

*Coral Reefs*  
are the "Rainforests"  
of the ocean.



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1. Where is the biggest coral reef? Test your knowledge about coral reefs by choosing True or False and find out.

	True	False
a) You can see coral reefs from space.	A	G
b) You can put coral in food to make it taste salty.	R	U
c) One quarter of all the plants that live in the sea, grow in coral reefs.	S	E
d) It takes millions of tiny animals to make a coral reef.	T	E
e) Coral reefs need deep water.	N	R
f) A coral reef doesn't protect the coast from damage by storms.	L	A
g) Doctors can use medicine from coral to mend broken bones.	L	A
h) Hurricanes damage coral reefs more than people.	I	A
i) If we damage the reefs, there won't be enough food for the fish.	A	D



A U S T R A L I A

2. Read the sentences below. What does Mrs. Kingsley say we must and mustn't do to protect the reefs? Tick (V) the sentences.



- a) We must keep the reefs clean. [ **v** ]
- b) We must grow more plants on the coral reefs. [   ]
- c) We must stop putting rubbish in the sea. [ **v** ]
- d) We mustn't visit coral reefs. [   ]
- e) We mustn't disturb the water around the reefs. [ **v** ]
- f) We mustn't photograph the reefs. [   ]



**Kurumba Island, Maldives**



**Jamaican coral reef scene**



3. Look at the example from the listening. Use the verbs in the box to complete the other sentences.

**disappear    cut down    think    get    become    damage**

- a) Coral reefs .. *are disappearing* ... .
- b) Our cities .....*are getting*..... more polluted.
- c) People .....*are cutting down*..... forests.
- d) People .....*are damaging*.....the countryside.
- e) People .....*are thinking*... ..more about the environment.
- f) Fuel .....*is becoming*..... more expensive.



**Linfen, China**  
**The most polluted city in the world**



**Rainforest view**

4. In groups, discuss the sentences in exercise 3. Which of these things are good? Which are bad? What do you think we should be doing?







5. Find **Jamaica**, the **Great Barrier Reef** and the **Maldives** (the Maldiv Islands) on the map.













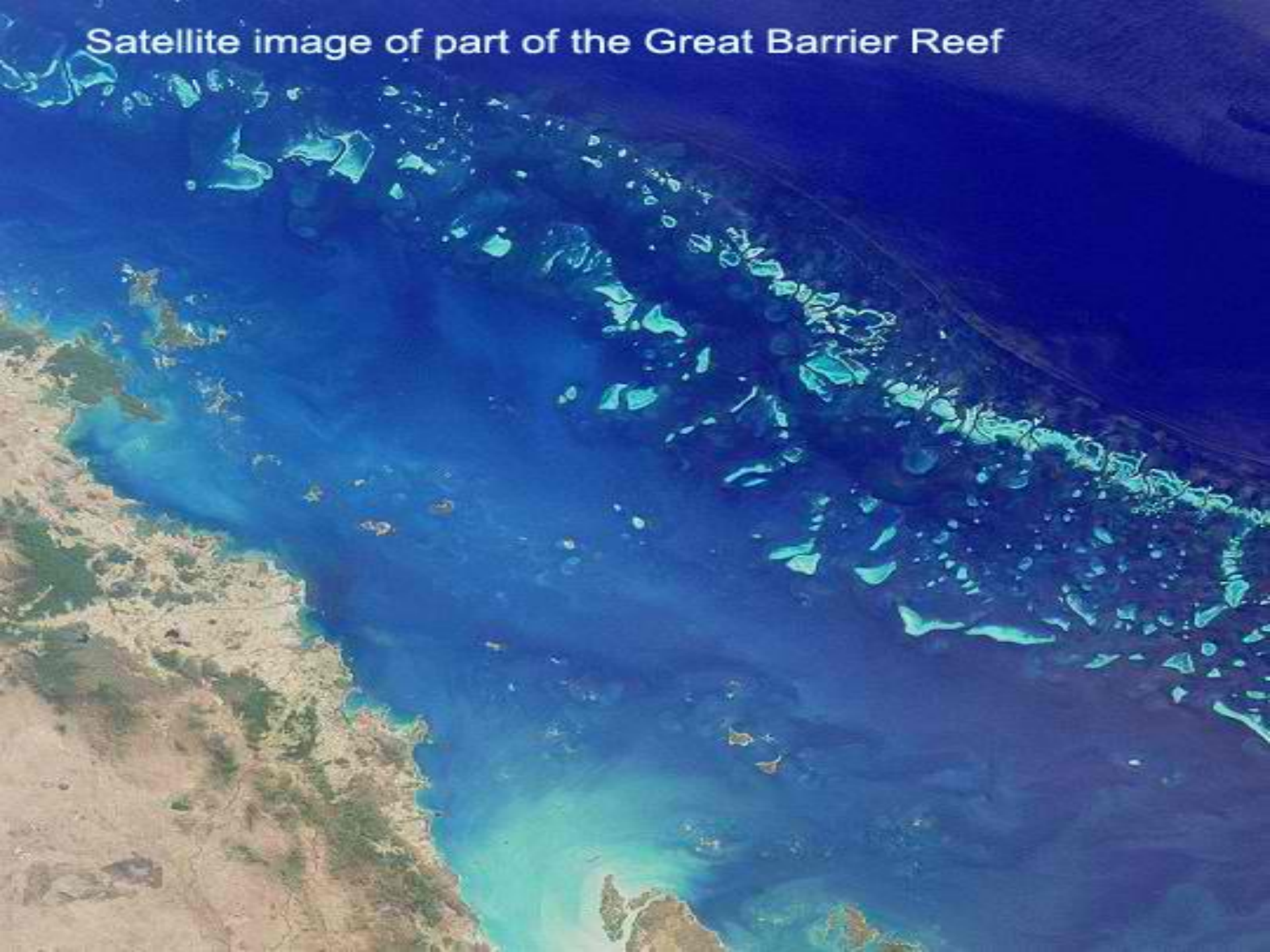








Satellite image of part of the Great Barrier Reef







Malé, the capital of the Maldives

Beautiful coral reefs of Jamaica





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