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WORLD TOUR

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

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# LOCATION: Melbourne

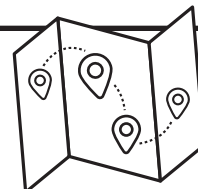


## WHO LIVES HERE?



More than 5 million people, known as Melbournians.

## WHERE IS IT?



Melbourne is the capital of the state of Victoria, in southeast Australia.

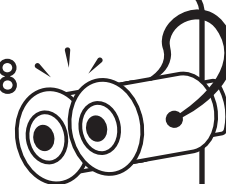
## DID YOU KNOW?



Melbourne is known for a number of things in Australia. It's been called the capital of:

- 1 Sports
- 2 Culture
- 3 Coffee
- 4 Foxes
- 5 Street art

## PLACES TO SEE:



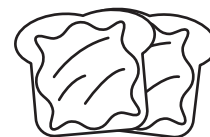
### National Gallery of Victoria

- National Gallery of Victoria is the oldest art museum in Melbourne.
- It was founded in 1861.
- You can see more than 70,000 works of art within its two buildings.
- The Great Hall in the museum boasts the world's largest stained glass ceiling, and visitors can enjoy it by lying on the floor!

### Eureka Tower

- The third tallest building in Australia.
- The 88th floor features the highest observation deck in the world's Southern hemisphere.
- Includes a glass cube called "The Edge," that extends from the building allowing super brave visitors to look straight down to the ground!
- Gold-plated windows cover the building's top 10 floors, making sure it truly gleams in the sun.

## FUN FACTS:



- Melbourne was originally called Batmania! Not for the superhero, but for John Batman who founded the city in 1835.
- Melbourne is known as the coffee capital of Australia, because it has so many cafes.
- A colony of wild penguins lives in Melbourne—the St. Kilda Pier offers an up close view of the little birds, especially just after sunset.
- Melbournians love to eat Vegemite, a salty spread made from brewer's yeast.

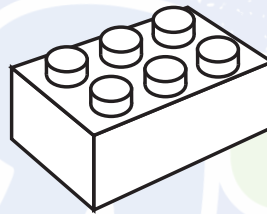


# Toys 'n' Us Kid PROFILE

## Sophia

Age: 12 From: Melbourne

Favorite activities: tennis, puzzles, dolls



Favorite subject: English Siblings: my brother James!

When I grow up, I want to be: an author!

### More fun facts:

I love taking walks by the Yarra River and trying new restaurants!

My brother and I both love Harry Potter and playing Lego together!

Tell us about you!

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# Melbourne Fill in the Blank



Show us what you've learned!

\_\_\_\_\_ is the capital of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Victoria, which can be found in south \_\_\_\_\_ Australia.

Melbourne has been called the capital of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

More than 5 \_\_\_\_\_ people live there, and they are often called Melbournians.

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The world's largest stained glass \_\_\_\_\_ can be found in the Great Hall of the museum.

Melbournians love to eat a salty spread made from brewer's yeast, called \_\_\_\_\_. John \_\_\_\_\_ founded Melbourne in 1835, which is why the city was originally called \_\_\_\_\_!

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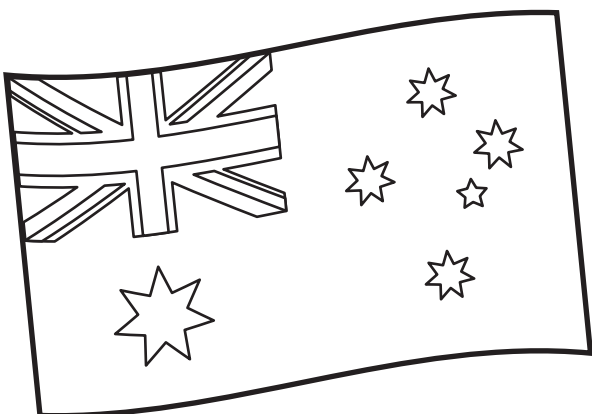
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Many \_\_\_\_\_ can be found on the St. Kilda Pier, right after sunset.

Thanks for visiting Melbourne with \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ and his friend Sophia!

