

# The First Australians

The Aboriginal people were the first people to come to Australia. Some scientists believe that they came to Australia from Asia over 40000 years ago.



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Aboriginal people believe that everything on Earth was made in the **Dreamtime**. The Dreamtime is an important part of Aboriginal **beliefs**. Aboriginal people believe that before the Dreamtime, Earth was flat and dark.

The Dreamtime **spirits** made the trees, mountains, rivers and lakes. Last of all, the Dreamtime spirits made the animals and the people. Then the spirits went back into the land, the sea and the sky.



▲ An Aboriginal family

Aboriginal families were the First Australians. Since then, families have come to Australia from many countries all over the world and made it their home, too.