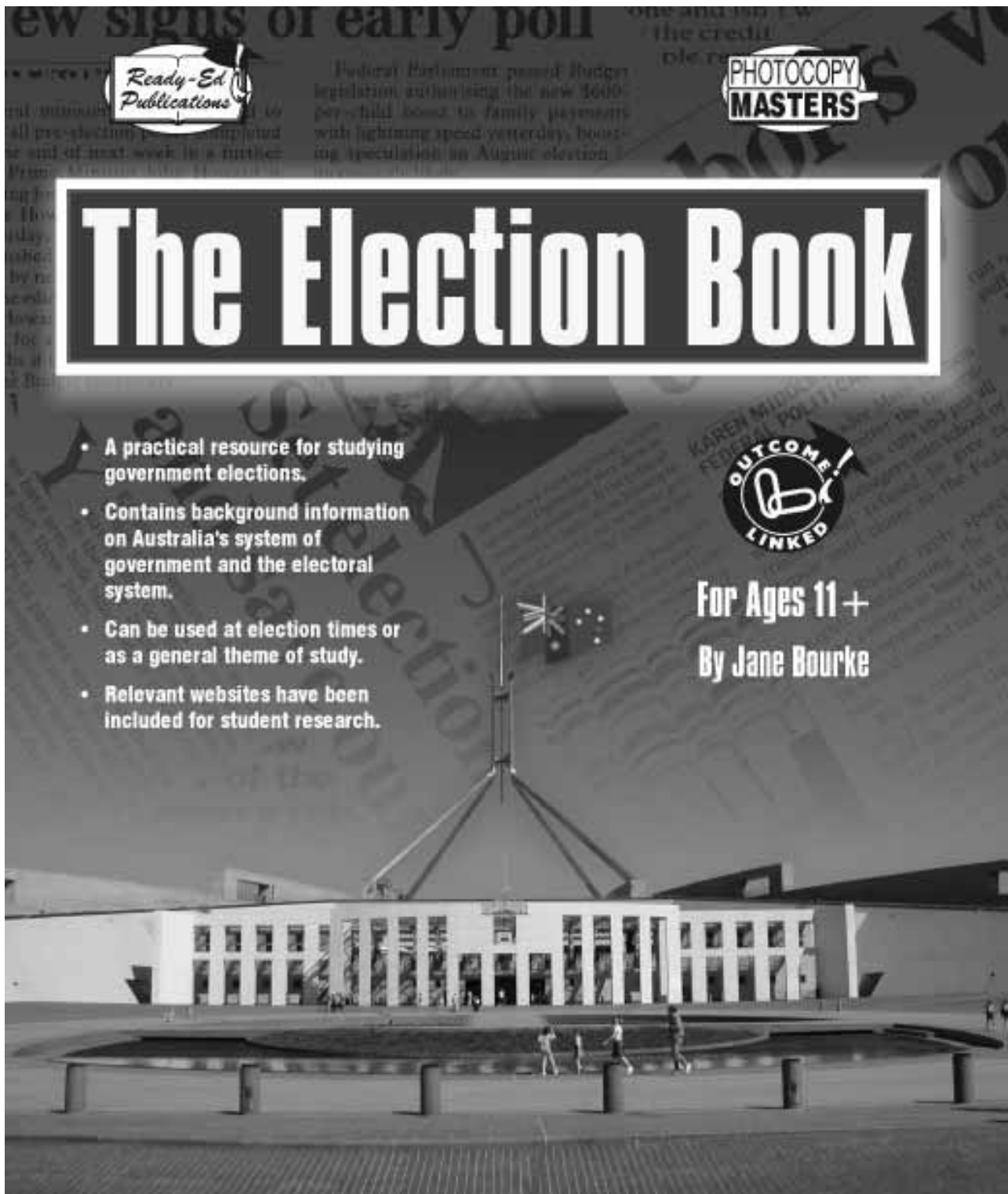


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Prime Ministers of Australia

Time in Office

Sir Edmund Barton, PC, GCMG, KC

Political Party: Protectionist Party

2 years, 8 months, 24 days

1 January 1901 - 24 September 1903

Alfred Deakin

Political Party: Protectionist Party

7 months, 4 days

24 September 1903 - 27 April 1904

John Christian Watson

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

3 months, 21 days

27 April 1904 - 17 August 1904

George Houstoun Reid (later Sir George), PC, KC

Political Party: Free Trade

10 months, 18 days

18 August 1904 - 5 July 1905

Alfred Deakin

Political Party: Protectionist Party

3 years, 4 months, 9 days

5 July 1905 - 13 November 1908

Andrew Fisher

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

6 months, 21 days

13 November 1908 - 2 June 1909

Alfred Deakin

Political Party: Protectionist Party

10 months, 28 days

2 June 1909 - 29 April 1910

Andrew Fisher

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

3 years, 1 month, 26 days

29 April 1910 - 24 June 1913

Joseph Cook (later Sir Joseph)

