

## Water through time: Booran Reserve

**Level:** 3–4

**Curriculum focus:** *Historical Knowledge & Understanding*  
*Community, remembrance & celebrations*  
The significance of Country and Place to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples who are connected to their area [VC2HH4K01](#)

*Historical Knowledge & Understanding*  
*Early colonisation of Australia to c. 1800*  
The diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, their social organisation and the ways their daily lives were shaped by Country and Place [VC2HH4K06](#)

*Historical Knowledge & Understanding*  
*Early colonisation of Australia to c. 1800*  
Aboriginal Peoples' experiences, perspectives and responses to the impact of colonisation following the

arrival of the First Fleet [VC2HH4K09](#)

*Historical Concepts & Skills*  
*Continuity & change*

Identify and describe continuity and change [VC2HH4S06](#)

*Historical Concepts and Skills*  
*Causes & consequences*

Describe the causes and consequences of change  
[VC2HH4S07](#)

**Learning outcome:**

Students understand the importance of water to Traditional Owners and can identify the ways in which water was used in the past.

Students understand how the natural landscape and Traditional Owners were impacted by colonisation.

**What's included:**

- Activities
- Discussion questions
- Further resources

## Activities

### Activity one

Watch the video [Water through Time: Booran Reserve](#)

Pause and discuss the video as needed.

### Discussion questions

- What does Booran Reserve tell us about how our Traditional Owners used water?
- How is this different to how European settlers used the water?

## Activity two

- Watch the [Tiddalik the Frog story as told by Museums Victoria](#).

### Discussion questions:

- What happens in the Tiddalik story?
- What happened when Tiddalik took all the water?
- What is important to remember about our environment?

## Teacher resources

### Visit

#### Map of historic sites in the City of Glen Eira

This [map](#) shows primary schools in the City of Glen Eira along with monuments, museums, historical societies, plaques, memorials, public art, historic buildings, and sites that commemorate First Nations history. Visit our [Self-guided Walking Tours page](#) for more information.



### Watch

Glen Eira City Council (2017) [Booran Reserve - an open space for all](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2019) [Welcome to Country with Parbin-ata Carolyn Briggs AM](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2019) [Parbin-ata Carolyn Briggs AM shares the story of the possum cloak](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2022) [Alicia Cerreto - in conversation with Glen Eira Historical Society](#)

Museums Victoria (2019) [Tidalik](#)

Rainbow Serpent & the Blue Bird (2021) [Tiddalick - The Frog who caused a Flood](#)

### Learn

City of Moorabbin Historical Society (2024) [City of Moorabbin Historical Society \(Box Cottage\) Collection](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2024) [History of Our Council](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2024) [Glen Eira City Council History and Heritage Collection](#)

Glen Eira Historical Society (2024) [Glen Eira Historical Society Collection](#)

National Trust Rippon Lea Estate (2023) [Meet the Underground River](#)

Glen Eira City Council (June 2017) [Glen Eira News](#), p.4