

# Questions for discussion

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## **Revisiting Nepal**

- 1. Before you watch the *Revisiting Nepal* story, record what you know about the recent earthquake in Nepal.
- 2. Discuss the *Revisiting Nepal* story with another student. Record the main points of your discussion.
- 3. Describe what happened to Ishy when the first earthquake hit Nepal.
- 4. Why did Ishy and the kids have to move after the second earthquake hit?
- 5. What sorts of things do the people in Nepal need?
- 6. How are aid groups helping people affected by the earthquake?
- 7. Why is taking care of people's mental health important?
- 8. What are aid workers doing to help kids recover?
- 9. What responsibilities does Australia have to help people in other countries affected by disasters?
- 10. How did this story make you feel?

Check out the BtN Revisiting Nepal resource on the Teachers page.

If you're upset by the news, visit the Upsetting News page on the BtN website.

#### El Niño

- 1. Briefly summarise the *El Niño* story.
- 2. What are the two major weather patterns in the Pacific Ocean?
- 3. What do La Niña and El Niño mean in Spanish?
- 4. Which weather pattern has been affecting Australia since 2010?
- 5. Describe the weather when La Niña is about.
- 6. How will El Niño change the weather patterns in Australia?
- 7. El Niño was partly responsible for the \_\_\_\_\_ across Australia during the early 2000s.
- 8. What impact did it have on farmers in Australia?
- 9. El Niño doesn't mean we definitely will experience drought. True or false.
- 10. What did you learn watching the *El Niño* story?

Do the El Niño quiz on the BtN website

#### **Battery Breakthrough**

- 1. What was the main point of the *Battery Breakthrough* story?
- 2. Most of our energy comes from burning...
- 3. What are renewable energies? Give an example.



- 4. What is the problem with storing solar energy?
- 5. What is the solution?
- 6. Use words or pictures to describe how batteries work.
- 7. What are some problems with the current batteries?
- 8. What are the advantages of the new batteries that are charged using electricity generated from solar panels?
- 9. Why could the new battery change the way we generate power?
- 10. What do you think is the future of renewable energies? Explain your answer.

# Hip Hop Influence

- 1. Think of three words you associate with hip hop music.
- 2. What do the kids in the hip hop story like to rap about?
- 3. Why do they like hip hop music?
- 4. A recent study found that hip hop...
- 5. How did they analyse the songs?
- 6. What significant thing happened in 1991?
- 7. When did hip hop start?
- 8. Name an Australian hip hop band or artist.
- 9. Do you like hip hop music? Why or why not?
- 10. Do you think hip hop is the most influential music genre in Australia? Explain your answer.

Vote in the Behind the News online poll.

Check out the BtN Hip Hop Influence resource on the Teachers page.

### The Cardboard Kid

- 1. How did the idea of Caine's arcade come about?
- 2. What was the first game that Caine made?
- 3. Describe the arcade he created.
- 4. Which famous person visited Caine's arcade?
- 5. How has Caine's idea inspired other kids around the world?
- 6. What are the kids making as part of the Come Out Kids Festival?
- 7. What do kids say are the benefits of creating things using cardboard boxes?
- 8. What would you create using cardboard boxes? Briefly explain your design using words or drawings.
- 9. How is creativity and imagination an important part of the Cardboard Challenge?
- 10. What did you like about the Cardboard Kid story?

Find out more about the Global Cardboard Challenge.

