

# Questions for discussion

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### Voting Age

- 1. Discuss the issues raised in the *Voting Age* story with another student.
- 2. Which politician has suggested that the voting age be lowered?
- 3. At what age does he think young people should be allowed to vote?
- 4. Complete the following sentence: When you turn sixteen, you can...
- 5. Currently, how old do you have to be to vote?
  - a. 17
  - b. 18
  - c. 21
- 6. Why does Bill Shorten think it's a good idea to let younger people vote in elections?
- 7. The Electoral Commission says that 400,000 18-24 year olds didn't enrol to vole in the last Federal Election. True or false?
- 8. Which countries allow 16 year olds to vote?
- 9. Why are some people against the idea of allowing 16 and 17 year olds to vote?
- 10. Do you think the voting age should be lowered to 16? Explain your answer.

Vote in the Behind the News online poll

## One Child Policy

- 1. What was the main point of the BtN story?
- 2. When did China introduce the 'one child policy'?
- 3. Why was it introduced?
- 4. What was the population of China by the late 1970s?
  - a. 200 million people
  - b. 730 million people
  - c. 950 million people
- 5. How were families punished if they had more than one child?
- 6. Why did many people think the one child policy was controversial?
- 7. Some people say that the policy has caused some problems. Give one example.
- 8. What has the Chinese Government recently announced?
- 9. Why have they changed the policy?
- 10. What do you understand more clearly since watching the BtN story?

Do the quiz on the BtN website

### Remembering WWI

- 1. Before you watch the BtN story, record what you know about Remembrance Day.
- 2. Complete the following sentence: Remembrance Day marks the end of...
- 3. Where did Tiffany and Lily go for Anzac Day? Locate using Google Maps.



- 4. Why is Remembrance Day important to Tiffany?
- 5. Why was the trip to Gallipoli important to Lily?
- 6. Where was the dawn service held?
- 7. Who was James Martin?
- 8. What happens at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month?
- 9. How has the trip to Gallipoli changed Tiffany and Lily's understanding of Remembrance Day?
- 10. How do you remember those who fought in the war?

Check out the Remembering WWI resource on the Teachers page

## **Egypt Exploration**

- 1. Summarise the *Egypt Exploration* story.
- 2. How long ago were the pyramids built?
- 3. Why were the pyramids built?
- 4. What valuable objects were kept inside the pyramids?
- 5. Describe the inside of a pyramid.
- 6. What are researchers using to find out more about the pyramids?
- 7. What are they hoping to discover?
- 8. The great pyramid of Giza is made up of more than \_\_\_\_\_million blocks.
- 9. Illustrate an aspect of the Egyptian Exploration story.
- 10. What was surprising about this story?

Check out the Egypt Exploration resource on the Teachers page

#### Scrabble Stars

- 1. Working in pairs, record what you know about the game of Scrabble.
- 2. Where was the World Youth Scrabble competition held?
- 3. Briefly describe the game of Scrabble.
- 4. How old was Radheya when he started playing Scrabble?
- 5. What place did Radheya come in the world championships?
- 6. What does it take to be really good at Scrabble?
- 7. Why are more words being included in the game?
- 8. Give an example of a word that's been added to the official Scrabble word list.
- 9. What skills do you think are needed to play Scrabble?
- 10. Name three facts you learnt watching this story.

Write a message about the story and post it in the comments section on the story page

