

<i>Taxon (plural taxa)</i>	Taxonomic group of any rank, such as a species, genus, family or class; an organism contained in such a group.
<i>Taxonomy</i>	The theory and practice of describing, naming and classifying organisms; or classification by tightly defined categories of material culture.
<i>Thematic framework</i>	Set of themes and sub themes relating to a subject or activity that provide a framework for analysing heritage items. It is used in a thematic study to aid critical analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of collections. The thematic framework may be derived from the contextual history, a heritage study where the subject is a regional survey, or from state or national frameworks developed by heritage agencies.
<i>Thematic study</i>	Survey of heritage items related to a particular theme or subject, designed to develop an understanding of the significant items, collections or heritage places associated with the theme. A thematic study establishes the significance of key items, identifies priorities for conservation action and strategic planning, and helps to improve access and interpretation.
<i>Threshold</i>	Point at which an item is either included or excluded from listing on a heritage register, based on assessment of its significance. Thresholds may be set by inclusion and exclusion guidelines for each criterion. The concept has evolved from heritage place assessment.
<i>Type specimen</i>	A designated specimen of a taxon to which its name is permanently attached, and on which the description that satisfies the requirements of valid publication is based.
<i>Vernacular</i>	Traditional cultural expression, unschooled.

Acronyms

AIATSIS	Australian Institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies
AMOL	Former Australian Museums (and Galleries) On-Line Now see Collections Australia Network, CAN, at < http://www.collectionsaustralia.net >
ANMM	Australian National Maritime Museum
ANU	Australian National University
Australia ICOMOS	Australian National Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites
CAN	Collections Australia Network
CCA	Collections Council of Australia
DNC	Distributed National Collection
HCC	Heritage Collections Council
ICOM	International Council of Museums
ICOMOS	International Council on Monuments and Sites
NGA	National Gallery of Australia
PMCH	Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage
TMAG	Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery
UNESCO	United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation