

CIVICS

Student Activity Pack

Here is a top opportunity to get your students working independently during these difficult times of lockdowns and learning from home.

Everything your students need to know about civic virtue is in this collection of fun to do activities. Rule of Law Education resources support your students in learning about the democratic values and beliefs that come with the responsibility of Australian citizenship.

These resources will help students develop a sound understanding of how to become an effective Australian citizen.



See Think Wonder

Have a close look at these images.



Write down as many details you can see in these three images.



What do you think is happening in each image? What do you think they may be about?



Explain how these images are linked.

Australian Citizenship



Select the correct words from the word bank below to fill in the blanks!

[Learn about being an Australian citizen](#)

RESPONSIBILITIES

As an Australian citizen you must:

- ✓ Obey the _____.
- ✓ Vote in federal and state, or territory _____, and in a referendum.
- ✓ Defend Australia if the need arises.
- ✓ Serve on a _____ if called to do so.

PRIVILEGES

As an Australian citizen you can:

- _____ in federal, state and territory elections, and in a referendum.
- Have access to benefits provided by the _____ government.
- Apply for a _____ in the Australian Public Service or in the Australian _____ Force.
- Seek election to _____.
- Stay in Australia permanently and be granted _____ from deportation.
- Apply for an Australian _____ to leave and re-enter Australia freely.



PARLIAMENT
AUSTRALIAN
DEFENCE

VOTE
PROTECTION
LAWS

PASSPORT
ELECTIONS

JOB
JURY





Name It and Explain It!

CITIZENSHIP

Why do we need it?

What is **civic culture**?

How does it contribute to maintaining a healthy society?

What is it?

What special **responsibilities** do Australian citizens have?

What special **rights** do Australian citizens have?

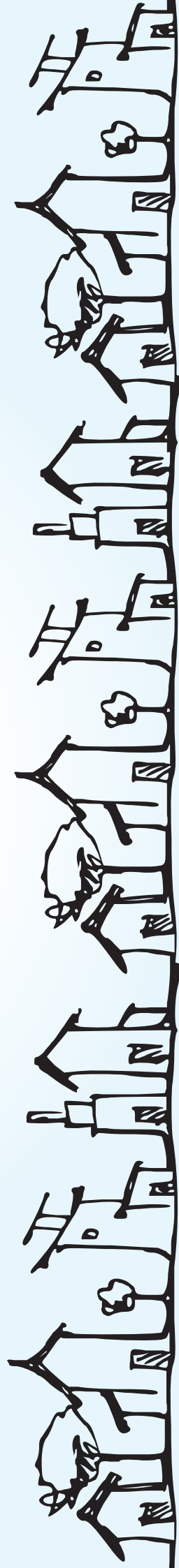
What is the difference between a **right** and a **responsibility**?

What would happen if we didn't have it?

What would an unhealthy society look like?

How would we know when things are not the way they should be?

How could we fix it?



