Sydney: a story of change

Student activities

Task no. 1

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Use photos to ask historical questions

1. Look carefully at the images of Sydney.
2. Identify the main geographical and cultural features of the landscape in each image, (e.g. bush, houses, huts, wharves, trees, rocks, cove, buildings, bridge)
3. Use attached activity sheet to write about what Sydney was like then, describing its main features.
4. What is different? What is similar?

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‘Sirius, Supply & Convoy : Needle Point ENE 3 miles. Hyaena in Company. 13 May 1787’, 1802+

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[Benelong Point from Dawes Point], ca. 1804?, ca. 1804?

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North view of Sidney, New South Wales, 1825

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[View from the window, 1842 / oil painting by Conrad Martens], 1842


Circular Quay, Sydney, 1892-1893

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Illuminated address presented to George Judah Cohen, Esq. on his departure from Sydney on a visit to Europe. Royal Exchange, Sydney, Feb. 19th 1903, 19th February, 1903
Panoramas of Sydney, 1920

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Aerial of Sydney Harbour Bridge and surrounds
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How has Sydney changed since 1788?

Write sentences that describe the differences you identified in the sources.


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