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In the beginning the Earth was barren and flat. Nothing grew. Nothing moved. It was dark. All the birds, animals and reptiles were asleep under the ground.



2 hands, circles on back

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One day the Rainbow Serpent woke up and began to look around. Wherever she crawled she left a winding track. Wherever she slept she left a huge hollow in the ground.



I hand up then



I hand down +
man nd.

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After a while it got lonely so the Rainbow Serpent decided to wake up the other creatures. The big-bellied frogs were the first to emerge. Their stomachs were full of water they had stored.



2 hand pat then

1 small circle
1 medium circle
1 large circle

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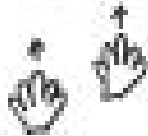
The frogs looked so funny that the Rainbow Serpent tickled them with her tongue. They laughed so much that all the water inside them started to rush out. It filled the tracks and hollows left by the Rainbow Serpent. This is how the lakes, rivers and seas were first formed.



tickle neck then sweep down heads
shoulders + arms

5

After all the creatures had woken up and come out from under the ground, they all lived happily together. But then things started to go wrong and they began to argue and fight.



hands walk
up back

then



make a
cross

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Emu and Eagle had an argument. Eagle took one of Emu's eggs and threw it up into the sky where it burst into flames. And so the Sun came into being.



egg break on
head + down
shoulders

then



sun and
rays on back

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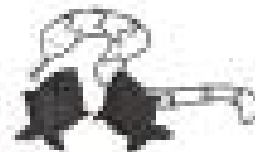
On other occasions when creatures misbehaved themselves
Rainbow Serpent would slither up and swallow them. She
spit out their bones and made hills and mountains of them



slither up spine then sweep out

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After a while, Rainbow Serpent could stand it no longer. She
called all the creatures together and gave them some laws to
help them all live together in peace.



2 hands on forehead, stroke
down shoulders and arms