

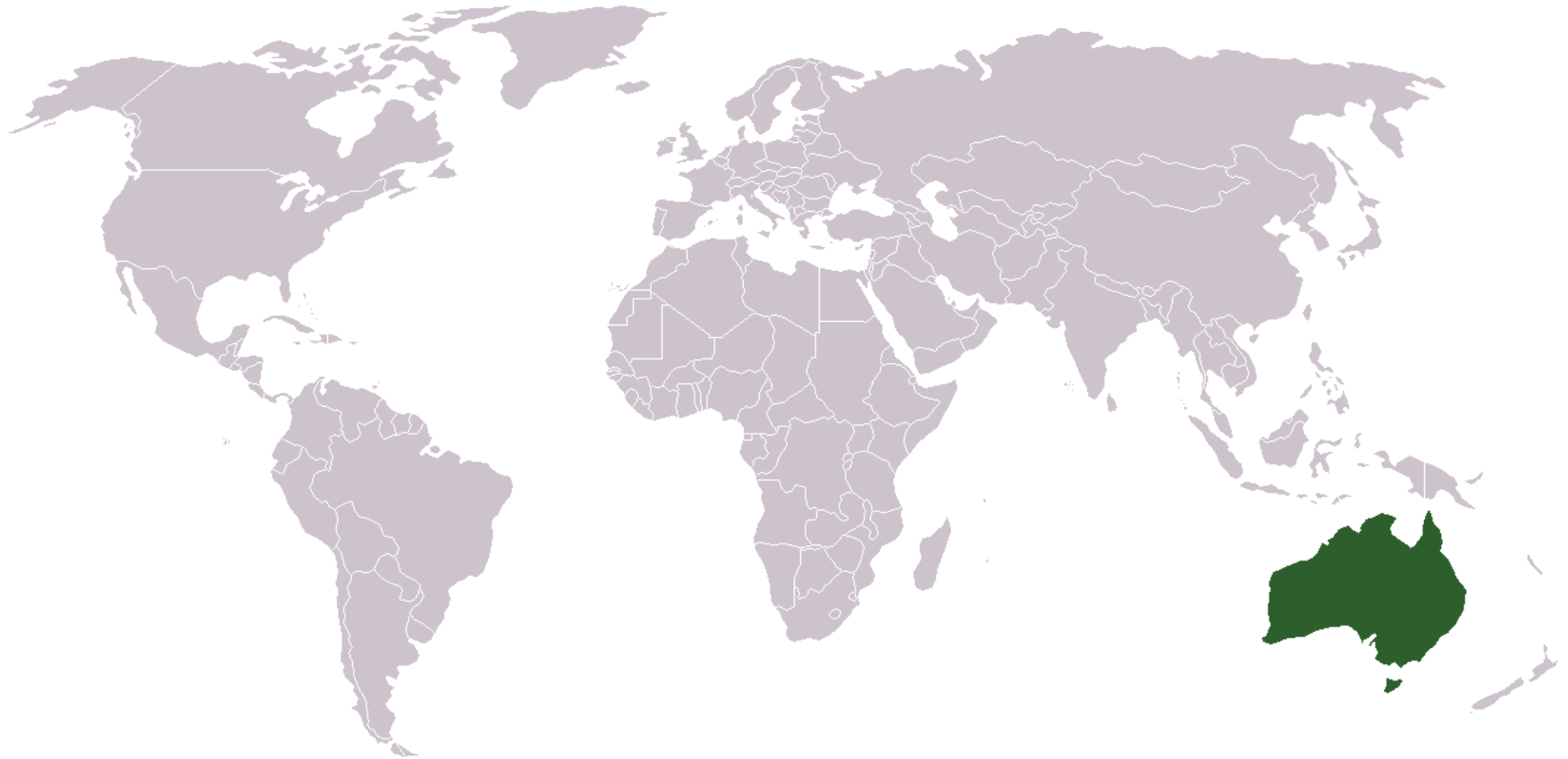
**What do you already know about the geography of Australia?**

**What would you most want to do or see if you visited Australia?**

**Watch the video clip below and identify a reason(s) you would want to visit Australia.**

<http://www.travelchannel.com/destinations/australia/video>

Essential Question:  
Where are the physical  
features of Australia located?



