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The map shows that there are hundreds of different Indigenous cultures that exist all around Australia. While these Indigenous cultures all share some similarities, they are all also their own distinct culture with their own customs, beliefs and stories.

## 2. Annotate the map below, identifying all the Indigenous groups in the state/territory in which you live.

It can be seen that many Indigenous cultures extended over more than one State as defined by the political map of Australia. The State and Territory borders would negatively impact these groups as they would have lost portions (or all) of their land.

## 3. Compare the ‘political’ map of Australia (on the previous page) with the Indigenous Australia map. What impact would the State and Territory borders have had on Indigenous communities?

The map of Europe from the late 1700s shows a large continental landmass which is divided up into individual territories (countries), while the map of Indigenous Australia also shows a large continental landmass divided up into individual Indigenous Nations. This shows that, despite the beliefs of the European colonists, Indigenous Australians did have clearly defined land boundaries.