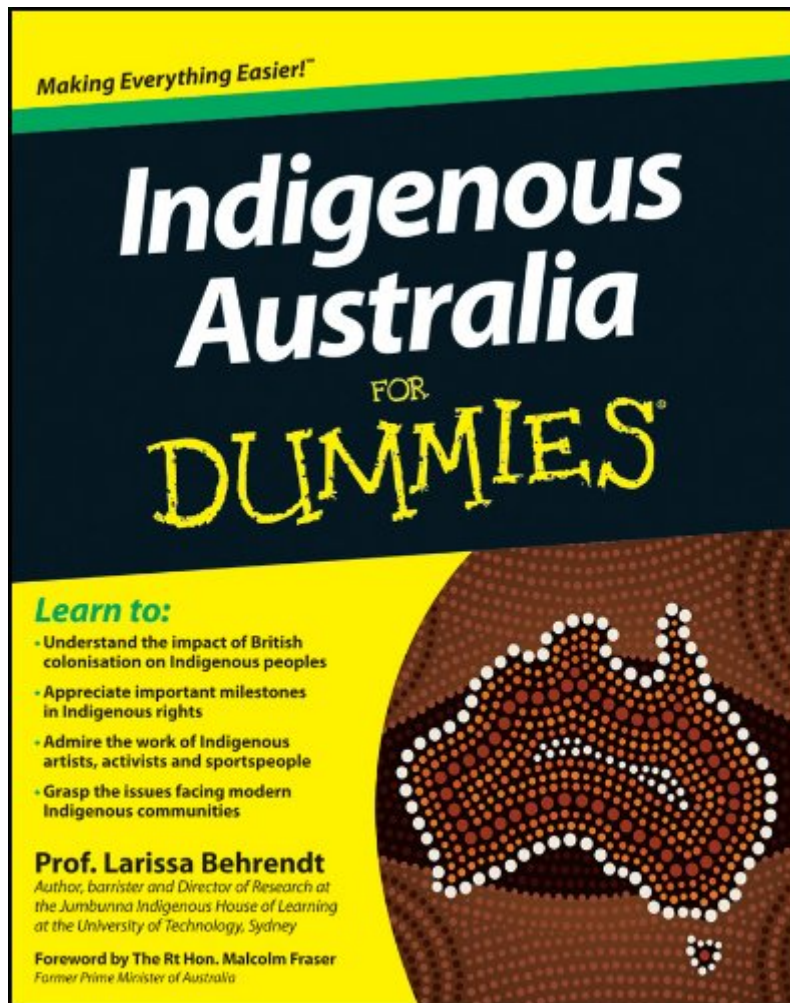




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'Indigenous Australia For Dummies is an important contribution to the broad debate and to a better understanding of our past history. Hopefully it will influence future events.'

—Former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser

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