A satellite-style map of Australia, showing the continent's brown and tan terrain, green coastal areas, and surrounding blue oceans. The word "Australia" is written in large white letters across the center of the continent.

# Australia

## **Standard:**

SS6G12a. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map: the Great Barrier Reef, Coral Sea, Ayers Rock, and Great Victoria Desert.



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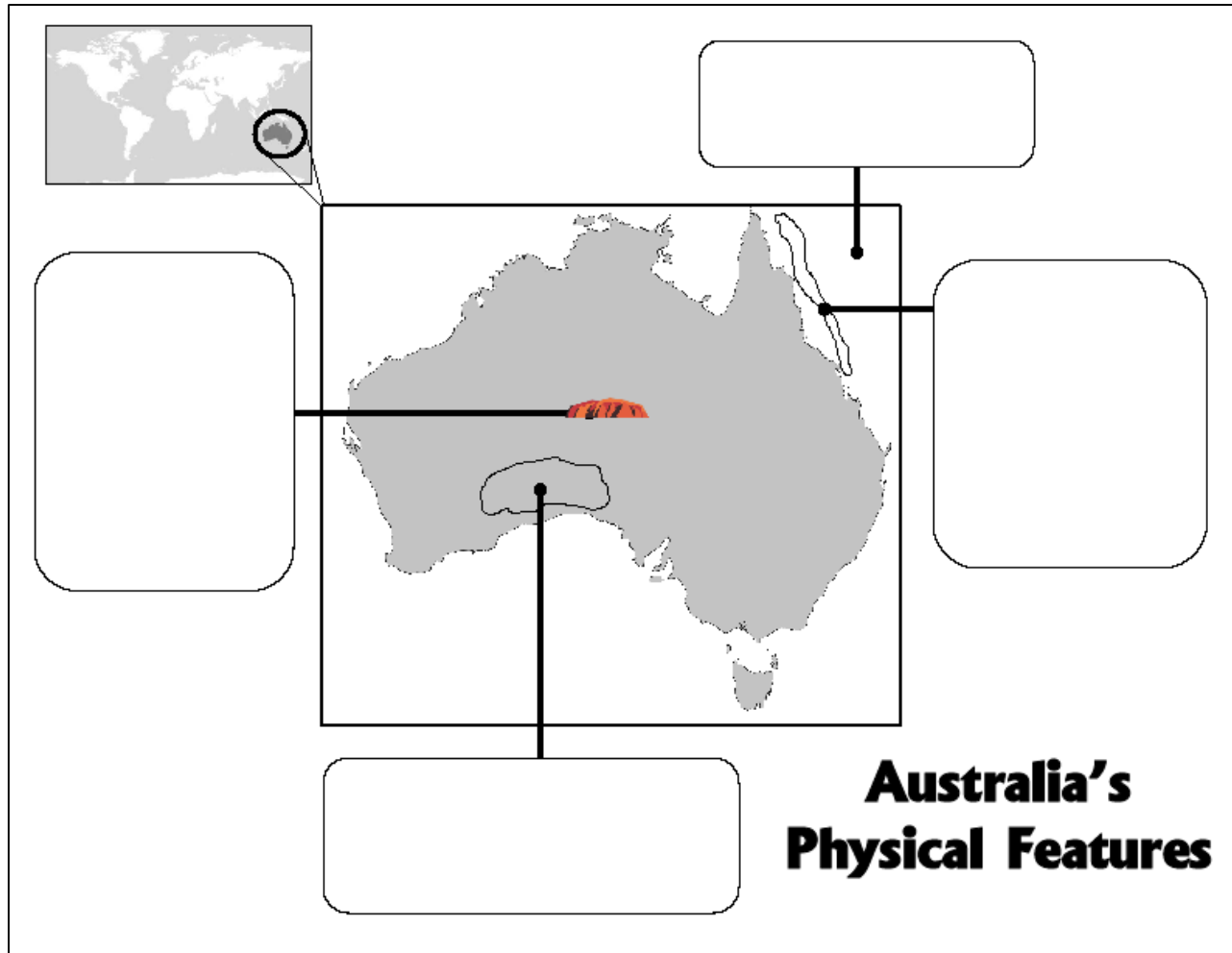


