



F-10 Humanities and Social Sciences: Key ideas – Subject/sub-strand illustrations

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	History	Geography	Civics and citizenship	Economics and business	
Who we are, who came before us, and traditions and values that have shaped societies	Family, local and Australian history; and celebrations and commemoration The longevity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' histories and cultures The legacy of Ancient Greece and Ancient Rome	The influence of culture on the organisation of places, and their representations Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' special connections to Country/Place The role of people's environmental worldviews in shaping societies	The influence of social media in shaping identities and attitudes to diversity The shared values of Australian Citizenship The values that underpin Australia's system of government (including British and American influences and a Christian heritage)	The contribution of work to people's sense of identity The 'market system' as a defining feature of Australia's economy Influences on consumer and financial choices	
How societies and economies operate and how they are changing over time	The social structure of ancient societies and their legacy The impact of the significant periods on societies (Industrial Revolution, Renaissance, Scientific Revolution, Enlightenment, British imperialism, nationalism and globalisation) The development of democracy in Australia	The human alteration of environments The role of government and non-government organisations in improving human wellbeing and planning for sustainable futures Migration and the increasing concentration of people in urban areas	The operation of the three levels of government and Australia's legal system in Australia The development of self-government in Australia How governments respond to social and economic change	The influence of government on the ways markets operate in Australia The shifting importance of different sectors in the Australian economy How societies use limited resources for changing needs and wants now and in the future	
The ways people, places, ideas and events are perceived and connected	Different perspectives on the arrival of the First Fleet and the colonial presence The causes of and relationship between events such as World War I, World War II and the Cold War Global influences on Australian culture	People's perceptions of places and how these influence their connections to different places How human and natural systems are connected and interdependent How places in Australia are connected to other places across the world	How groups within society perceive each other and relate to one another The influence of global connectedness and mobility on Australian identity Australians' rights and responsibilities towards each other and Australia's international obligations	The performance of the Australian economy and how this is perceived by different groups How participants in the global economy are interdependent Different ways that entrepreneurs and businesses succeed	





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How people exercise their responsibilities, participate in society and make informed decisions	The development of rights in Australia for women, children, Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander Peoples and other groups The participation of people in human rights and environmental campaigns in Australia The contributions and achievements of individuals and groups to Australia's development	Strategies used to enhance the liveability of places World views about sustainability and environments and how they are expressed The management and planning of Australia's urban future	The role of the electoral and representative systems of government The participation of groups in civic life, such as social, cultural, political and religious groups The importance of active and informed citizenship in decisionmaking and the use of democratic processes	The responsibilities of employers and employees in the workplace How individuals and businesses plan to achieve short- and long-term financial objectives The concept of opportunity cost as a means of making informed decisions about alternative uses of resources	