## **Dreamtime Stories versus The Dreaming**

**The Dreamtime** is a period of time that the natural environment was shaped and humanised by the actions of Ancestor Beings. The Dreamtime is the Aboriginal understanding of the world, of it's creation, and it's great stories. These stories have existed for thousands of years.

Aboriginal storytellers use **The Dreaming** as a way of describing their stories and their oral history. It is not considered something that simply occurred in the past, it is continually occurring and is ever-present in the culture.

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