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Year 6 – Voting and Referendum

ACTIVITY 1 – VOTING RIGHTS

Read the 'Voting Rights' (page 10) section of the fact book and complete the activities below.

1. Why is voting an important part of a democracy?

2. How would not being able to vote impact on a group of people?

3. Create a poster (electronically or on paper) encouraging people to enrol to vote. The poster should include information on how to enrol to vote, how to vote, and the benefits of voting. It should also be visually appealing. The Australian Electoral Commission website contains helpful information <https://www.aec.gov.au/>

ACTIVITY 2 – REFERENDUM

Read the '1967 Referendum' (page 10) section of the fact book and complete the following questions.

1. Why was it important for the federal government, not the states, to have power over Indigenous Australians?

2. What is the purpose of a census? (You may need to complete further research)

3. One of the results of the referendum was that it allowed Indigenous Australians to be counted in the census. Why was this change so important to both Indigenous Australians and the wider population?

