

Australian English: history and development



Vocabulary and grammar


Abbreviations and diminutive forms make up the dominant share of Australian slang, but there are other words and expressions by which the inhabitants of this continent can be easily distinguished from the inhabitants of the northern hemisphere. Here are some examples:

- Have you eaten yet?
Cause I got you a **brekkie**

- No, I haven't. Thank
you so much! I literally
dreamt of it!



Distinctive features



- Hi! I guess my car's **bonnet** looks better now, doesn't it? I've got it fixed in the service recently

- Oh, you mean a **hood**?
Yes, i agree

- Well, let's go to the servo then, we don't have much time to talk!

Features of Australian English include the strong accent that many Australians have and which can be difficult for people learning English to understand.

There are the main dialects:

- 1.Cultivated Australian
- 2.Broad Australian
- 3.General Australian

History



The development of the English language in Australia attracts attention. After all, the first settlers on the mainland, except the aborigines, were exiled convicts who convicted of serious crimes in Britain.

The earliest form of Australian English was first spoken by the children of the first settlers of New South Wales. This first generation of children created a new dialect, which would later become the language of the nation.

