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EXPLORE AUSTRALIA



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CHAPTER 1

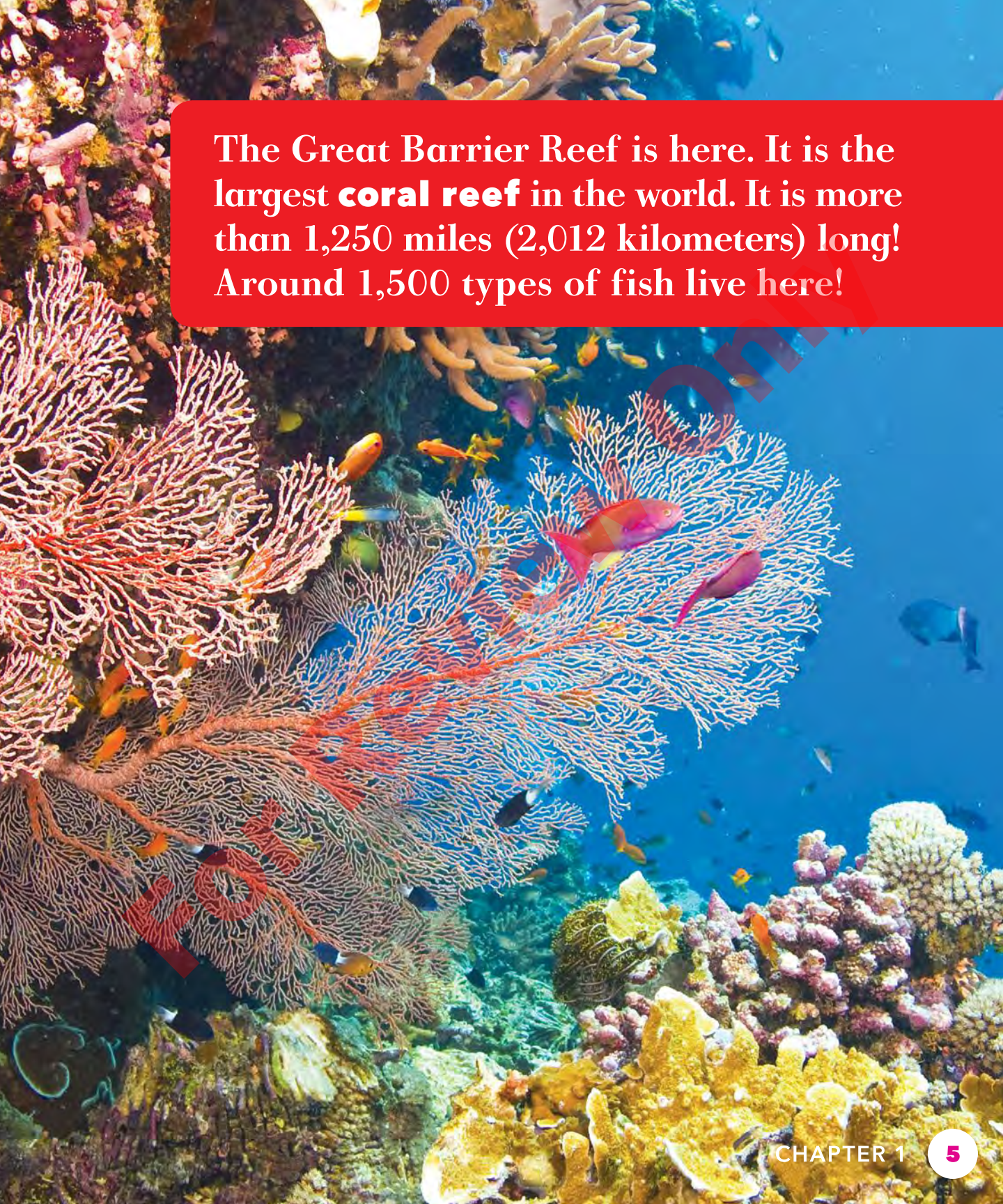
AUSTRALIAN LANDSCAPE

Let's explore the **continent** of Australia! This is Lake Saint Clair. It is Australia's deepest lake. It some areas, it is 700 feet (213 meters) deep!



