



What If Discussion Cards

This set of cards has been designed to help you generate discussion and critical thinking within your class for each of the Australian Curriculum HASS topics.

Discussion that is topic focused and well facilitated is an excellent way to encourage students to broaden their views on topics, develop the skills to debate and justify their opinions and support these with evidence. Discussion encourages students to gain a deeper understanding of an issue or topic and highlights the importance of forming views and opinions that come from their own understanding and reasoning rather than following along. These skills are essential in today's world which is overrun with information and demands that we develop students to be discerning and able to think critically.

These cards can be used at all stages in the learning journey. Use them to check prior knowledge or to review the previous lesson. They could also be useful as essay prompts for assessment at the end of a unit.



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What If?

What if we didn't use money to get goods and services? How would we trade? Is this a good idea?

Brainstorm all the possibilities (good and bad) and write them all down. If you have any questions write them down too.

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What If?

What if we couldn't grow food in Australia?

Brainstorm all the possibilities (good and bad) and write them all down. If you have any questions write them down too.

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What If?

What if natural resources like gas, water and timber weren't managed?

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What If?

What if the world ran out of natural resources?

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What If?

What if all the shops had to close?

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What If?

What if Australia didn't allow any products to be imported from overseas?

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What If?

What if Australia relied on other countries for all goods and services?

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What If?

What if Australia didn't export any products overseas?

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What If?

What if we could only buy items online instead of going to the shops?

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What If?

What if there was no online shopping?

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What If?

What if people didn't get paid in money but received food and groceries instead?

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What If?

What if businesses weren't allowed to make profits?

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We know you're busy so we've created a huge range of resources and lesson plans to help you plan and teach your Business and Economics Unit. Click on the image below to find out more information about any of these resources.



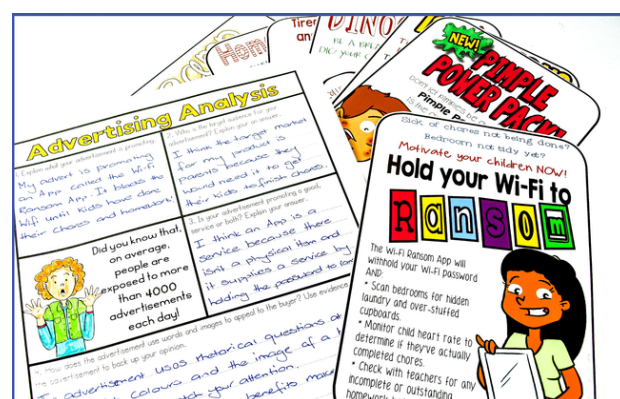
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Consumers, Goods and Services



Being an Informed Consumer

Meet The Author

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Is this you?



- I love teaching upper primary students. They can connect with topics with insight and maturity. I even love their sassy attitude.
- I'm always pressed for time. I'm flat out and never have time for myself and my family. I want something to take some pressure off!
- The Australian Curriculum has some really important topics for upper primary students but they can be so boring!
- I want resources that meet my planning requirements but are fun and engaging for my students. Is that so hard?

We hear you! That's why we've created resources, just like this one, for Australian upper primary teachers.

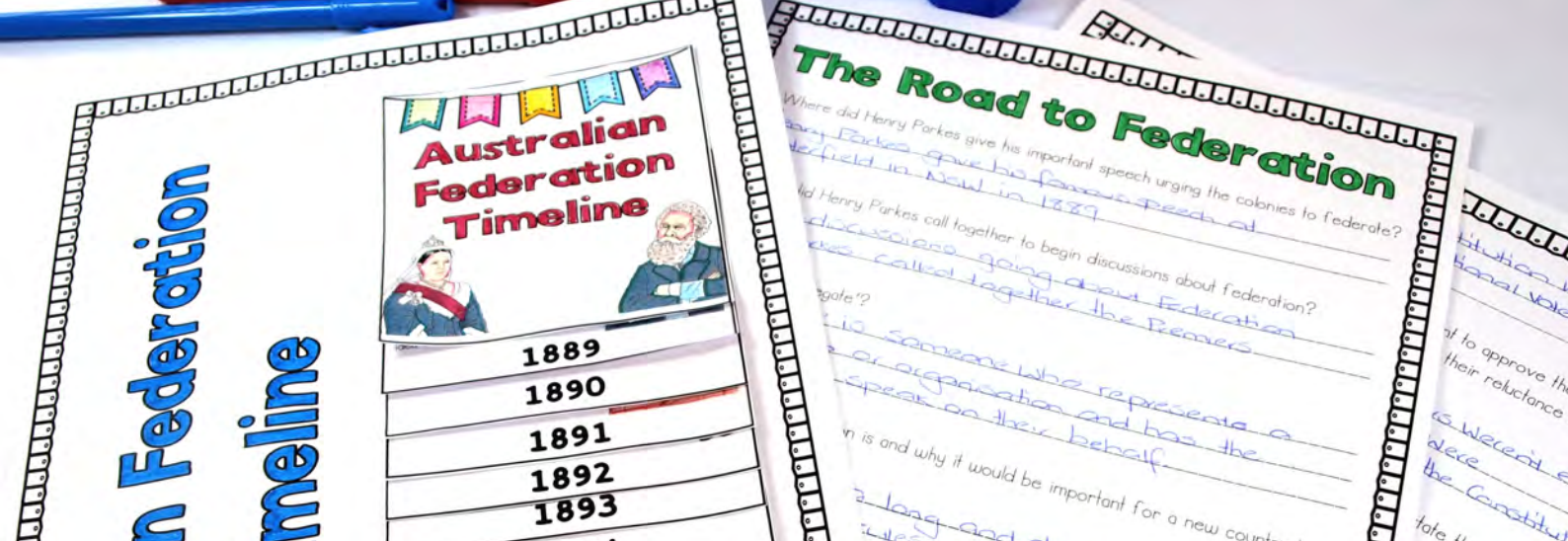
Our mission is pretty straight forward:

- ✓ We want teachers to have access to curriculum aligned resources that truly engage students.
- ✓ We want teachers to feel confident they've got their planning and lessons covered so they can stress less and enjoy teaching more.
- ✓ We want to liven up those dry and often complicated topics for both teachers and students.
- ✓ We want the big kids to have hands-on and interactive resources that are loaded with learning because the big kids should have fun learning too!

We hope this resource ticks all those boxes for you! If you'd like to keep up to date with our latest resources and updates click the links to follow us on your favourite social media platform.

Happy Teaching
Amy





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