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

1 year, 2 months, 25 days

24 June 1913 - 17 September 1914

Andrew Fisher

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

1 year, 1 month, 11 days

17 September 1914 - 27 October 1915

William Morris Hughes

Political Party: Australian Labor Party; Nationalist Party from 1917

7 years, 1 month, 14 days

27 October 1915 - 9 February 1923

Stanley Melbourne Bruce, PC, CH, MC

Political Party: Nationalist Party

6 years, 8 months, 14 days

9 February 1923 - 22 October 1929

James Henry Scullin, PC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

2 years, 2 months, 16 days

22 October 1929 - 6 January 1932

Joseph Aloysius Lyons, PC, CH

Political Party: United Australia Party

7 years, 3 months, 2 days

6 January 1932 - 7 April 1939

Sir Earle Christmas Grafton Page, PC, GCMG

Political Party: Australian Country Party

20 days

7 April 1939 - 26 April 1939

Robert Gordon Menzies, PC, KC

Political Party: United Australia Party

2 years, 4 months, 4 days

26 April 1939 - 29 August 1941

Arthur William Fadden (later Sir Arthur)

Political Party: Country Party

1 month, 9 days

29 August 1941 - 7 October 1941

John Curtin, PC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

3 years, 8 months, 29 days

7 October 1941 - 5 July 1945

Francis Michael Forde, PC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

8 days

6 July 1945 - 13 July 1945

Joseph Benedict Chifley, PC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

4 years, 5 months, 7 days

13 July 1945 - 17 December 1949

Robert Gordon Menzies (later Sir Robert), PC, KC

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

16 years, 1 month, 8 days

19 December 1949 - 26 January 1966

Harold Edward Holt, PC, CH

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

1 year, 10 months, 23 days

26 January 1966 - 19 December 1967

John McEwen (later Sir John), PC

Political Party: Country Party

23 days

19 December 1967 - 10 January 1968

John Grey Gorton, PC

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

3 years, 2 months

10 January 1968 - 10 March 1971

William McMahon (later Sir William), PC, CH

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

1 year, 8 months, 25 days

10 March 1971 - 5 December 1972

Edward Gough Whitlam, QC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

2 years, 11 months, 7 days

5 December 1972 - 11 November 1975

John Malcolm Fraser, PC, CH

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

7 years, 4 months

11 November 1975 - 11 March 1983

Robert James Lee Hawke, AC

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

8 years, 9 months, 10 days

11 March 1983 - 20 December 1991

Paul John Keating

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

4 years, 2 months, 20 days

20 December 1991 - 11 March 1996

John Winston Howard

Political Party: Liberal Party of Australia

10 years, 8 months, 22 days

11 March 1996 - 3 December 2007

Kevin Michael Rudd

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

2 years, 7 months, 7 days

3 December 2007 - 24 June 2010

Julia Eileen Gillard

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

3 years, 0 months, 2 days

24 June 2010 - 26 June 2013

Kevin Michael Rudd

Political Party: Australian Labor Party

???

27 June 2013 - ?? (Current at time of writing)

Prime Ministers of Australia

Setting the Scene:

Study the **Prime Ministers of Australia** Information Sheet. Read about past prime ministers of our country.

Website:

► <http://primeministers.naa.gov.au/>

Your Task:

Match up the following sentence beginnings with the correct ending.

Beginnings

Endings

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. Sir Edmund Barton ... | a. ... stood for the Protectionist Party. |
| 2. Alfred Deakin was prime minister for a total of ... | b. ... Robert Gordon Menzies. |
| 3. The first Australian Labor prime minister was ... | c. ... was the first prime minister of Australia. |
| 4. Joseph Aloysius Lyons belonged to the ... | d. ... United Australia Party. |
| 5. Andrew Fisher first served as prime minister on ... | e. ... of three separate terms. |
| 6. Sir Edmund Barton and Alfred Deakin both ... | f. ... 3 years, 8 months, and 29 days. |
| 7. William Morris Hughes changed from ... | g. ... 8 days
(by Francis Michael Forde in 1945). |
| 8. In November 1976, the prime minister was ... | h. ... December 1991 to March 1996. |
| 9. The longest serving prime minister was ... | i. ... 13 November, 1908. |
| 10. The shortest term served as prime minister was ... | j. ... James Henry Scullin. |
| 11. John Curtin served as prime minister for ... | k. ... Was John Christian Watson. |
| 12. Prime ministers Page, Forde and McEwen all ... | l. ... Harold Holt. |
| 13. Malcolm Fraser was prime minister from ... | m. ... the ALP to the Nationalist Party in 1917. |
| 14. In January 1931, the prime minister was ... | n. ... served less than a month as prime minister. |
| 15. Paul Keating was prime minister from ... | o. ... November 1975 until March 1983. |

RELATED LEARNING OUTCOME: Students will match up written information based on their knowledge of Australian prime ministers.

