

Aboriginal Education – Learning from Home **Activity 6**

*Id like to start by acknowledging the Awabakal People, the traditional custodians of the land on which Senior School learns. I acknowledge their continued connection to land, water and earth.*

**Dreaming Story:**

**Mowane**

Listen to the dreaming story Mowane on the NSS Facebook page or video file. Use the visuals below to sequence the story.

**Additional resources:** Mowane communication board

## Awabakal Land Sites

Aboriginal people

Torres Strait Islander people

I'd like to start this video acknowledging the Awabakal people, the custodians of the land on which I live and work. Newcastle Senior School shows respect to the Awabakal people and is proud to learn on Awabakal country. We also show respect to our neighbours; the Wonnarua and Darkinjung people to the West, Worimi to the North and Kuringgai to the South. We also extend that respect to any Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people listening today. Story telling has always been an important tradition and practice to the Aboriginal people. Telling yarns ensures the passing of knowledge, customs, culture and language continues for many generations. It is important to share this culture and knowledge and ensure we do our part to keep language alive. May we listen to our First Nations people and learn true respect for the land.

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kangaroo

## The story of Mowane

Whibayganba (Nobby's Headland)  
Story of the Kangaroo

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The animals were in groups of male and female.

male


female

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happy


**The all lived together,  
peaceful and happy.**

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**One day a male kangaroo attacked a female wallaby.**

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**This was against the rules. He was banished from his group forever.**

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**After a long chase the kangaroo reached Muloobinbah (Newcastle) the place of sea ferns.**

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**The kangaroo entered the sea and swam to Whibayganba (Nobby's Island)**

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<p>kangaroo</p> 	<p>in</p> 	<p>He is still hiding in the headland, afraid to come out.</p>
		

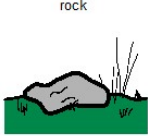
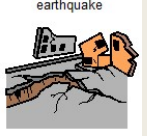
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<p>angry</p> 	<p>kangaroo</p> 	<p>tail</p> 
<p>When Mowane gets upset he thumps his giant tail.</p>		

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This causes rocks to fall and makes the ground tremble. This is what causes the earthquakes.

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<p>rock</p> 	<p>earthquake</p> 
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**Mowane**

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2MVYwBYXXI>

By local artist Soretta

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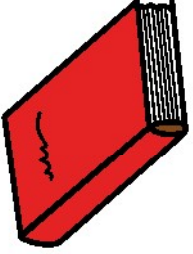
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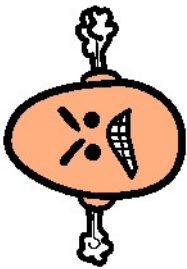
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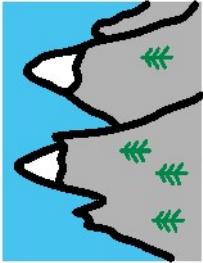
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angry



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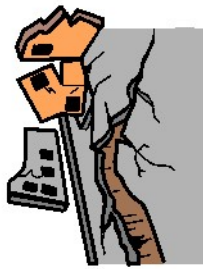
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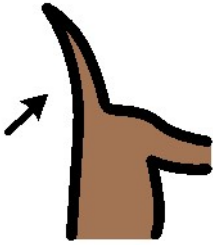
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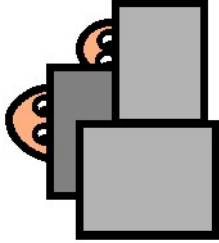
earthquake



tail



hide



Aboriginal people