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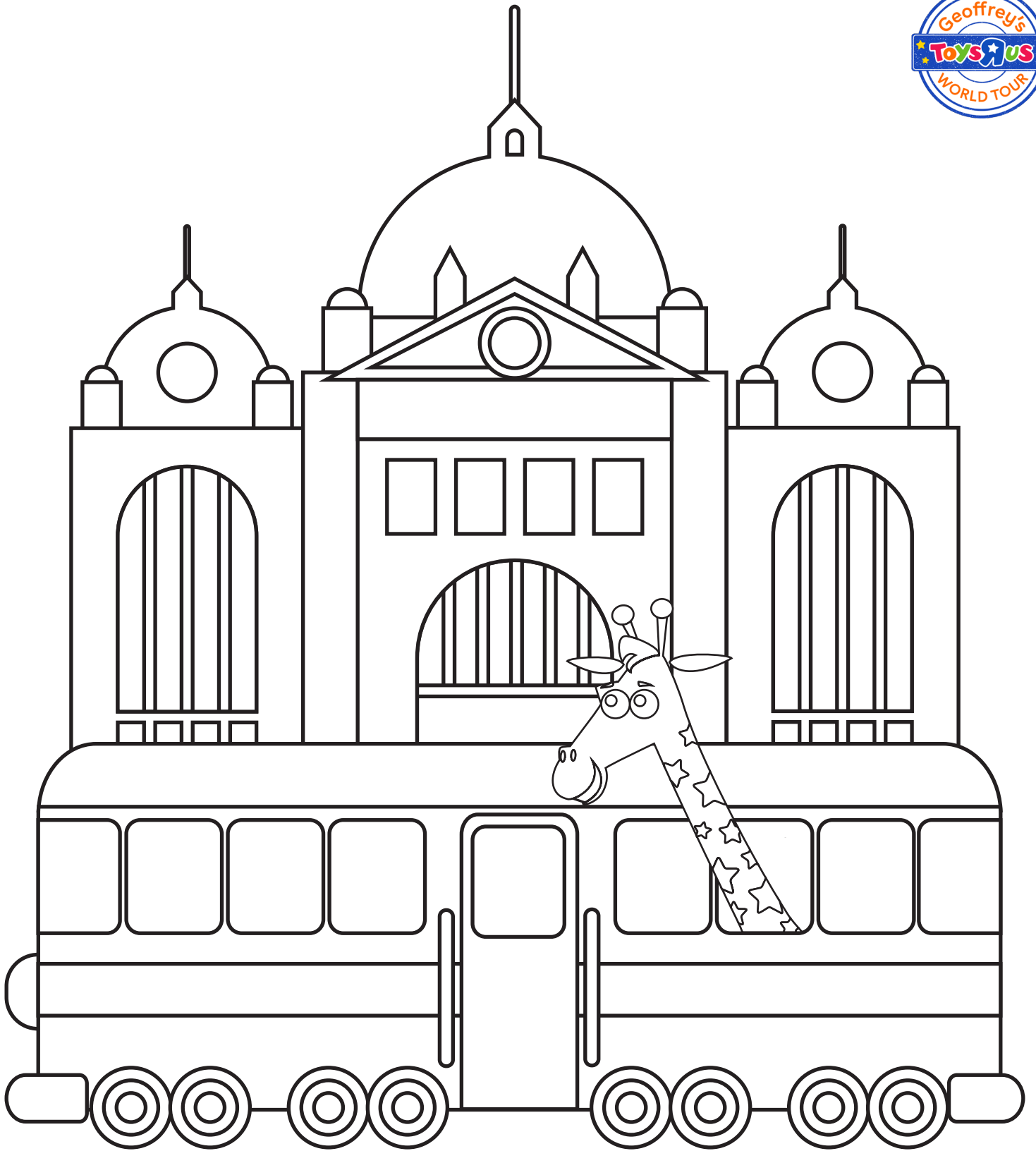
Melbourne



## FLAG FACT:

The biggest star on the Australian flag has 7 points, 1 for each of the 6 states, and 1 for all of the territories. The smaller stars represent the Southern Cross constellation, which can be seen here in the night sky all year round.

Use red, white, and blue to color in the flag!



# Melbourne

Color in Geoffrey taking the tram through Melbourne!



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## ANSWER KEY

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