

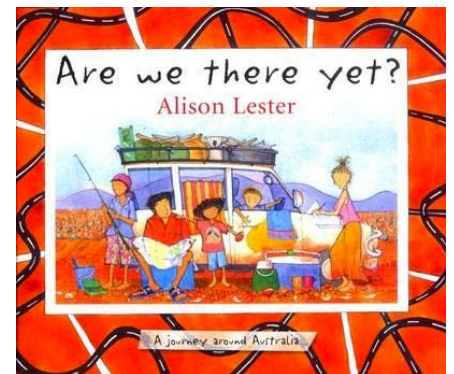
Places are Similar and Different

Are we there yet?

When exploring Places that are Similar and Different, we sometimes forget to investigate the similarities and differences of the areas very close to where we live. Western Sydney is a place which has many different features and characteristics which influence the way people live, manage and enjoy their environment.

Inquiry Questions:

- How and why are places similar and different?
- How do people's perceptions about places influence their views about the protection of places?



Health and Safety Issues

As you are working out in the field you need to be aware that:

- Ground material is often covered in moss and can be very slippery.
- Vines and dense undergrowth can trip.
- Fallen trees can be rotten and weak.
- Some animals can deliver painful or venomous bites.
- On slopes, rocks can be easily dislodged.

Outcomes

- examines features and characteristics of places and environments GE2-1
- describes the ways people, places and environments interact GE2-2
- examines differing perceptions about the management of places and environments GE2-3
- acquires and communicates geographical information using geographical tools for inquiry GE2-4

Student Name: _____

Pre Visit Lesson

Did you recognise any of the places that Grace and her family went to in “*Are we there yet?*” by Alison Lester ?

Are Grace and her family from Victoria or from South Australia?

Explain how Grace’s home is different to yours?

Grace and her family visit all the states of Australia. They visit every capital city except Adelaide. Can you name all the state capital cities?

South Australia _____

Western Australia _____

Northern Territory _____

Queensland _____

New South Wales _____

Victoria _____

Tasmania _____

What is the capitol of Australia? _____

This is a map of **Western Sydney**. Sydney is the capital of NSW.






Mark the route you think the bus will take from your school to Brewongle by tracing with a pencil over the roads. Think about which would be the quickest route or the fastest.

SPOTTO

When you go on long journeys in the car does your play family games? YES / NO

Spotto is sometimes used when travelling, to spot yellow cars. This game of Spotto is a little different. In this Spotto you will need to tick items listed as you see them, although some will need tally marks if you see lots of them.

ITEM	TALLY
A sign with WINDSOR on it. For example 	
Roundabouts	
Sets of traffic lights	
Yellow cars	
Schools	
 Cattai National Park	
 A farm dam.	
Creeks that you cross. Write one creek's name _____	
Cows.	
Horses.	
Tractors.	
 A Baulkham Hills sign	
 A vineyard	
 A road side vegetable stall.	

Were there more traffic lights in the first half of your journey? YES / NO

What was different about the second half of the journey to Brewongle?

1 - wargul



B _____ R _____

baraba

USES:

Roots were roasted and eaten.
Leaves for weaving.

2 - bulla



S _____ F _____

ulowang

USES:

Sandpaper. Sap used for wounds. Purple fruit was eaten.

3 - bulla wargul



P _____ J _____ F _____

damun

USES:

Food, weapons and twine
Figs were eaten.

4 - bulla bulla



G _____ G _____

maandowie

USES:

Animals that inhabited these trees were used for meat and fur.

5 - dhamara



G _____

naam-burra

USES:

Fruits were eaten. Inner bark used as a bush bandaid..

6 - dhamara wargul



M _____ R _____

USES:

String, Mats, baskets and dilly bags. Seeds ground to make cakes.

7 - dhamara bulla



K _____ G _____

durawi

USES:

Seeds used for grain and to make bread, kangaroo food

8 - dhamara bulla warqul



S _____ B _____

buran

USES:

Canoes, huts, shields and coolamons and string rolled from bark

9 - dhamara bulla bulla



S _____

G _____ W _____

wattungle

USES:

Fish poison, antiseptic lotion.
Weapon, tools and coolamons.

MICRO-CLIMATE TESTING

Ridge-Top	
Test	Result
Observations What can you see?	
Line drawing of the ridge-top forest 	
Temperature How hot or cold?	°C
Canopy Density How much do leaves block out the sky?	%
Light How sunny or shady is it?	lux

Gully	
Test	Result
Observations What can you see?	
Line drawing of the gully forest 	
Temperature How hot or cold?	°C
Canopy Density How much do leaves block out the sky?	%
Light How sunny or shady is it?	lux

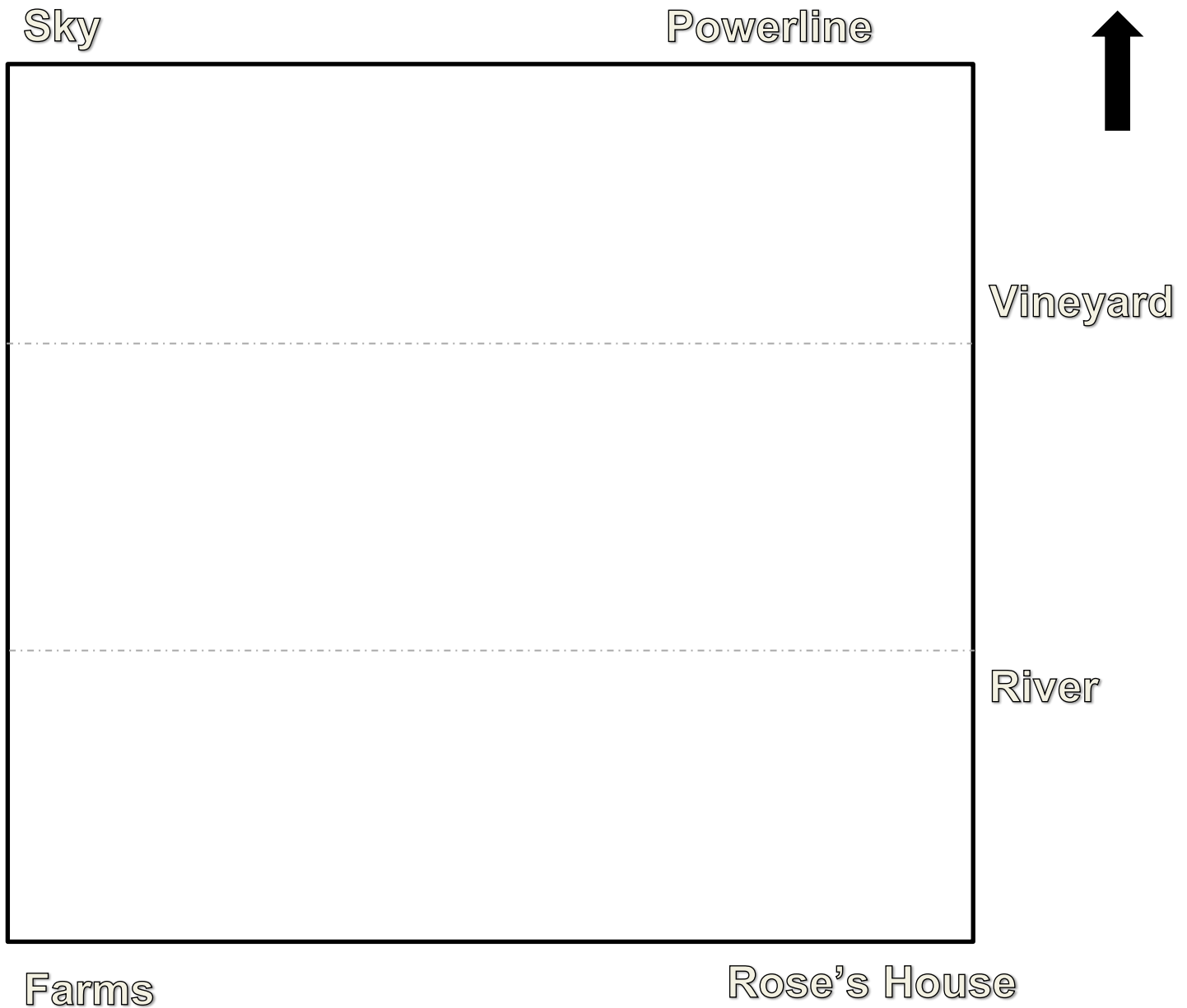
LINE SKETCH – Title: Hawkesbury River from Brewongle

What is in the far background? _____

What is in the mid-ground? _____

What is in the foreground? _____

Label your sketch using the words around the sketch border.

