

Questions for discussion

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Tax Change

- 1. What type of tax does the BtN story explain?
- 2. What sort of things does income tax pay for?
- 3. When was nation-wide income tax first introduced?
- 4. Why was it introduced?
- 5. How did income tax in Australia change in the 1940s?
- 6. A lot of income tax in the 1940s was used to pay for
- 7. What changes to income tax does the Prime Minister want to make?
- 8. Why do some people like the idea of the states having more control of income taxes?
- 9. Why are some people against the idea?
- 10. What did the state and territory governments decide?

Port Arthur Anniversary

- 1. Hold a class discussion about the BtN *Port Arthur Anniversary* story. What were the main points of the discussion?
- 2. Where is Port Arthur? Locate using Google Maps.
- 3. Briefly explain what happened at Port Arthur in 1996.
- 4. Who was the Prime Minister of Australia at the time?
- 5. What question about gun control did the events at Port Arthur raise?
- 6. What was gun ownership like in Australia before the events at Port Arthur?
- 7. After the Port Arthur massacre, the government brought in a tough firearms program. What were the main points of the program?
- 8. What impact did the new gun laws have?
- 9. The success of Australia's gun laws has been used as an example in other parts of the world. True or false?
- 10. How did this story make you feel?

Technology Challenge

- 1. Briefly summarise the *Technology Challenge* story.
- 2. What percentage of students at the school use technology for more than 4 hours every day?
- 3. How long was the technology challenge?
- 4. Explain what the challenge was for the kids in each group.
- 5. Before starting the challenge, how did the kids in the 'no technology' group feel?
- 6. How did the students feel after the challenge?
- 7. How would you feel about going without technology for 3 days? Explain your answer.
- 8. About how much time each day do you use technology?
- 9. What was surprising about this story?
- 10. What changes to your own technology use would you make after watching this story?



Head to the BtN website and complete the short technology survey. We'll bring you the results from this nationwide survey next term.



Refugee Sport

- 1. What was the main point of the Refugee Sport story?
- 2. Where do the kids in the BtN story live?
- 3. Which team is Alex Scott the captain of?
- 4. Which charity is involved in the soccer program?
- 5. Why was the program set up?
- 6. About how many people have been forced to leave their homes to escape fighting in Iraq?
 - a. 1.1 million
 - b. 2.2 million
 - c. 3.3 million
- 7. What proportion of people forced to leave their home are kids?
- 8. What valuable skills does the soccer program give the kids in the refugee camp?
- 9. What impact has the soccer program had on Yasmine's life?
- 10. What do you understand more clearly since watching the BtN story?



