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Gulaga - Mount Dromedary

James Cook, 21 April 1770: At 6 oClock we were a breast of a pretty high mountain laying near the shore which on account of its figure I named Mount Dromedary.
Label this place on your map.

Use these questions to help you explore the place known by its First Peoples as Gulaga. Watch the video ‘Mount Gulaga and Gurung-gubba’. Write your thoughts or wonderings about this place in the shapes on your map.

Naming a place

1. At the top of your page design a title using both the Indigenous name and the English name. Include the date of the first sighting by the Endeavour crew.
2. Why did Cook name this place Mount Dromedary?
3. What do Aboriginal people see when they look at Gulaga?
4. Why is Gulaga important to the Aboriginal people of the area?

Story of the pelican

1. In the video, what did the ‘old people’ think Cook was?
2. What is the story of the pelican?
3. How do you think this story connects to the Endeavour story?

Story of Gulaga

1. Who lived here before Cook arrived?
2. What is their story of Gulaga?

Wallaga Lake Reserve

Read and listen to the Yuin people’s stories about living on the reserve.
1. What has Cook’s arrival meant for the Yuin people?
2. Why were people moved onto the reserve?
3. In what ways have Yuin people regained their land?

View from the telescope

1. Based on your exploration of Gulaga – Mount Dromedary, draw a picture of what you think the shore looked like from the ship.

Word art

Write some Indigenous words around your map. Include the English words too. Be creative!