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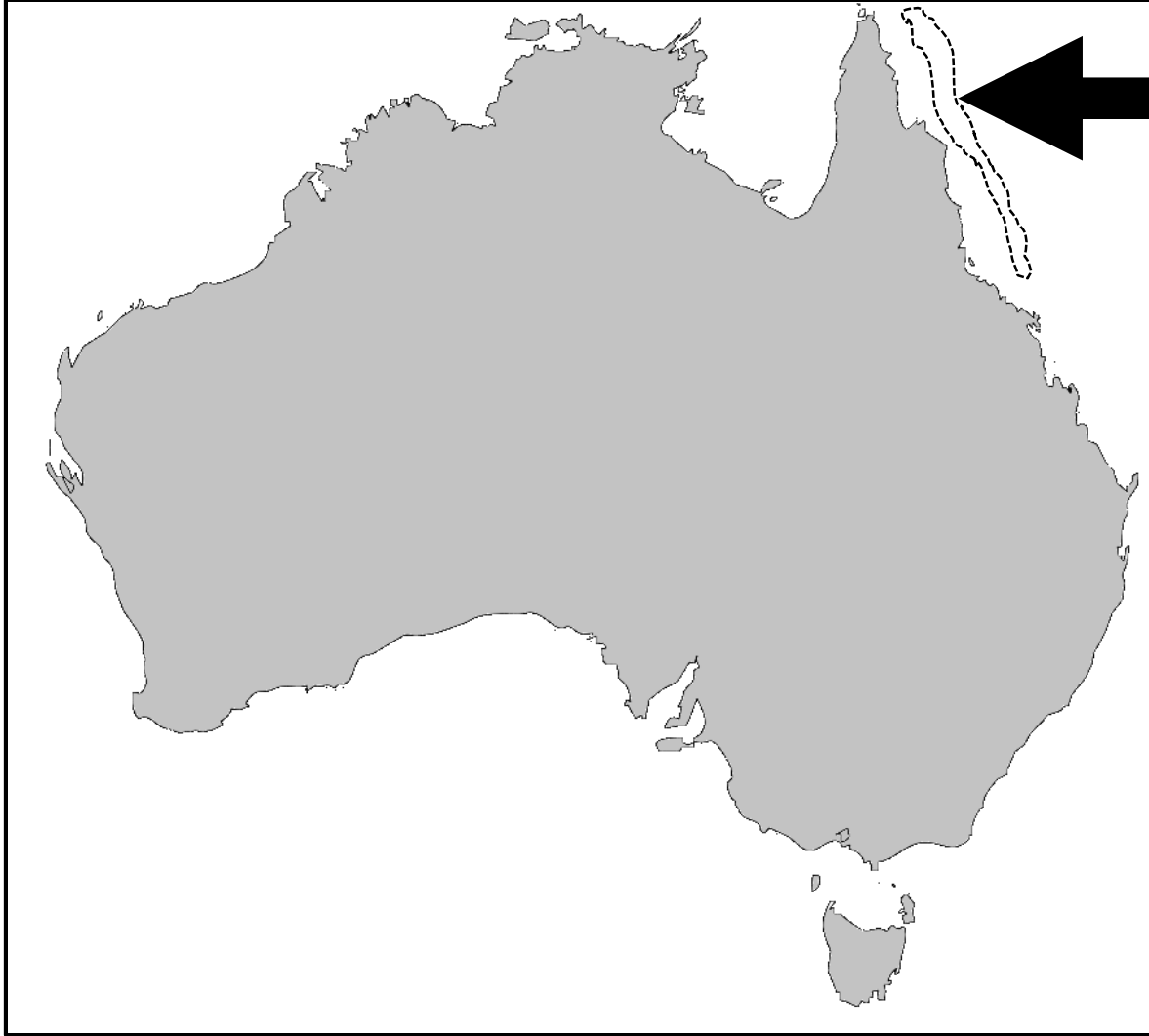


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# Use the Australia Physical Features Map