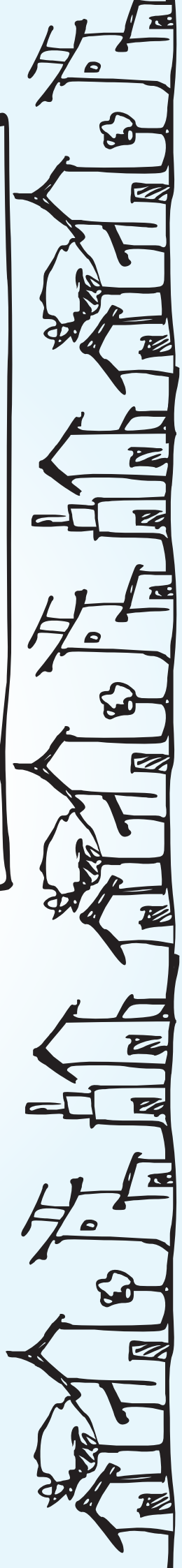


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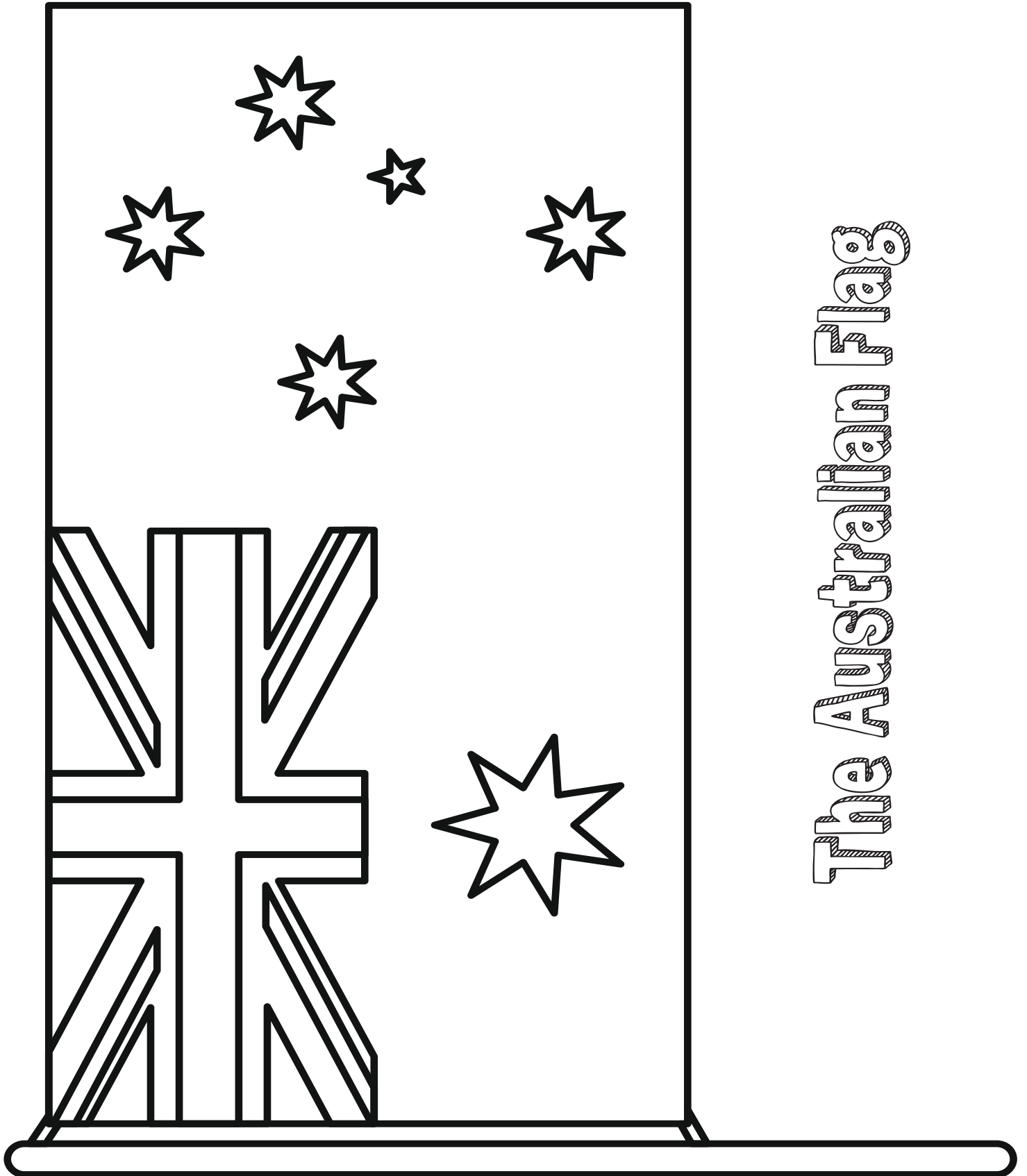
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Colour the Australian flag

The map of Australia on the front page will give you some clues on how to colour this design.



The Australian Flag

Civics.... Citizens and Citizenship

What's the difference?

Understanding the difference between civics, citizens and citizenship helps everyone work together to uphold the important values and beliefs which support Australia's democratic society.



CIVICS Understanding the processes of how rules and laws are made and upheld in society, to benefit all citizens.

CITIZENS The people who are part of a community or society.

CITIZENSHIP Active participation in civic matters which show the attitudes, values, and beliefs citizens hold within a society. Citizenship reflects how people are willing to live under the rules and laws that have been created to maintain a safe and respectful society.



In a democratic society, citizens can investigate issues and ask questions so they can make informed decisions about their lives. An informed citizen then shares their opinions and listens to alternative viewpoints. Accepting different perspectives helps citizens gain a better understanding about what is happening in their community, and why.

