

Interpreting Advance Australia Fair

Advance Australia Fair	Interpretation
	<p>Australians all let us rejoice, For we are young and free; We've golden soil and wealth for toil, Our home is girt by sea; Our land abounds in Nature's gifts Of beauty rich and rare; In history's page, let every stage Advance Australia fair! In joyful strains then let us sing, "Advance Australia fair!"</p>
<p>When gallant Cook from Albion sail'd, To trace wide oceans o'er, True British courage bore him on, Till he landed on our shore. Then here he raised Old England's flag, The standard of the brave; With all her faults we love her still, Brittannia rules the wave! In joyful strains then let us sing "Advance Australia fair!"</p>	<p>Captain Cook sailed from England and charted lands and seas that were previously unknown to Europeans. Cook showed courage to explore unknown seas. Cook landed on the east coast of Australia in 1770 where he raised the English flag, which represented the brave people of England. Even though England has faults, Australians still respect her. England heads the Commonwealth.</p>
<p>Beneath our radiant southern Cross, We'll toil with hearts and hands; To make this Commonwealth of ours Renowned of all the lands; For those who've come across the seas We've boundless plains to share; With courage let us all combine To advance Australia fair. In joyful strains then let us sing "Advance Australia fair!"</p>	<p>The Southern Cross can be seen in our night sky all year round. Australians are willing to work hard to make our country a great one on the world stage. For all the people who have settled in this land, there is a wide expanse of land to share. We must leave our prejudices and be united to help Australia to move forward into the future.</p>

<p>While other nations of the globe Behold us from afar, We'll rise to high renown and shine Like our glorious southern star; From England, Scotia, Erin's Isle, Who come our lot to share, Let all combine with heart and hand To advance Australia fair! In joyful strains then let us sing "Advance Australia fair!"</p>	<p>Other countries around the world think we are an insignificant country, but Australia will be recognised and stand out like the Southern Cross in the night sky.</p> <p>People have settled in Australia from Britain: England, Scotland and Ireland.</p> <p>Every one of us should all join together as one to take Australia forward into the future</p>
<p>Shou'd foreign foe e'er sight our coast, Or dare a foot to land, We'll rouse to arms like sires of yore To guard our native strand; Brittannia then shall surely know, Beyond wide ocean's roll, Her sons in fair Australia's land Still keep a British soul. In joyful strains then let us sing "Advance Australia fair!"</p>	<p>If Australia was ever threatened by a foreign enemy or invaded by an outside force, we will join together, as we have done in the past, to protect our people and land.</p> <p>Britain will know that, even though Australians of British ancestry are far across the seas, they retain British values.</p> <p>Let's all join together to help move Australia forward into the future.</p>

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