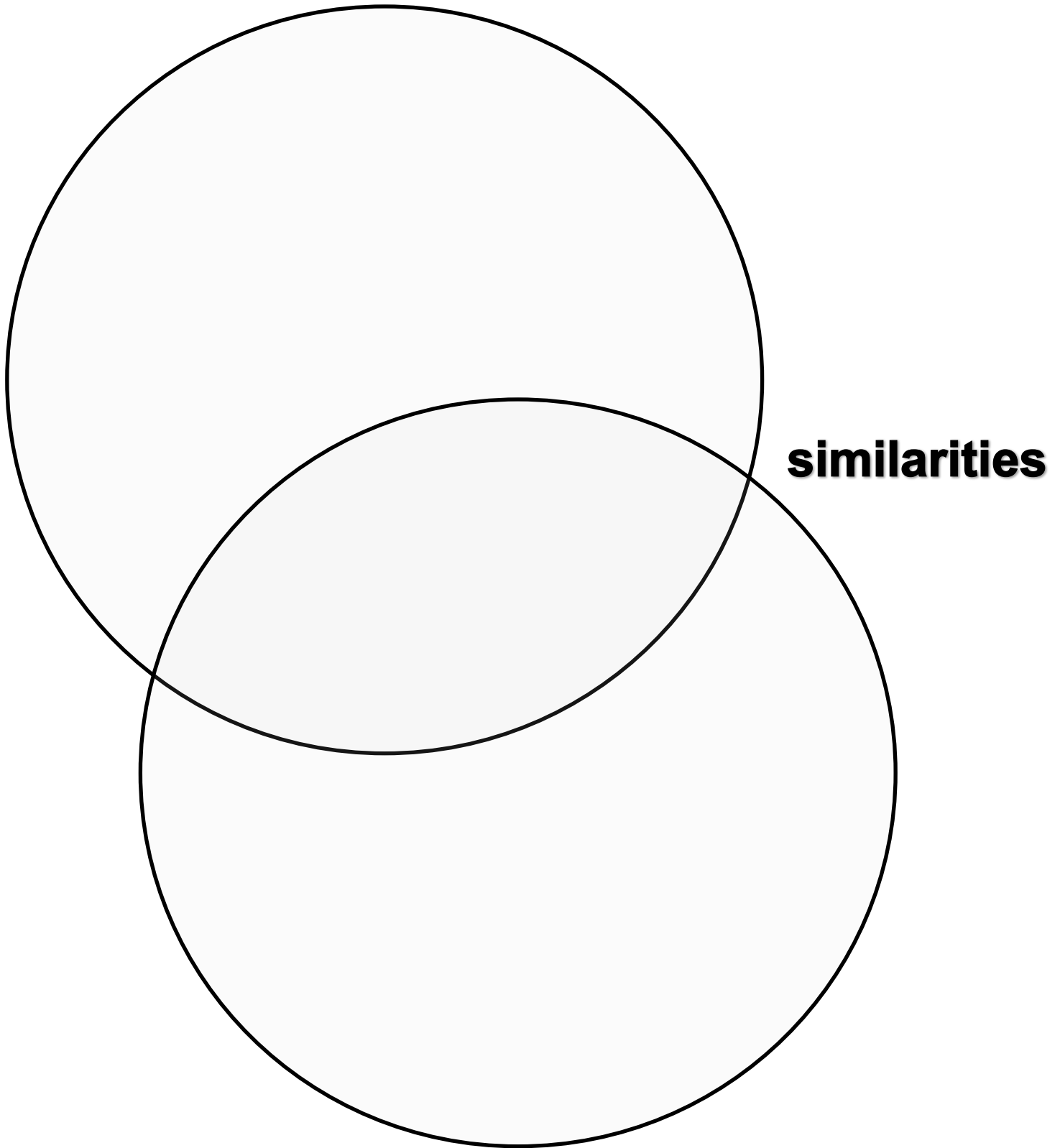


Why should we protect farmlands from having too many houses built on them?

How can we protect the Hawkesbury River?

Similarities and Differences between Brewongle EEC & my school

My School



Brewongle

Brewongle - River Country

