

HOW TO BECOME A COUNTRY IN 4 STEPS

There are four main elements that define a country, also known as a **sovereign state**.

- Cut out all 6 pieces of the puzzle and glue them together on a separate page to discover which country this is! *(one of the pieces includes an island)*
- Can you identify the four correct elements? Cut them out and glue onto the assembled map.

GOVERNMENT

The person, body, or institution that has ultimate authority over the people to establish law.

SOVEREIGNTY

The internationally recognised right for an authority to have supreme power and effectively govern over a defined territory.

CITIZENS

The people living in a territory who can legally participate in the political community.

MANAGEMENT

This is who you contact if you want to make a complaint.

VISITORS

Tourists who come from outside the state's border to see the sites and attractions.

TERRITORY

An area of land set by boundaries (borders) where the state's rules and laws apply.



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Once you have completed the puzzle, match information from the clues below to fill in the correct element:

Element _____



A state's territory that has been taken by force is called an invasion. Australia is fortunate in being an independent territory as it is surrounded by water and does not share a border with another country.

Element _____



Element _____

A government body administrates the country by creating policies, plans and strategies involved in law-making.

Citizens choose who they want to govern them by participating in elections.



Element _____



No state has the right to interfere in, or influence, the affairs of another country.



There are four main roles of government. Draw a line to match these roles to the correct explanation:

To make rules and laws

The government must be able to uphold the law. It can do this by setting consequences that have been agreed to and understood by all citizens. The law is enforced by issuing penalties if any are broken by the citizens of the state.

To keep order within the state

A system of authority that everyone agrees to live by, including those who are in positions of power.

To provide services

The government's responsibility is to provide and maintain a national defence system to protect the sovereign state and its citizens.

Protection from interference and invasion from another country

The government provides the community with services, such as health (hospitals), education (schools), and transportation.

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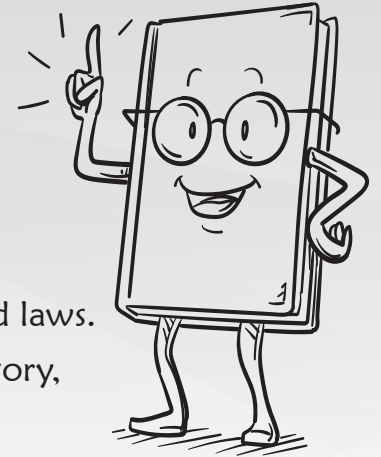
There are four main elements required to officially create a country and be recognised by the global community.

Territory – determined by a boundary, also known as a border.

Citizens – the people who live in the territory who have certain rights.

Government – the organisation that controls the actions and policies of the state, including making the rules and laws.

Sovereignty – the recognised international right of a state's authority to make decisions and laws within its territory, without influence or interference from another country.



*Once a country has been officially recognised, it is called a **sovereign state**, or **nation***

Complete this word grid by finding all the answers that match each clue provided on the next page.

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	CLUES	ANSWERS
1	A sovereign state can also known as a _____ .	
2	A sovereign state that is officially recognised by the global community and occupies a particular territory.	
3	The term used when a state is internationally recognised with an authority that has supreme power to govern over a defined territory.	
4	The name given to the people who live in a sovereign state and are legally permitted to participate in the political community.	
5	Another term used to define the boundary of a sovereign state's territory.	
6	An example of a sovereign country.	
7	The collective term for all people who live in a nation's society.	
8	The name given to the organisation that manages a sovereign state.	
9	The concept of law-making that underpins a system of government for managing a democratic society.	
10	The term universally known and used when another country challenges a sovereign state by overtaking it using force.	
11	Another term for a self-governing country.	
12	A name given to a geographical area that belongs to and is ruled by a government.	
13	What word best describes a territory that has a border surrounded by water?	



Interesting Facts

De jure sovereignty
International legal sovereignty, where a state is recognised by other states.

De facto sovereignty
Cooperation and respect of the populace, enforcement of the law to provide security, and the ability to carry out various functions of the state



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ANSWERS

ELEMENTS:

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1. NATION
2. COUNTRY
3. SOVEREIGNTY
4. CITIZENS
5. BORDER
6. AUSTRALIA
7. POPULATION
8. GOVERNMENT
9. RULE OF LAW
10. INVASION
11. STATE
12. TERRITORY
13. INDEPENDENT

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