



Spencer Park Primary School History Policy (2013)

The nominal time allocation developed by ACARA agreed to at our school (based on hours per year for a 40 week school year) for the teaching of History is as follows:

		PP	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
hours per school year	History	40	40	40	40	40	40	40

The school has purchased and uses the "Discovering History" resource and all the recommended resources (including sets of **year level readers** for each topic) for the teaching of History.

This resource assists you with:

- the specific historical knowledge that underpins the contents and concepts for the year/ stage you are teaching.
- a clear explanation of how to teach the topic of History effectively using specific historical content, concepts and skills.
- **excellent links to teaching history through the Australian Curriculum English strands : Language, Literature and Literacy.**
- a clear common language
- relevant sources and evidence, and provides the specific questions to ask for each of those sources.
- display ideas, class activities and excursion visits.
- strong links and suggestions for the local history, cross curriculum priorities and general capabilities strand of the curriculum.

This resource also has a free online link available (www.pearsonplaces.com.au). Online content includes: additional student resources, interactive activities, digital versions of the picture/ activity cards and web links.

To access this online link

1. Go to Pearson Place website: www.pearsonplace.com.au
2. Login:
username: SPPS5422
password: SPPS5422
3. Click on the link in the grey toolbar that say "Pearson Toolkit."
4. Then choose "Primary Teacher Productlink."
5. On the following page, choose "Primary History." This will take you to the Discovering History Resources. They are arranged in groups for Lower, Middle and Upper Primary.

Our school's History resources are in **year level tubs** in the Teacher Resources area in the school library. Each tub contains the relevant Discovering History Teaching Resource, and is clearly labelled with the year level and four history topics for each term on the side. **All resources are to remain with the box.** Please accession out the box and return fully complete at the end of the term/ year. If there are any resources (from the Discovering History recommendations), we do not have, please see the school's S&E coordinator. There is a set of local Albany Historical Photographs, sourced from the Western Australian (Albany) Museum's archives. This set is stored in a separate bag above the tubs in the Teacher Resource area. Please accession when taking and replace on the hook when finished with.

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Note: Topics refer to the Learning Sequences as detailed in the Discovering History Teacher Resource Kits.

Year Level	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
PP	My History	My Family	How Families Remember	My Family History
PP/1	My History (P)	How Families Remember (P)	Present and Past Leisure Time (1)	Children's Clothing (1)
1	Present and Past Leisure Time	Present and Past Childhood	School Days	Children's Clothing
1/2	History is All Around Us (2)	Past and Present Childhood (1)	How People Used to Live (2)	School Days (1)
2	History is All Around Us	Preserving the Past	How People Used to Live	Technology and Change
2/3	Preserving the Past (2)	Technology and Change (2)	How Has Our Community Changed (3)	Movers and Shakers (3)
3	Who Are Australia's Indigenous People?	How Has Our Community Changed	Movers and Shakers	Commemorations
4	In the Dreamtime	Who Discovered Australia?	The First Fleet	First Contacts
4/5	In the Dreamtime (4)	The First Fleet (4)	Colonial Life (5)	A Significant Development in the Colonies (5)
5	The Founding of Australian Colonies After 1800	Colonial Life	Changes to the Environment	A Significant Development in the Colonies
5/6	The Founding of Australian Colonies After 1800 (5)	Changes to the Environment (5)	Australia Becomes a Nation (6)	Australia's Changing Society 1900 - 2000 (6)
6	Australia Becomes a Nation	Australia's Changing Society 1900 - 2000	They Came to Australia	Shaping Australian Society