

# Glossary

## A

adopt: choose and follow something  
anticipation: that act of expecting something to happen  
appreciative: showing gratitude  
apprehend: catch and arrest someone

## B

biodiversity: the existence of a variety of plants and animals in their natural environment

## C

commitment: the act of making a promise to do something and keeping it  
confide: tell something to someone knowing that the person will not reveal it to others  
confront: stand in front of someone so that one is face to face with that person  
contingent: a group of people who have a similar nationality, belief, etc., and are part of a larger group

## F

fauna: refer to animals living in a specified area or period of time  
fractured: broken or cracked

## G

grandstand: a main seating area usually with individual seats where people can view an event such as games or sports

## H

heritage: traditional beliefs, customs, values or buildings that are passed down from the past

## I

iconic: something that is seen as a representation of impressiveness or importance  
impulse: sudden desire to do something without planning it  
inspire: be encouraged or influenced by someone such that one feels confident and eager to start on doing something  
instil: introduce and teach someone to think, behave or feel in a particular way over a period of time

## L

laboriously: spending a lot of time and effort on something  
legacy: something that exists in a present time as a result of a historical event or period

## M

magnitude: a measurement used to determine the size of an earthquake based on the amount of its force released

## N

nocturnal: referring to creatures that are more active at night

## P

passionate: liking something very much  
platform: a type of computer system or software  
pursue: strive to attain or gain something

## R

resilience: the state of being strong or recovering easily and quickly after having gone through a difficult time

## S

safeguard: protect something from harm  
sedentary: spending a great deal of time sitting or resting and not moving about or exercising  
sustain: suffer from an injury

## T

trepidation: anxiety or fear of what is going to come or happen

## U

usher: bring something new to start another thing