Past Prime Ministers

Setting the Scene:

Go back in time and find a prime minister that you would like to have been given the opportunity to interview. Read as many articles as you can about this politician and be sure to research their career using the website below.

Website:

► <http://primeministers.naa.gov.au/>

Your Task:

You wish has been granted and you have been given an exclusive interview with this party leader. To make sure you know your facts, complete the brief below adding as much information as you can. Prepare a list of six questions that you will ask. Your questions must be relevant to this person and should make mention of some of the policies that this particular party leader stood for.

Name of prime minister: _____

Leader of: _____

Years in office: _____

Special achievements: _____

(E.g. they may have held office more than once.)

Questions

1. _____

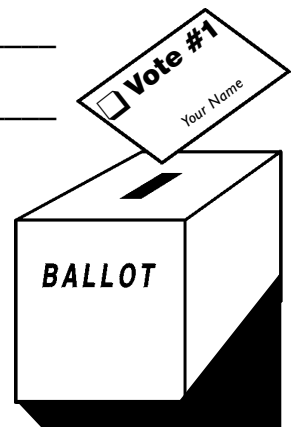
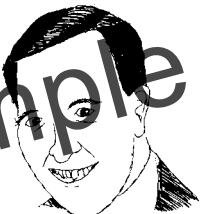
2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____



RELATED LEARNING OUTCOME: Students will research and discuss the achievements of a past Australian prime minister.



About the Election

Classroom Ideas

Many of the activity sheets in this section can be used more than once, with certain sheets acting as a template for work on a particular party or candidate.

Current Campaigns

Encourage students to view as much of the political advertising on television or in newspapers as they can. Students can also cut articles of interest out of the newspapers and keep a watch on advertising material that is delivered to their household in the post. The "Current Campaigns" (see Page 37) can be used to describe each political party's election campaign. Students can compare the campaigns for each party and comment on who is using their campaign to attack other political parties and who is using their campaign to promote information about actual new policies. Extension ideas:

- How successful was each campaign?
- Who would the students vote for and why?
- What bias is evident in the campaigns?
- What things have been borrowed from previous campaigns?

► www.australianpolitics.com/elections/2001/memories/ - Election 2001 Memories.

Candidate Profile

Students can complete this activity for a number of candidates, such as the candidates in their electorate, candidates in other states, well-known candidates (those that may already be members of parliament) and so on.

Advertising

Students to create a file of advertising material for a particular party. Divide class into approximately six groups with each group to be designated a particular party. Allocate one group with the task of finding information out about independent candidates and current independent members of parliament. Students to present information in a show-and-tell session.

Include:

Australian Democrats

► www.democrats.org.au/

Australian Greens

► www.greens.org.au/

Australian Labor Party

► www.alp.org.au/

Liberal Party of Australia

► www.liberal.org.au/

National Party of Australia

► www.nationals.org.au/

One Nation

► www.onenation.com.au/

Palmer United Party

► www.palmerunited.com

Information about some independent candidates can be found on the Internet:

► dir.yahoo.com/government/politics/elections/by_region/countries/australia/complete_list/

Close seats

Following the election, ask students to keep watch for news on seats where the count is depending on the postal and absentee votes to arrive.

New Government

Organise to record (on video) the victory and defeat speeches by the current leaders of the parties. If there is a new party elected to government, discuss the impact this change may have.

Ask students to pay attention to the news about election promises. If possible, revisit this activity in a few months time to see what changes have occurred.

Your Electorate

Setting the Scene:

Read the **Government of Australia** Information Sheet. Study your booklet on the political parties and conduct further research using the Internet references included in this book. Ask your teacher for a copy of relevant websites listed on Page 6 or view them at the Election site below. This will give you information about your electorate.

Website:

► <http://apps.aec.gov.au/esearch/>

Your Task:

For election purposes Australia is divided into sections known as electorates or divisions. Fill out the details for your electorate, based on your Internet research. First, you will need to work out which electorate you belong to based on the suburb in which you live. At the website above bring up the map of your electorate. In the box below, draw or trace the map and include as much detail as possible. Carefully label the places on your map.

Electorate Profile

Your state: _____

Your suburb: _____

Name of electorate: _____

Who / what is this electorate named after? _____

Area of electorate: _____

(in square kilometres)

Suburbs / towns in this electorate: _____

When was this electorate first proclaimed? _____

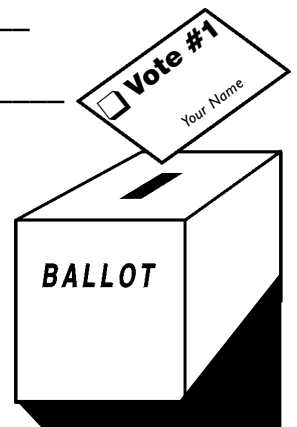
Who is the current member for this electorate? _____

What party does this person stand for? _____

How many people are enrolled to vote in this electorate? _____

Other interesting features about this electorate: _____

Map of electorate:



RELATED LEARNING OUTCOME: Students will use research skills to locate information about their local electorate (division).