Here are some things you can do to be a great citizen:

1. Be honest and trustworthy
2. Follow rules and laws
3. Respect the rights and property of others
4. Take responsibility for your actions
5. Stay informed about the world around you
6. Protect the environment

RESPECT
INFORMED
RESPONSIBILITY
HONESTY

What are some of the great ways Australian citizens can support their community?

Write an explanation of how each of these awesome citizens are helping out in their community. You might like to include information on how you contribute to yours!







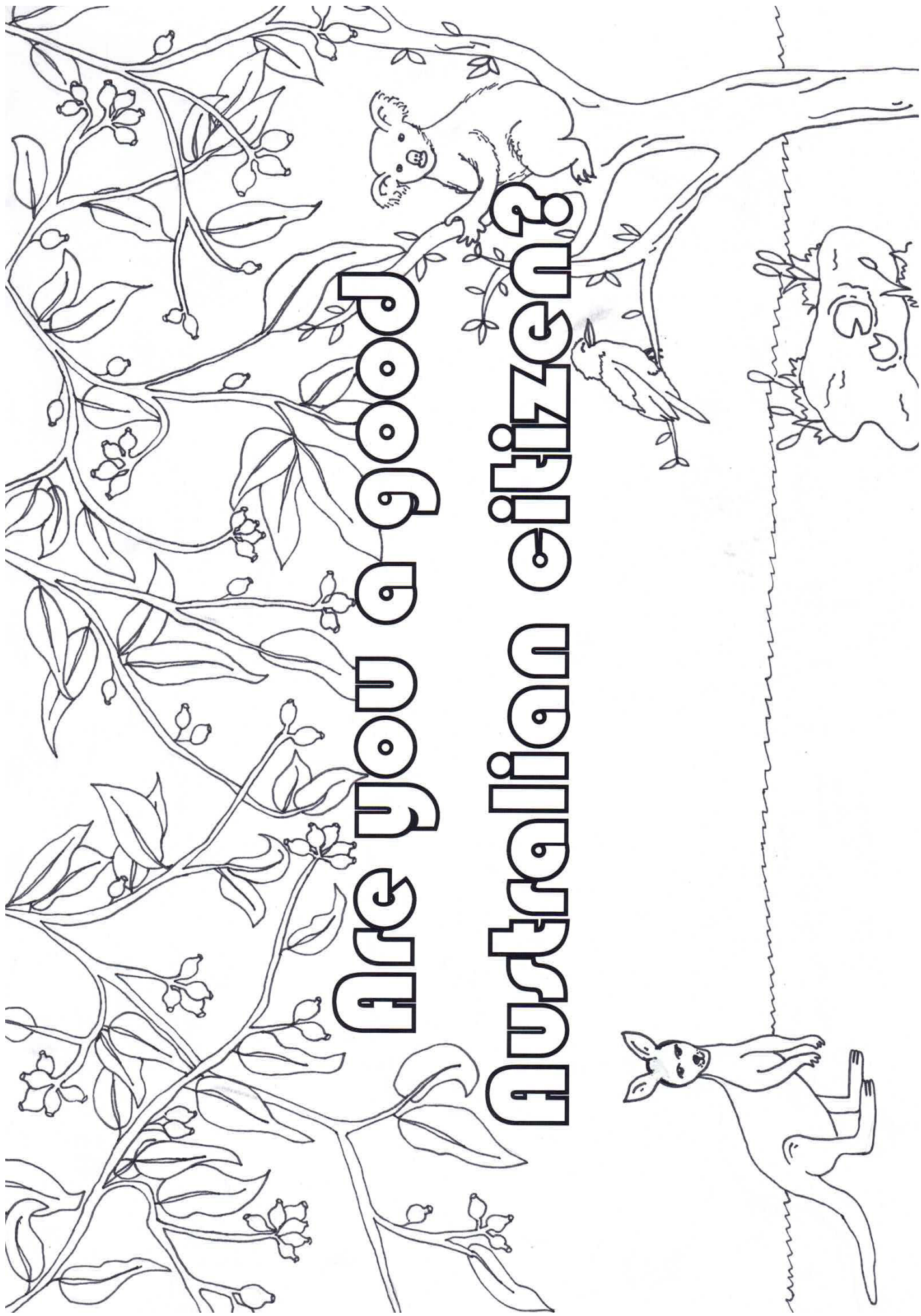
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HONESTY
DEMOCRACY
PARTICIPATE
CIVIC VIRTUE