# Great Barrier Reef



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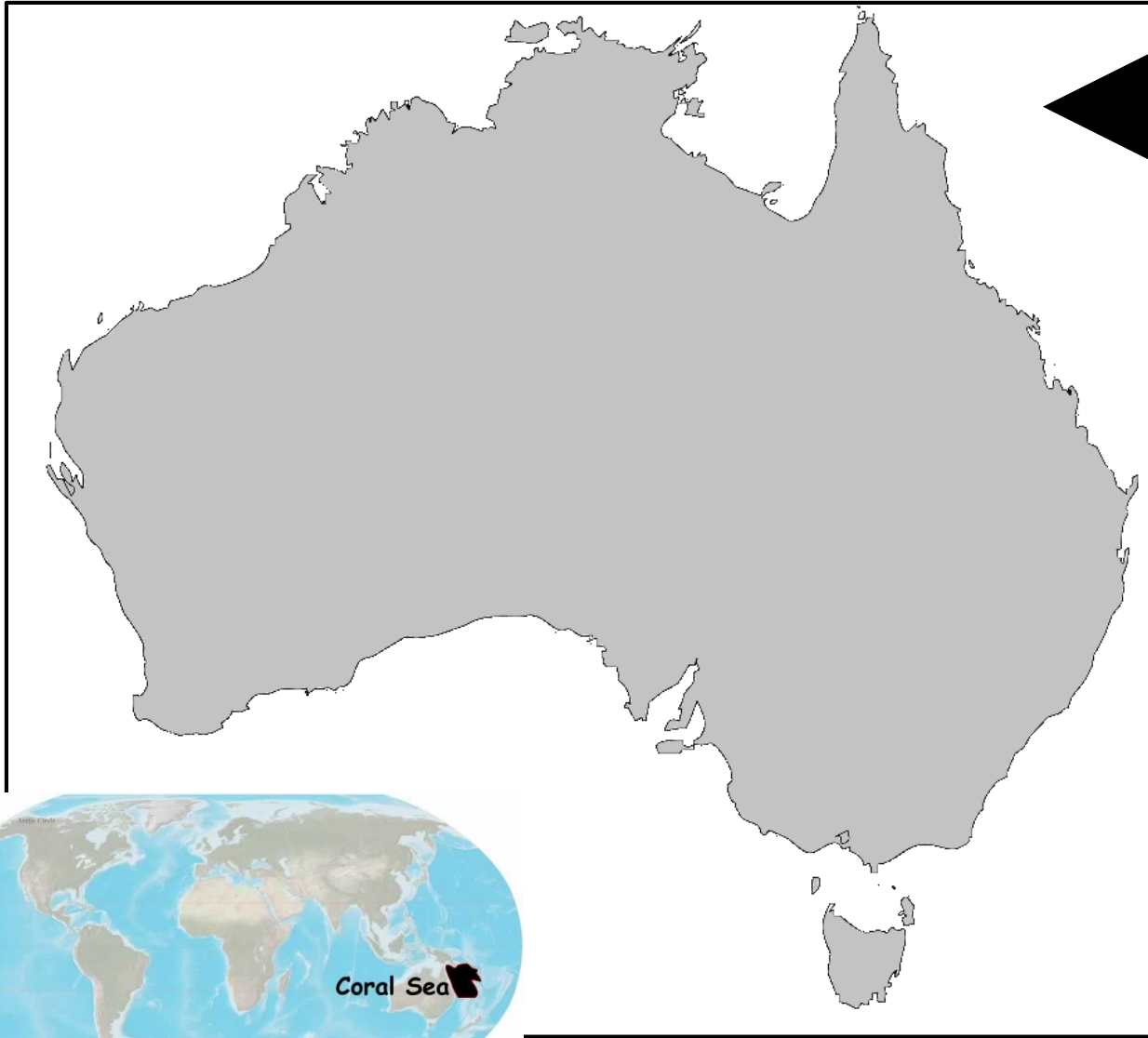


## Great Barrier Reef:

The largest coral reef system in the world that extends more than 1,200 miles along Australia's northeast coast. The water never falls below 68°F and has abundant sea life.

