

# LESSON 4: Location of our local threatened species

## Teaching & learning activities

Organise and conduct a field excursion to an appropriate local site using the information in the Field Excursion Sites section of the Kit. The aims of this excursion are for the students to locate various threatened species in their local area and to further investigate the threats to these species.

Prior to the excursion ensure that students are aware of safety procedures e.g. sun protection, appropriate footwear.

On the excursion, students are provided with a map of the local area (e.g. from a road directory or from Google Earth at [www.earth.google.com](http://www.earth.google.com)). They show the location of the site on this base map.

Using Activity Sheet 3, students sketch and describe threatened plants and/or the Kurri Sand Swamp Woodland community (refer to Lesson 2). Students can refer to Information Sheets to help identification. They also describe the health of the plant by noting any dead parts or leaves.

*(Numeracy link: uses mapping skills)*

## Syllabus Outcomes

**GE3-1** describes the diverse features and characteristics of places and environments

**GE3-2** explains interactions and connections between people, places and environments

**GE3-3** compares and contrasts influences on the management of places and environments

## Content:

Students:

- locate the threatened plant species found on the base map using symbols.
- record any evidence of threats (refer to Lesson 3) to the threatened species at the site. They could do this using a video recorder, digital camera or notes.

## Objectives - Implementing the Environmental Education Policy in your school

Students will develop knowledge and understandings about:

- the impact of people on environments (K2).

Students will develop skills in:

- identifying and assessing environmental problems (S2)

## Resources required

- Activity Sheet 3
- Base map of area in and around field excursion site/s
- Copies of student Information Sheets
- Digital camera/ video recorder (optional)