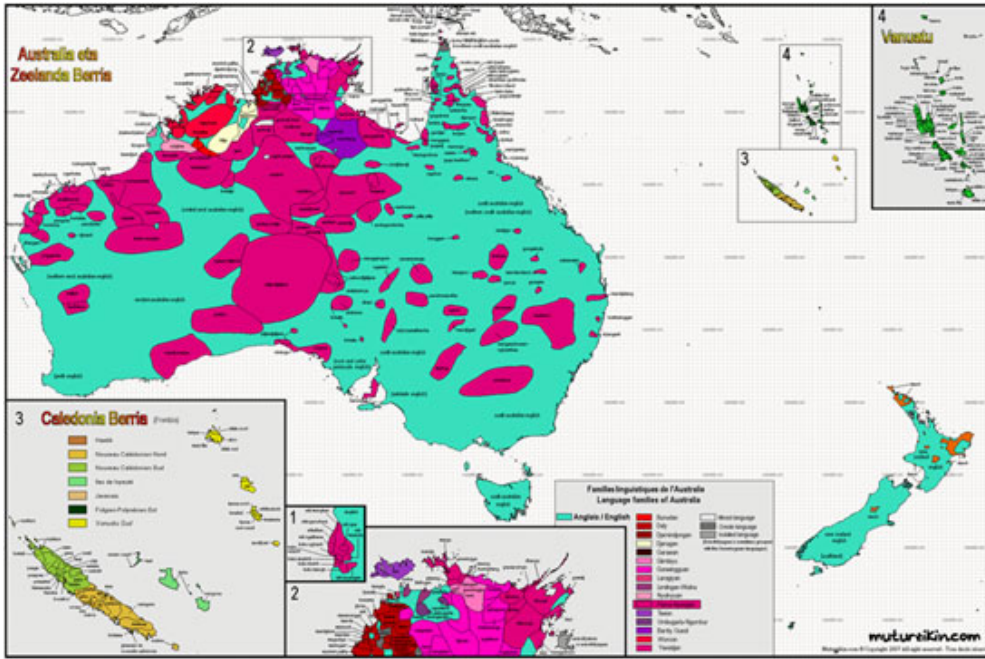


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- Perhaps the oldest living languages on earth (Australian aboriginals have been living where they are for maybe 40,000 years)
- In the 18th Century still 500 languages (est.), nowadays 250 survive.
- Divided in 28 different subfamilies, 27 of which spoken in the northern 1/8 of the country.



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