[National Geographic: Great Barrier Reef \[4:14\]](#)

# Coral Sea



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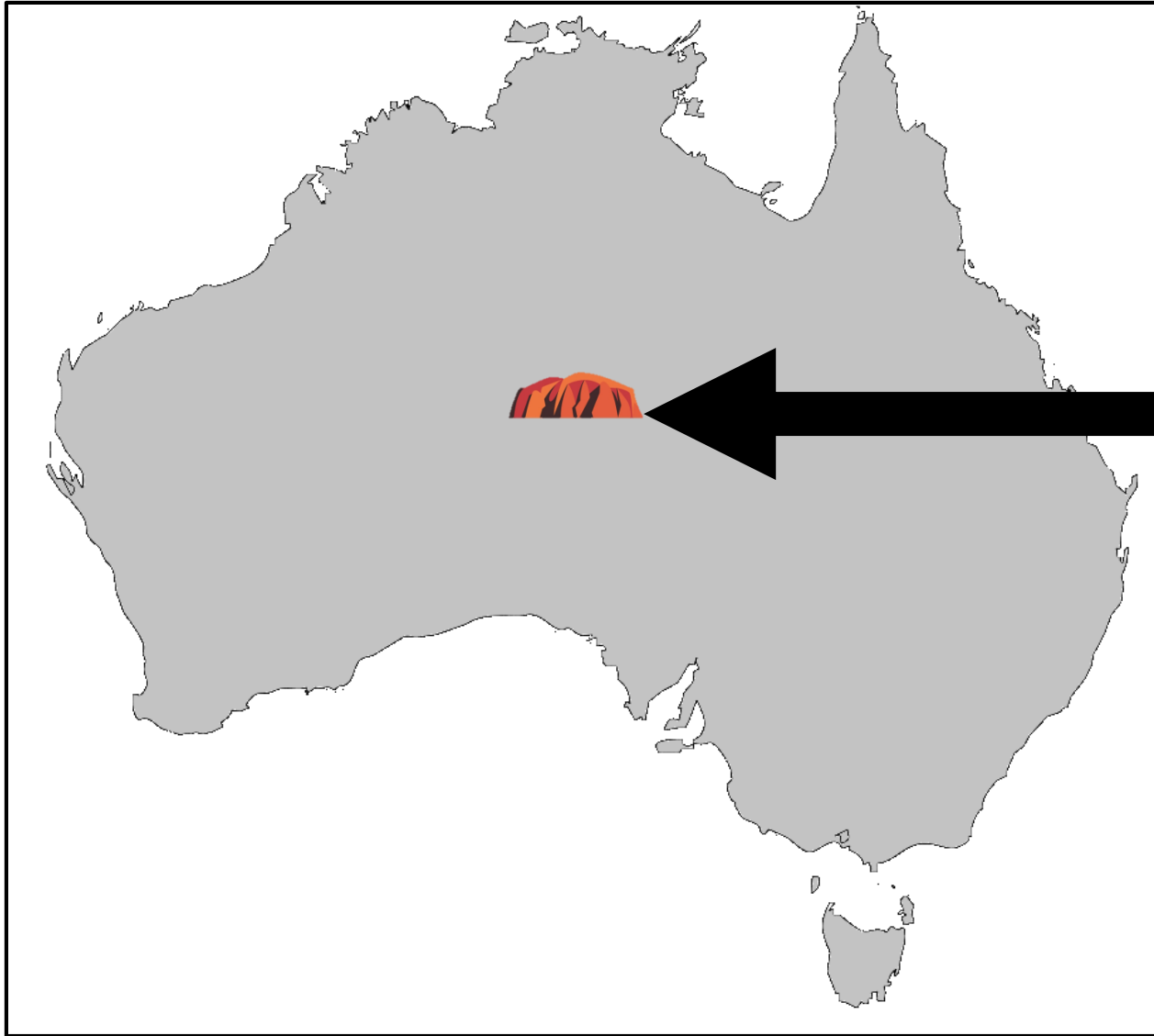




## **Coral Sea:**

Located off the northeastern coast of Australia

# Ayers Rock



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# Ayers Rock (Mount Uluru):

Australia's most famous natural landmark is a red sandstone rock formation in central Australia. It is a sacred site of the Aborigines.

