

LEARNING RESOURCE

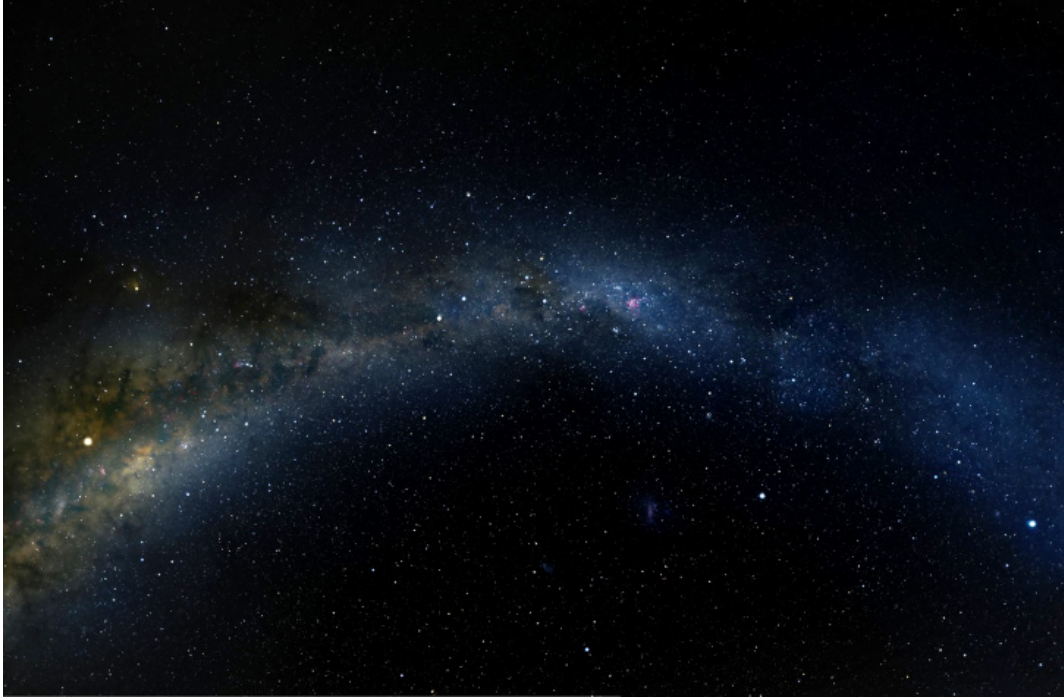
BARANYI 1770

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Years K–6

AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS ASTRONOMY

Stage 2&3



Baranyi describes the concept of ‘yesterday’ in the language of the Eora. On 29 April 1770 the Endeavour sailed into Kamay (Botany Bay) and the lives of Australia’s First Nations Peoples changed forever.

The [video reference](#) uses technology that enables us to move through time and space – showing us where we have come from, helping us understand the impact of our footprints on Country and showing us the night sky as it was seen from Kamay on the evening of 28 April 1770 — the last sky before contact.

CIRCLE OF VIEWPOINTS

This is a visible thinking routine from Project Zero, Harvard Graduate School of Education. It aims to help learners see and explore multiple perspectives.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

Before joining us for your video conference on Australian Indigenous astronomy we would like your learners to watch the video at: https://youtu.be/A6Y4SLR_FAY

Ask the learners to identify who they think were the key participants of the events of 28–29 April 1770 in Kamay (Botany Bay). They will most likely identify two groups.

1. The Kamaygal people of the Dharawal Nation, and
2. The crew of HMB Endeavour

They may come up with others.

Ask the learners to think about what the events might have meant to the participants at the time. Then ask how they might reflect on it 250 years later.

They can question each other’s perspective on the event and intervening period.

The routine is designed to help learners understand that people experience and connect to events in diverse but no less significant ways.