

## Australian Animal words

MELBOURNE	OCEAN	LIZARD
MUSEUM	RIVER	OWL
AUSTRALIA	BAT*	PENGUIN
ANIMAL	BIRD	PLATYPUS
DAY	ECHIDNA	POSSUM
NIGHT	FROG	SEAGULL*
BUSH*	KOALA	SNAKE
BEACH	KOOKABURRA	TURTLE

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This resource includes both common signs and classifiers.

### **What are ‘classifiers’?**

Where there is no equivalent Auslan sign for the English word, the word is finger-spelt and then hand shapes describe the object, animal, or thing. These hand shapes are called ‘classifiers’ and support children’s Auslan learning and understanding of the topics presented, in an age appropriate way.

Auslan signs in this resource that are marked with an asterisk\* are ‘classifiers’.



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*Melbourne*



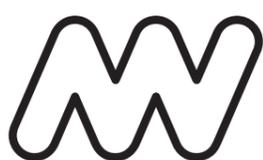
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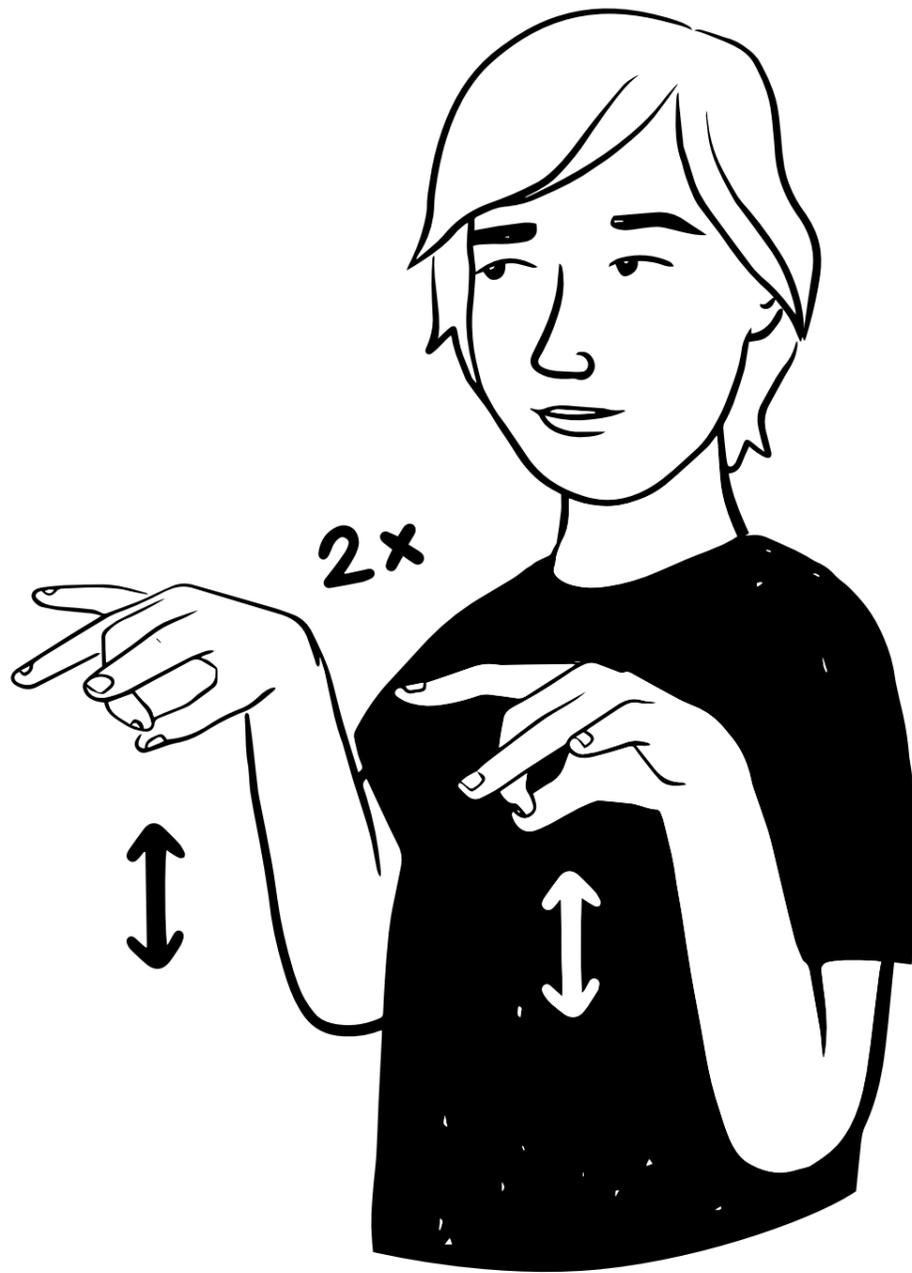
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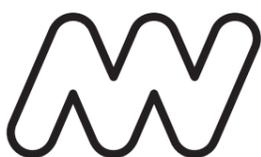
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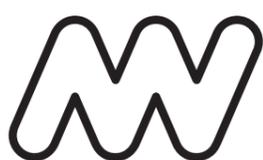
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*Animal*