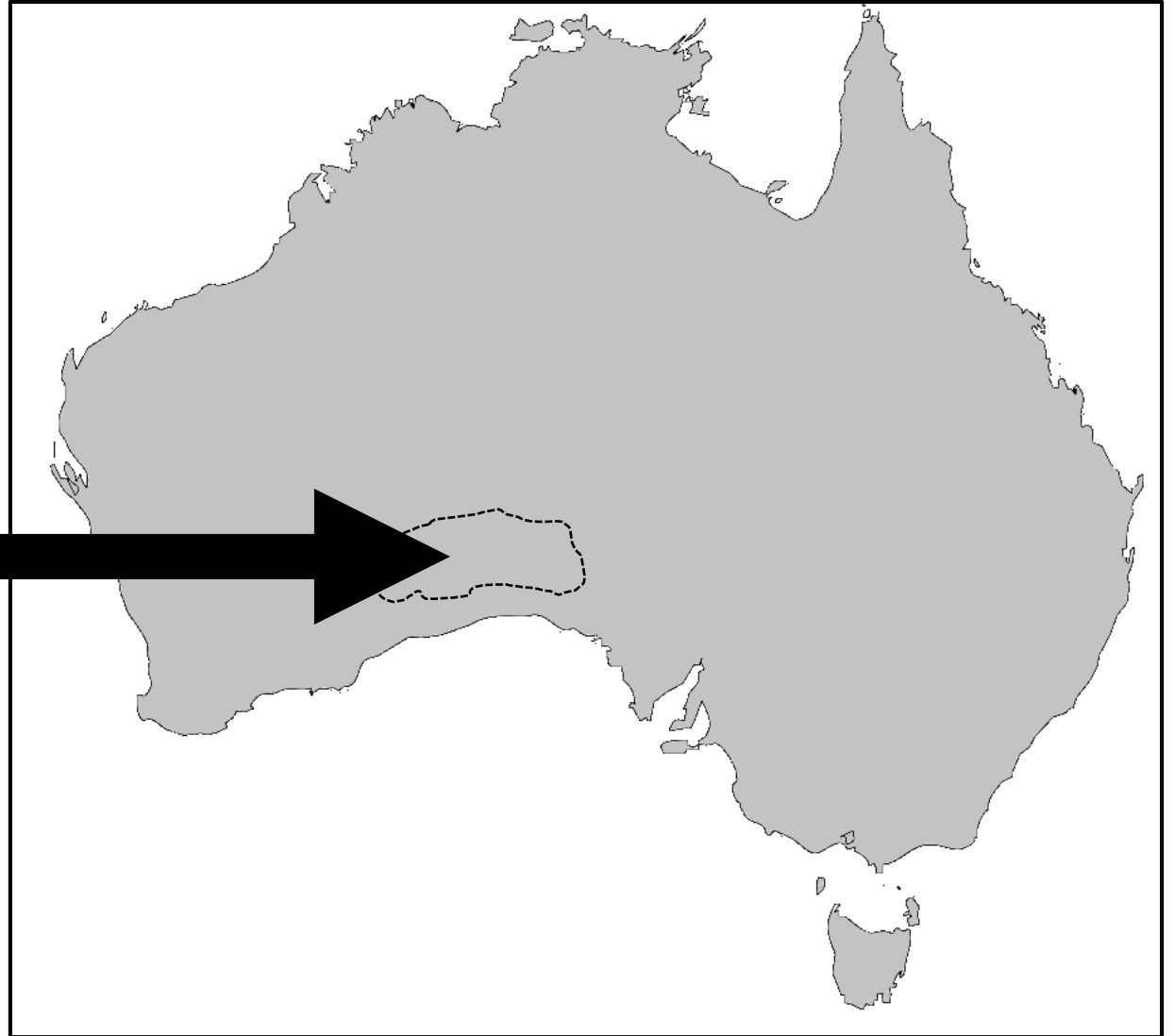
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# Great Victoria Desert

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# Great Victoria Desert:

The largest desert in Australia named for England's Queen Victoria. It is a barren (bare) area of hills, salt lakes, and grasslands in southern and western Australia.

