

Propaganda

Australian Curriculum: Stage 5 – The Making of the Modern World – Depth Study 3 (World War I)

Australian Curriculum - Content

ACDSEH096: The impact of World War I, with a particular emphasis on Australia (such as the use of propaganda to influence civilian population, the changing role of women, the conscription debate)

Australian Curriculum – Historical Skills

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

NSW Syllabus: Stage 5 – The Making of the Modern World – Core Study – Depth Study 3: Australians at War: World Wars I and II (1914-1918, 1939 – 1945)

NSW Syllabus – Outcomes

HT5-4: Explains and analyses the causes and effects of events and developments in the modern world and Australia

HT5-5: Identifies and evaluates the usefulness of sources in the historical inquiry process

Assumed knowledge

ACDSEH021: An overview of the causes of WWI and the reasons why men enlisted to fight in the war.

Key Inquiry Questions

How was propaganda used to influence the civilian population during WWI?

Time:	Activity overview:	Resources:
Approx 40m	<p>Students work in pairs, with one image from the Dictionary of Sydney per pair. Students complete a source analysis, using the worksheet to guide them.</p> <p>Students are then asked to produce a WWI propaganda poster of their own. They should focus on one of the key reasons for why propaganda posters were produced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to recruit men to join the army - to recruit women to work to support the cause (by either encouraging “their” men to go, or going to work) - to encourage people to save food - to keep morale high - to justify fighting the enemy 	<p>Dictionary of Sydney articles (background reading):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruiting for World War I http://dictionaryofsydney.org/entry/recruiting_for_world_war_i • Ultimo Presbyterian Church Roll of Honour http://dictionaryofsydney.org/entry/ultimo_presbyterian_church_roll_of_honour <p>Dictionary of Sydney images:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'God bless dear Daddy who is fighting the Hun and send him Help' 1918 http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/71610 • A Gas Attack, February 1916 http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/113226 • Am I Keeping Him Back? Cover of the Sydney Mail 10 November 1915 http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/113402 • To Arms! http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/113323 • To the women of Australia 1914-1918 http://dictionaryofsydney.org/image/113129 • Your King and Country Want You: A Woman's Recruiting Song' - http://dictionaryofsydney.org/entry/ultimo_presbyterian_church_roll_of_honour <p>See also full song with lyrics at State Library of NSW - http://library.sl.nsw.gov.au/record=b1252601~S2</p>