AUSTRALIA
STUDY GUIDE
1) Give an example of investing in human capital.
• education
• health care &
• skills training of workers
2) Give an example in investing in physical capital.

- factories and/or buildings,
- machines to help employees build products more quickly,
- and technologies that are needed to run a business
3) Why do people have to exchange currency?

to be able to trade with other countries
4) A ____________ economy is a blend of command and market.

Mixed Economy
5) Describe a command economy.

An economy in which the government decides what and how goods and services will be produced, distributed, and consumed.
6) In which form of government do people make the decisions?
7) A ______ government has multiple levels. It’s split between local and national.

federal
8) Give an example of a natural resource.

- trees
- oil
- coal
- fresh water
- minerals
9) How do entrepreneurs help a country?

Business success helps a country’s GDP and its economy.
10) What did Captain James Cook name Australia?

New South Wales
11) For what country did Captain Cook claim Australia?

Great Britain
12) From what country did the prisoners who settled Australia come?

Great Britain
13) Why did thousands of people immigrate to Australia in the 19th century?
14) What was the greatest threat to the Aborigines from the British?

diseases Europeans brought with them
15) What happened to the Aborigines once the British began to colonize Australia?

thousands died because of smallpox and other diseases
16) What weapon did the Aborigines invent? boomerang
17) From what continent did the Aborigines originally come?

Asia
18) Australia lies between the ___Ocean and the ____Ocean.

Indian and Pacific
19) Why do most people live in Australia's coastal areas?

These areas have a temperate climate.
20) “Semi-arid” and “dry” describe what kind of region?
21) The outback of Australia is the continent’s dry interior region.
22) What is the official language of Australia?
23) Which religion do most people in Australia follow today?

Christian

[mostly Roman Catholic and Anglican (Church of England)]
24) Today Australia has a _____ economy. During the time of the Aborigines, they had a _____ economy.

- mixed market
- traditional
25) The Great Barrier Reef is located in the Coral Sea.
26) If you wanted to travel from Ayers Rock to the Great Barrier Reef, in which direction would you go?

northeast
27) Who represents Queen Elizabeth II in Australia?

[Above: Quentin Bryce, Australia’s first woman governor general]
28) Who is given the most power in Australia's government - the Queen or prime minister?

prime minister
29) Which branch of government makes the laws?

**legislative branch (parliament)**
30) Which official is voted into office - the Queen or prime minister?
31) Where do most people live in Australia?

southeastern coast
32) Why do most people live in southeast Australia?

The climate in this region is not too hot or too cold.
33) Describe the literacy rate and standard of living in Australia.

Both are high.
34) Why would a tourist travel to Australia during the months of December through March?

It's summer there.
35) Label the following places on the map:

*Coral Sea* *Great Barrier Reef* *Ayers Rock* *Great Victoria Desert*
36) What is Australia’s most famous landmark?
37) What is the name of Australia’s indigenous people?

Aborigines
38) Which country is Australia’s largest trading partner?

- China
39) When did Australia establish mandatory voting?

• 1924
40) What restricts the amount of a product that can be imported?

• Quota
41) What group fought against British colonist in Australia?

Aborigines
42) What was Britain’s most important use for Australia?

• A Penal Colony