Lake Saint Clair

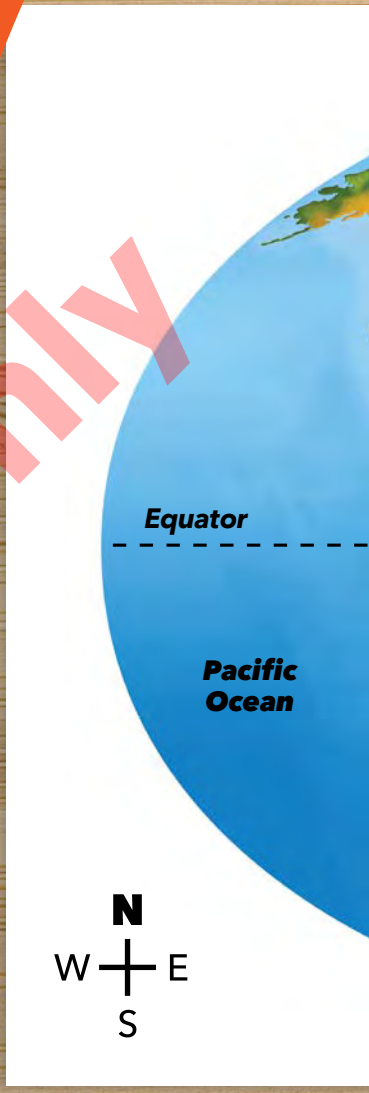
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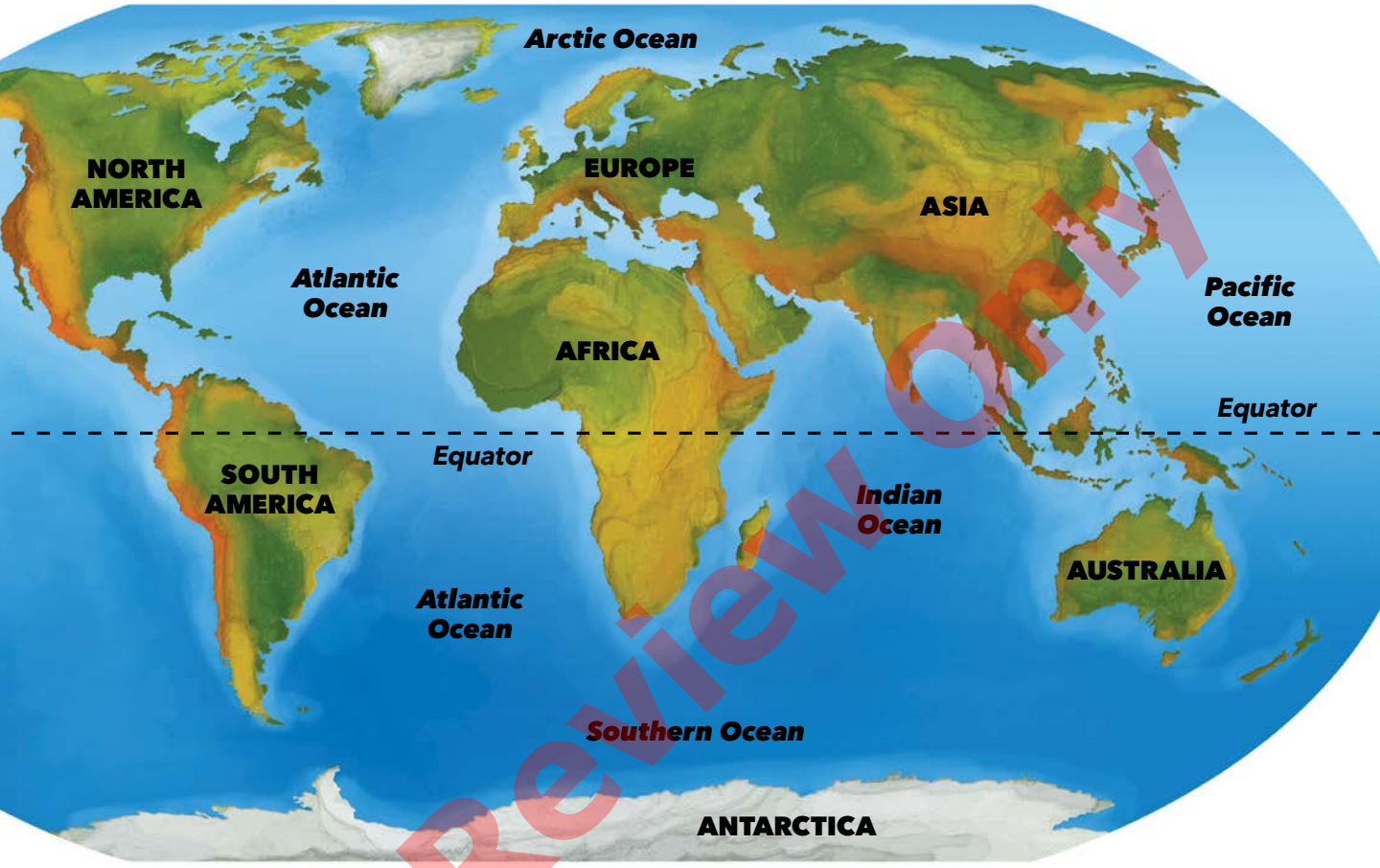
The Great Barrier Reef is here. It is the largest **coral reef** in the world. It is more than 1,250 miles (2,012 kilometers) long! Around 1,500 types of fish live here!

Australia is the smallest continent. It is south of the **equator**. It is in the Southern **Hemisphere**.

Australia is the name of a country and a continent. There are many islands in the Pacific Ocean near Australia. This area is called Oceania. More than 10,000 islands make up this **region**. The islands of New Zealand are some of the largest.



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Low mountains and **plateaus** cover the east coast. This area is called the Great Dividing Range. Australia's highest mountain is here. Mount Kosciuszko is 7,310 feet (2,228 m) tall.

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QUICK FACTS & TOOLS

AT A GLANCE



AUSTRALIA

Size: 2,969,976 square miles (7,692,202 square kilometers)

Size Rank: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe, **Australia**

Population Estimate: 25 million people (2019 estimate)

Exports: iron ore, coal, gold, natural gas, beef

Facts: Australia makes up five percent of Earth's land.

Australia has the world's largest sand island. Fraser Island is 75 miles (121 km) long.

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