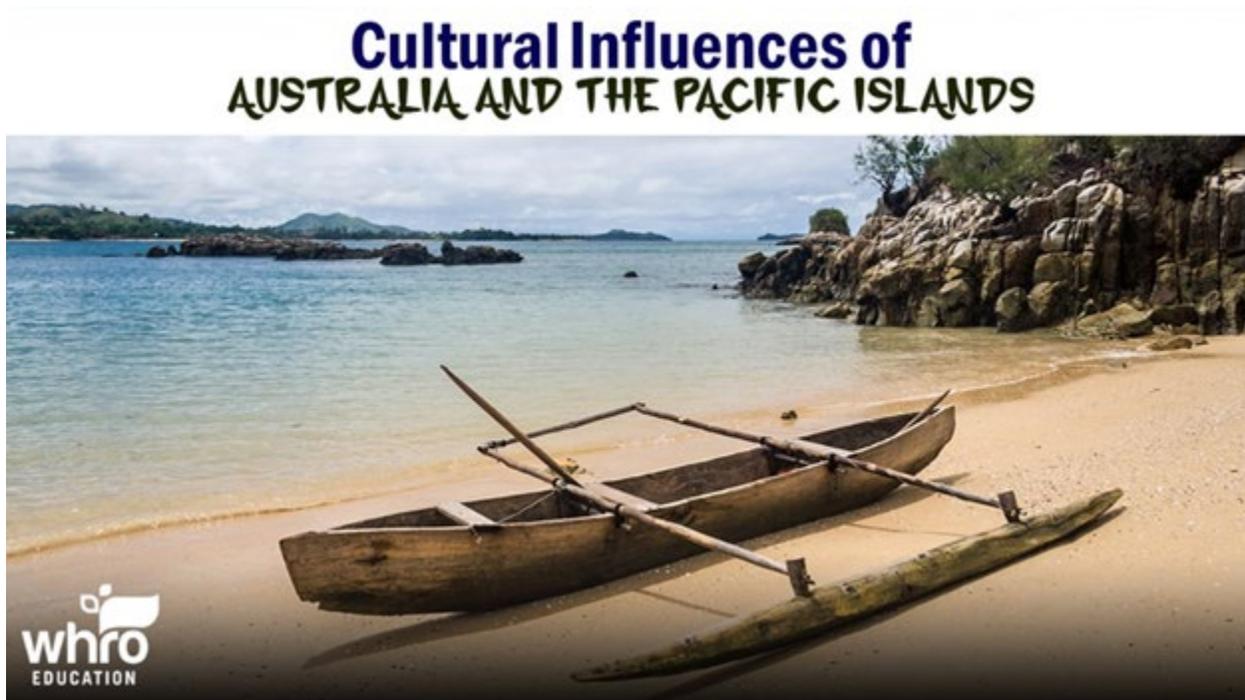


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Uluru



Uluru is located in Australia's Outback. It is the world's largest monolith, or single rock. This red-colored rock is four miles long, and looms 1,100 feet above the surrounding desert. Aborigines believe their ancestral spirits inhabit the rock. They have painted pictographs on cave walls at Uluru, which reveal important religious ceremonies, historical events, and elements of nature.

