library, making it a highly original resource for your classroom.

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- Have students select one of the following early explorers and type the names into the search box.

■ Alfred Canning	■ Burke and Wills*
■ Charles Sturt	■ Edward John Eyre & Wylie*
■ Edmund Kennedy	■ Ernest Giles
■ John Forrest	■ John McDouall Stuart
■ John Oxley	■ Ludwig Leichhardt
■ Peter Egerton-Warburton	■ Major Mitchell & Piper*
■ Lawson, Blaxland & Wentworth*	■ George Evans
■ Hume and Hovell*	■ Allan Cunningham

* Where more than one name is listed, students could consider searching on the individual names as well as the group.

- Students can use the following outline to help them organise the information they find on *MacquarieNet* (remind students that some explorers went on more than one expedition):
 - Name of explorer(s)
 - Who was in the party
 - Date of expedition(s) OR timeline of expedition(s)
 - Key reasons for expedition(s)
 - Aboriginal help
 - Key (positive and negative) features of expedition(s)
 - Achievements and/or outcomes
 - Other important information about the explorer(s).

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- Learning Trails
- MacQuest

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