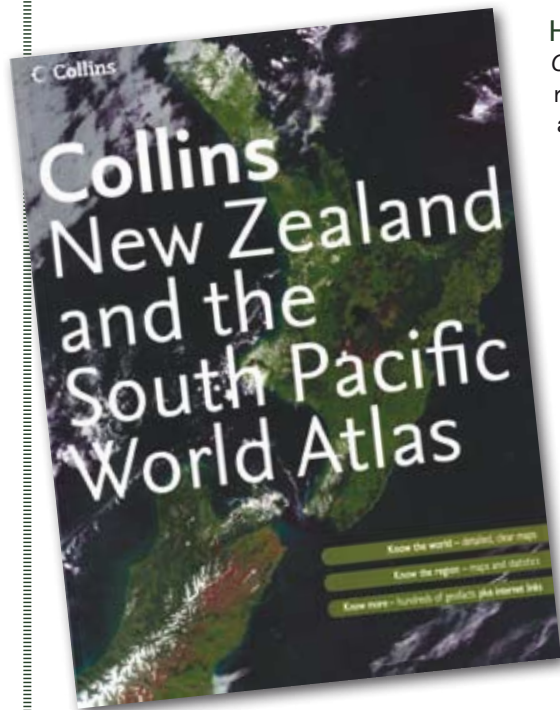
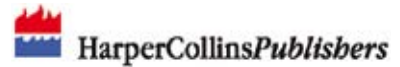


# Collins New Zealand and the South Pacific World Atlas

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## High Quality and Easily Accessible Atlas

*Collins New Zealand and the South Pacific World Atlas* is based on the world-renowned Bartholomew Database providing highly accurate, up-to-date and authoritative information bringing today's world to life with beautifully clear maps and fascinating facts and statistics. The major advantage of this atlas is that it is produced from a New Zealand-centric basis providing detailed maps, facts and statistics and focus on our part of the world – Oceania. This includes Pacific Islands, Australia, southeast Australia, southwest Pacific and all the countries that border the Pacific Ocean where over half of the world's population can be found.

## More than Maps

*Collins New Zealand and the South Pacific World Atlas* adds a new dimension to the concept of an atlas and includes the following:

- clear and logical map symbols
- New Zealand population graphs
- New Zealand facts
- Pacific trade graphs
- World information including dimensions, land and water surface, continents, oceans and seas, islands, major rivers, lakes, major volcanoes and when last erupted
- Detailed country information including capital, flag, population, currency, languages, religions, life expectancy, birth and death rate etc.
- 24-hour world timezones
- New Zealand rainfall graphs
- Internet links
- Pacific Ocean facts

## Using the Collins Atlas in the Classroom

### Map Symbols:

- Introduce students to the idea that to gain information from maps, it is necessary to be familiar with the common mapping symbols used and what they mean. Schedule regular sessions where students can focus on the meaning of specific symbols and use this knowledge to gain real information from maps, **eg** New Zealand and Australia maps
  - what is the capital city of New Zealand and what is the population range?
  - which New Zealand city has a population of over 1 million?
  - locate cities in the North and South Island that have populations between 100,000 and 500,000.
  - locate the capital city of Australia and four Australian cities that have a population of over 1 million people.
  - locate four cities in New Zealand that have regional airports and name the main airports of New Zealand.
  - which is the highest of the three North Island mountains Tongariro, Ngauruhoe and Ruapeh, and by how much?
  - how do we tell the difference between a fresh water lake and a salt water lake?
  - locate and name three salt water lakes in Australia.
  - locate and name the one South Island salt lake from which our table salt is harvested.
  - using the scale on the South Island map and a ruler, calculate the distance Cromwell is inland from the East Coast of the South Island.
  - is it possible to drive a car from Perth to Darwin? Name two coastal towns you would pass through on your journey north.

## General Collins Atlas Skills Sample Ideas

- **Borders:** Name the country that shares borders with:
  - (a) Canada and Mexico (b) Russian Federation and Sweden
  - (c) France and Portugal (d) Jordan and Egypt
- **Capital Cities** (World Countries Map): Name the country where you would find the capital city of:
  - (a) Addis Ababa (b) Jakarta (c) Brasilia (c) Oslo
- **Bodies of Water:** Name the sea, ocean or body of water that separates each pair of countries:
  - (a) Ukraine and Turkey (b) Italy and Tunisia
  - (c) Greece and Turkey (d) Vietnam and Philippines
- **Pacific Ocean Map:**
  - Name the country New Zealand exports most goods to
  - Name the country Australia exports most goods to
  - Four of the world's richest eight nations border the Pacific Ocean. Name them.
- **Pacific Islands:** Have students use the Nations of the World section to find out the following information about our following Pacific neighbours: Vanuatu, Samoa, Fiji, Tonga, New Caledonia.
  - the capital city
  - local currency
  - life expectancy
  - time zone
  - language(s) spoken
  - population
  - religion
  - description of flag
- **Location by Grid:** The index of an atlas lists page numbers and an alphabetical and numerical grid to aid location of countries, towns and geographic features. Have students practise this skill on a regular basis.
- On a regular group rotation basis, have students come up with Atlas Skill challenges for the rest of the class to complete.

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