

Exploring Australia's Democracy at Old Parliament House – Teacher's Guide

Use these activity sheets alongside the Exploring Australia's Democracy at Old Parliament House videos created with the incredible team at ABC Education.

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Use this resource to help students reflect on the role of their parliamentary representatives and consider what qualities make a good leader.



As a class watch What is the House of Representatives all about?

Support students to write a speech highlighting the issues that are important to their community. This speech could be delivered in class, at assembly or recoded as a video.



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Congratulations, you've been elected to the House of Representatives and Australia wants to hear what you have to say!

It's time to write your first speech.

Consider: What qualities does a good leader have?

Reflect: What leadership qualities do you possess?

What issues are important to you?





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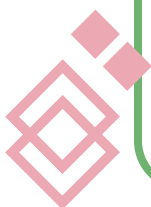
The Members of the House of Representatives have the important job of speaking on behalf of the people in their electorate.

How will you represent the people in your community?

Do some research to consider what issues are effecting your community.

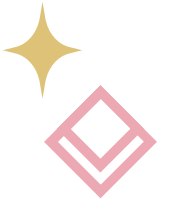
Hint: Have a look at local news sources or volunteering groups in your area

How will you make positive change for your community?



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It's time to write that speech! Use strong persuasive language to give your community the confidence that you will represent them well in parliament!

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