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*Day*



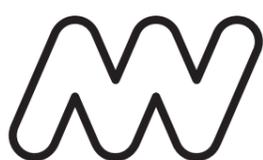
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*Night*

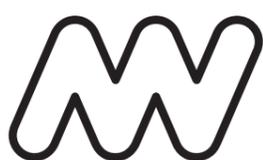


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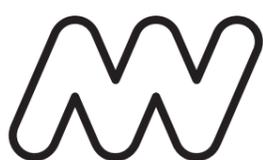
*Bush*\*

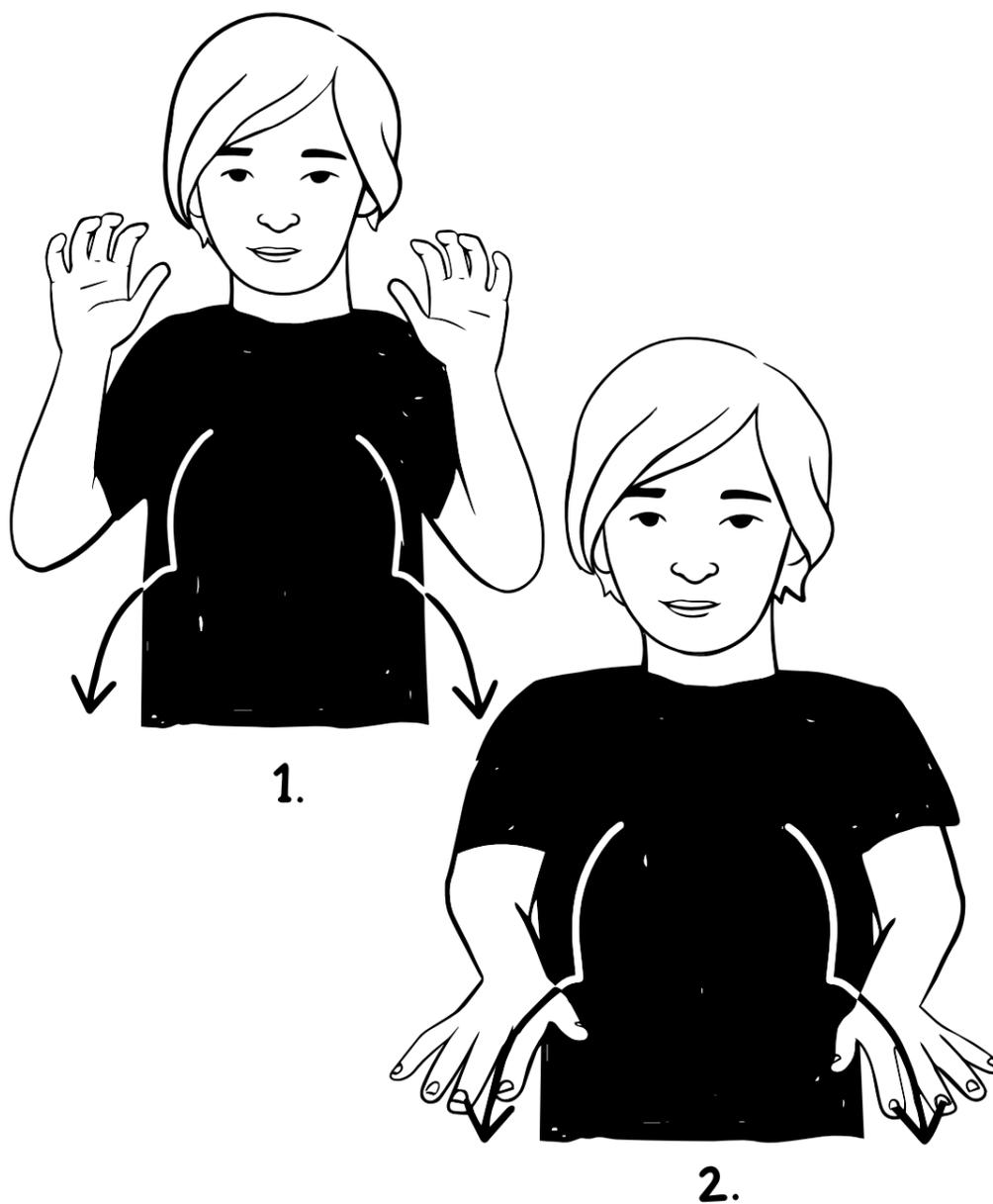
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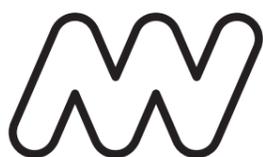


*Beach*





*Ocean*



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*River*



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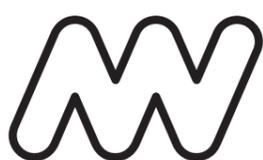
*Bat*\*

Fingerspelling: B-A-T





*Bird*





1.