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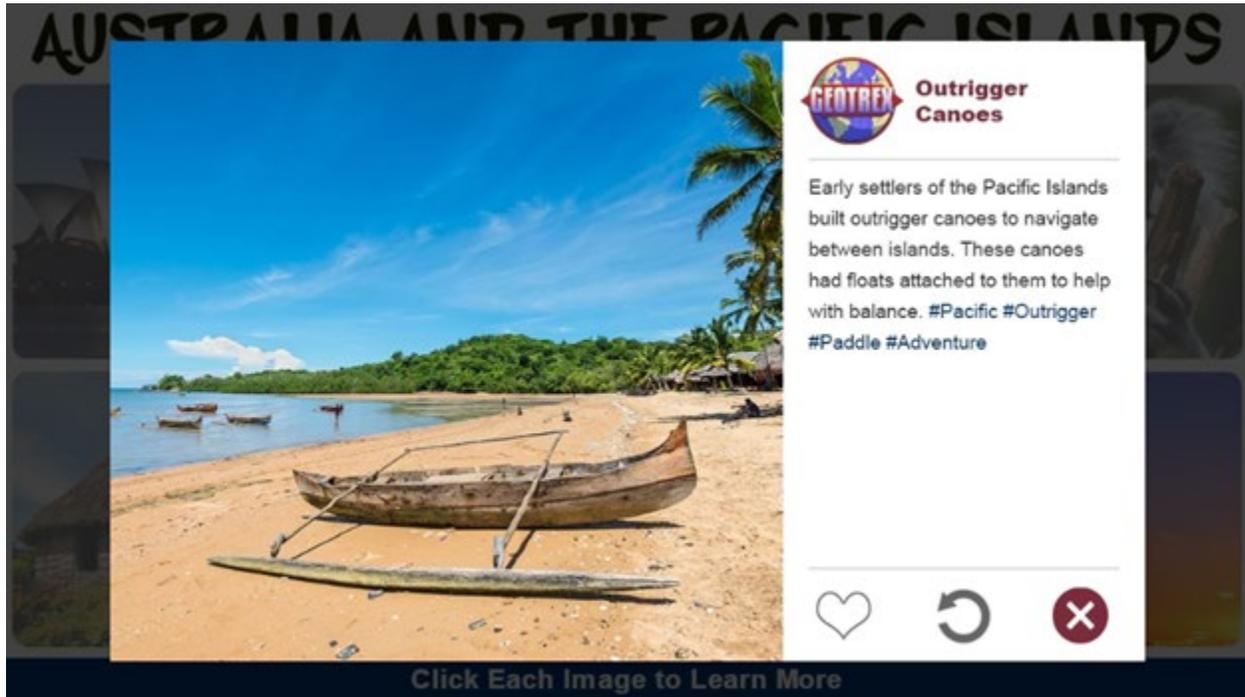
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Outrigger Canoes



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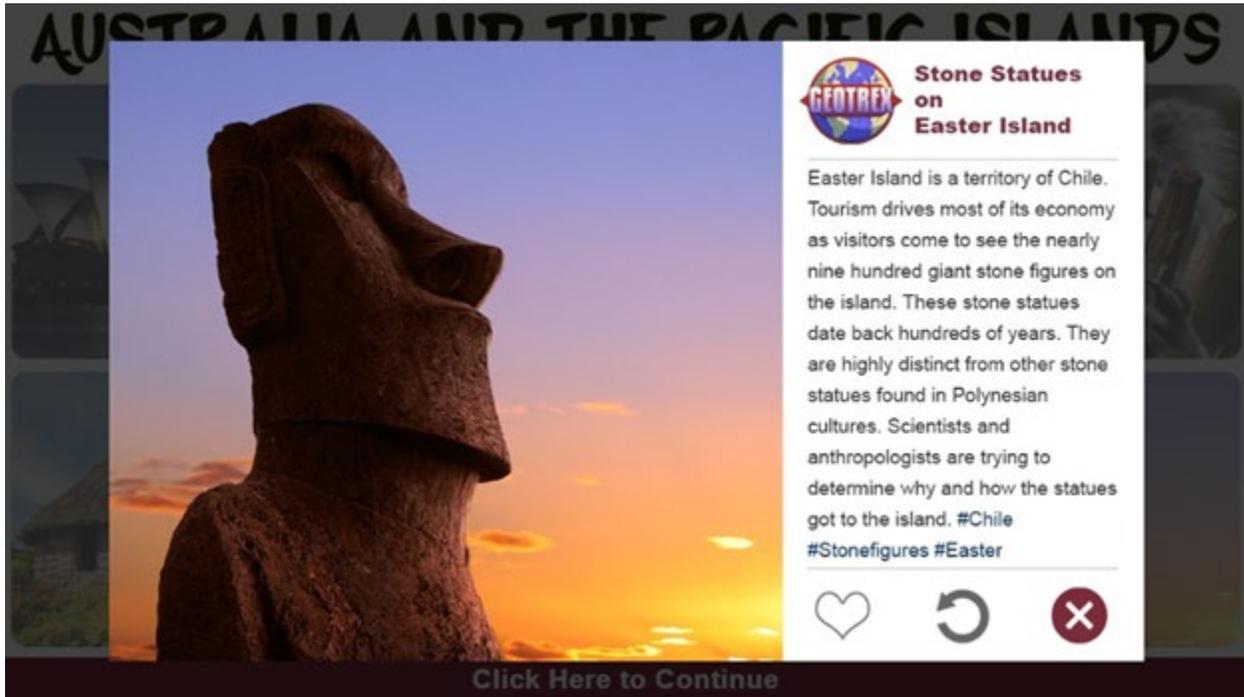
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Below the text box are three icons: a heart, a circular arrow, and a red circle with a white 'X'. At the bottom of the screen, there is a button that says "Click Here to Continue".

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