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What's in a Name? Australia's Geographical Names e-learning package

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Summary***

What's in a Name? Australia's Geographical Names e-learning package is an innovation of the Committee for Geographical Names of Australasia (CGNA) designed to foster the sharing of information about, and promote the significance of, geographical place names in our daily lives.

The present paper discusses the various components of the e-learning package, designed with busy teachers in mind. The package provides ready-to-use lessons, worksheets, classroom activities and resources and consists of:

- An entertaining video and associated teaching notes
- Colour-coded lesson plans and worksheets covering four major curriculum areas
- Students section: lessons that students can undertake individually
- Articles and resources and a discussion of who and what the Committee for Geographical Names of Australasia is
- A links page of Australasian websites related to geography, maps and place names

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