2.

*Echidna*





*Frog*

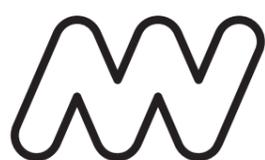


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*Koala*



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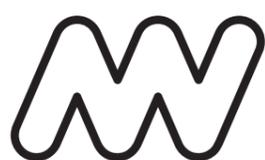


*Kookaburra*





*Lizard*



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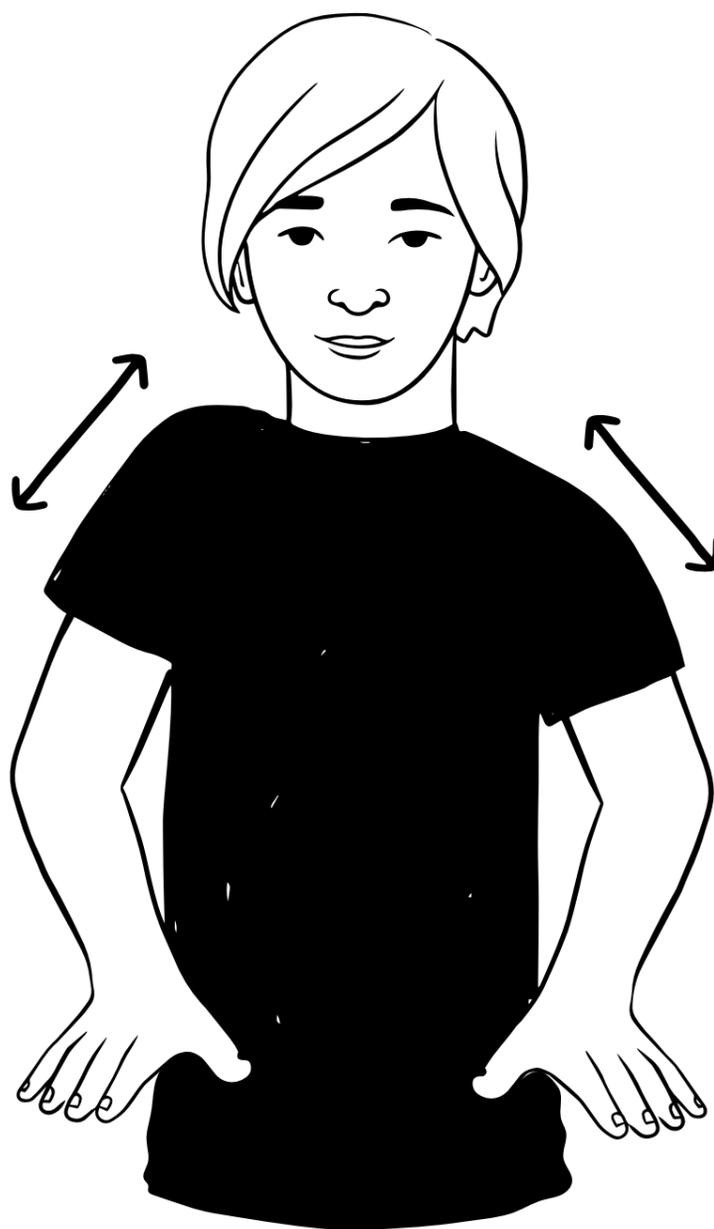
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*Owl*



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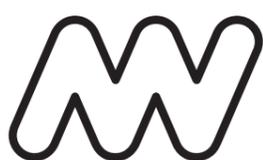


*Penguin*



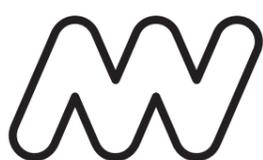


*Platypus*





*Possum*





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2.

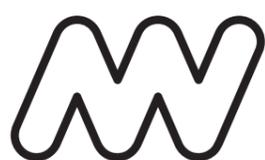
*Seagull\**

Fingerspelling: S-E-A-G-U-L-L





*Snake*



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*Turtle*



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