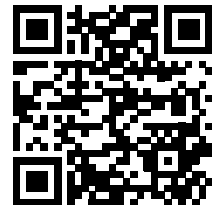


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Australia's Colonial Beginnings



In 1787, the _____ government decided to establish a penal colony in Australia. This decision led to the creation of the First Fleet, a _____ of eleven ships tasked with transporting convicts, soldiers, and supplies. Under the command of _____ Arthur Phillip, the fleet set sail from Portsmouth, England, on May 13, 1787. The journey was long and _____, covering more than 15,000 miles across unfamiliar and often treacherous seas. Despite the _____, the fleet arrived at Botany Bay between January 18 and 20, 1788. However, _____ quickly realized that Botany Bay was unsuitable for settlement. He explored further north and found Port _____, a location with a deep natural harbor and fresh water. On _____ 26, Phillip officially established the first European settlement in Australia, which would later become _____ . This day is now celebrated as Australia Day. The First Fleet brought over 1,000 people, including about 736 _____, to Australia. Their arrival marked the beginning of permanent European _____ and significantly impacted the continent's Indigenous _____. The First Fleet's journey and establishment of a colony are pivotal moments in Australia's _____, laying the foundation for the country's development and its complex legacy of _____.

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