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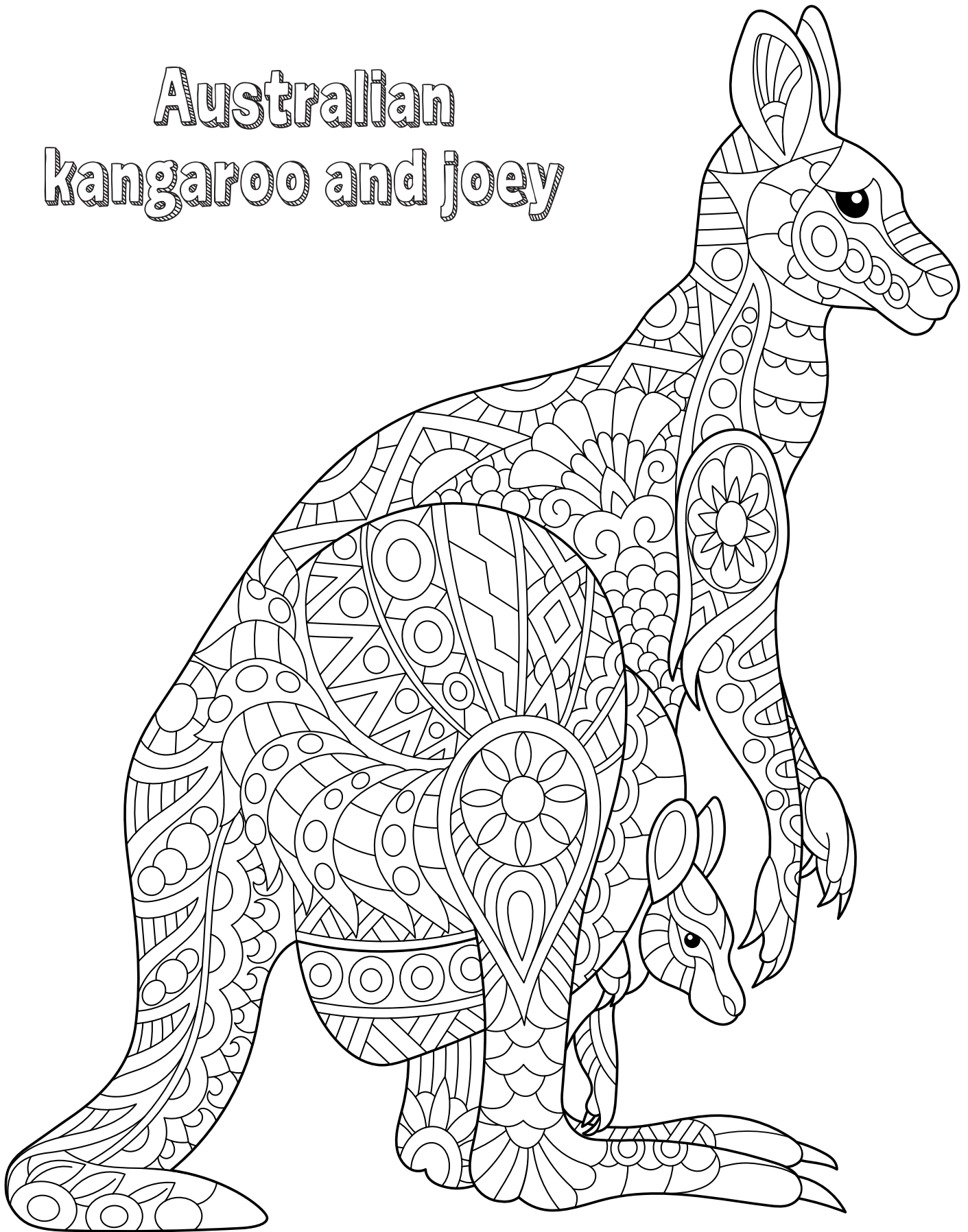
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Are you a good Australian citizen?

Australian kangaroo and joey



Kahoot!

How to be an effective Australian Citizen

Play Kahoot with your classmates, friends, or family to test your knowledge and understanding of Australian citizenship.



Click on this link to find out how all citizens have an important role in maintaining Australia's democratic society.

For more information and additional resources, follow this link to the Rule of Law Education website. Don't forget to sign up to our mailing list and never miss new releases of resources:



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