

Traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Hunting Tools Cloze

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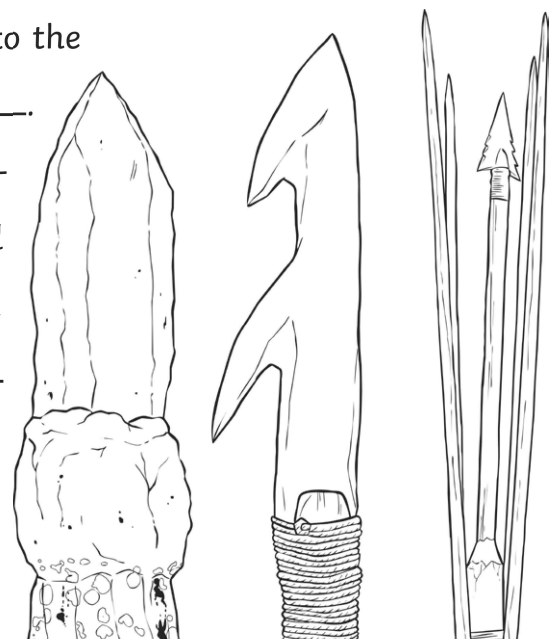
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complexity	hunting	sustainability	sinew	thrower
sharpening	abilities	spearhead	straighten	kangaroos
quartz	Throughout	multipurpose	centimetres	launch

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples are some of the oldest surviving civilisations in the world. _____ history, they practised _____ to make sure their land continued to provide for them. In order to do this, they used many clever tools to hunt and gather food for their tribe. Many of the traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander hunting tools were _____, showing the _____ of the design _____ of traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

One of the most _____ used hunting tools was a spear. These were usually made from a curly vine called _____. An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander man would heat the vine over a small fire. Doing this would dry out the _____ and make it easier to _____. When the vine was hot, the maker shaped it into the form he wanted. Next, a wooden _____ was attached to the

_____ by using kangaroo or emu _____.

The bottom end was then carved to fit onto a spear-thrower. When completed, the spear was around 270 _____ long. These spears were used to hunt large animals such as _____ or emus.



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'_____', also known as 'Miru' or spear-throwers were another _____ tool used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. They were made from mulga wood and used for several things. They were mainly used to _____ a spear. The _____ placed the end of the spear into a small peg on the opposite end of the spear-thrower. The spear could then be launched with _____ at prey. _____ into the handle of many spear-throwers was a very sharp piece of _____ rock. This was used for cutting, shaping or _____. The spear-thrower was also used as a _____ for mixing _____, in ceremonies and to _____ spears in battle.

