

Chinese migration in the 19th century

Australian Curriculum: Stage 5 – The Making of the Modern World – Depth Study 2 (Australia and Asia) – Making a Nation

Australia Curriculum - Content

ACDSEH089: The experiences of non-Europeans in Australia prior to the 1900s

Australian Curriculum – Historical Skills

ACHHS166: Identify and select different kinds of questions about the past to inform historical inquiry

ACHHS167: Evaluate and enhance these questions

ACHHS170: Process and synthesise information from a range of sources for use as evidence in an historical argument

ACHHS172: Identify and analyse the perspectives of people from the past

NSW Syllabus: Stage 5 – Depth Study 2: Australia and Asia – Topic 2A Making a Nation

NSW Syllabus - Outcomes

HT5-7: Explains different contexts, perspectives and interpretations of the modern world and Australia

Assumed Knowledge



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N/A

Key Inquiry Questions

What characterised the experience/s of migration to Australia for Chinese people in the 19th century?

Time:	Activity overview:	Resources:
<p>Approx 40 mins lesson time + homework time + 20 mins follow-up discussion in class</p>	<p>Students complete the worksheet “19th century Chinese migration”. (The worksheet involves individual work and work in pairs, analysing sources, constructing arguments and posing questions for further research.)</p> <p>The teacher writes the following heading and questions on the board, and facilitates a class-wide discussion:</p> <p>CHINESE MIGRATION PRE-1900</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we know what happened? • What evidence is left? • What is fact? • What is fiction? • Is there more than one perspective to examine? • What were the consequences of Chinese migration prior to the 1900s? • Were the consequences the same for everyone? • How can these different experiences of migration for Chinese people be explained? • How have these past events shaped Australia as it is today? 	<p>Dictionary of Sydney articles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chinese - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/entry/chinese • Quong Tart - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/43548 <p>Dictionary of Sydney images:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Outside, sir! Outside’ cartoon from London Punch, 2 June 1888 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/21049 • The Mongolian Octopus: his grip on Australia 1886 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/19191 • Chinese laundry, Surry Hills 1880 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/18903 • Quong Tart c1881-1889 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/25877 • Bon voyage letter to Tart family from employees, 20 April 1894 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/43635 • Letter of introduction for Quong Tart, from Sir Henry Parkes 1894 - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/43636 <p>Other resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th century Chinese migration worksheet • Stereotyping the Chinese article from SBS - http://www.sbs.com.au/gold/story.php?storyid=47 • Anti-Chinese riots and rorts article from SBS - http://www.sbs.com.au/gold/story.php?storyid=56 • Fear of the Chinese article from SBS - http://www.sbs.com.au/gold/story.php?storyid=46#296



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