

ADVANCED STUDENTS

Visual Keys to the Flag

Symbolism

Part 1



Anatomy of the BIG RED

Concept/Conscious (see dictionary)

Head – To think outside the circle. Fairness in justice. Loyalty. **Ears** – To hear with wisdom.

Nose – Piercing pomposity. **Neck** – Support/Community. **Chin** – Determination. **Paw** – Welcome. Industry. Produce. Service. G'day! **Chest** – Heart of a Nation, Health. **Tail** – Balance, Negotiation. **Leg** – Sports. Defence.

The Philosopher's Quill – Art, education, negotiation, and communication.

The **Aura** is representative of higher beliefs, religious or scientific, and this is one of the Flag of Light's 7 sources. A beacon of hope enveloped in confidence and direction.

The **Circle** is in its form representative of both Unity and Eternity. It honours our indigenous peoples, it is the shape of our national flower, the 'Golden Wattle', and ultimately the sun on the brown slouch hat. Prosperity and Olympic Gold. One of 7 light sources.

Black is for remembering (Lest We Forget) mateship, service, dedication, discipline.

Green is for ecology, environment, and nature.

Blue are our 7 seas and sky.

Stars each point symbolically represents matters of importance to the Nation.

Federation star (top, 7 points) – One for each State and one for Territories. Clockwise in order of establishment. N.S.W., 1788; Tasmania, 1803; Western Australia, 1829; South Australia, 1836; Victoria, 1851; Queensland, 1859. Plus one for territories. Homes of Democracy. Our Country, our laws.

Ethical star (right, 6 points) – Clockwise – honesty, truth, respect, pride, honour, and integrity.

Wonder star (left, 8 points) – The Great Barrier Reef, Uluru, Kakadu, Shark Bay, The Twelve Apostles, McKenzie Falls, Fraser Island, The Pinnacles or your version etc.

Achievement star (middle, 5 points) – name five top achievers in any form e.g. cricket giants. Batsmen – Bradman, etc.

ANZAC/Service star (bottom, 9 points) resting in the green of land and memory banners – Mateship, service, discipline, dedication. Each point lists a battle, clockwise, e.g. Kokoda, Tobruk, Vietnam, etc. And all aspects of pro community elements and infrastructure. Military, teachers, workforce, police, families, volunteers, medical, firefighters, government, etc.