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Migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees - Summary Activities

MYTHS AND FACTS

Read each statement below and circle whether you believe it is a myth or a fact.

Underneath each statement, give a brief explanation of why you think it is a myth or a fact.

1. Asylum seekers are illegal immigrants. MYTH/FACT
2. Australia is being flooded by asylum seekers. MYTH/FACT
3. Asylum seekers who arrive by boat are a threat to national security. MYTH/FACT
4. Refugees don't contribute to Australian society and are a drain on the economy. MYTH/FACT
5. Asylum seekers are queue jumpers. MYTH/FACT
6. Many people seeking asylum in Australia come by plane. MYTH/FACT
7. If someone can afford to pay a people smuggler thousands of dollars to travel to Australia, they cannot be a 'genuine' refugee. MYTH/FACT
8. Asylum seekers are just economic migrants. MYTH/FACT
9. Stopping the boats coming to Australia does not stop people smugglers. MYTH/FACT
10. Refugees and asylum seekers receive similar social security benefits to regular Australians. MYTH/FACT
11. Asylum seekers have a legal right to seek asylum in a safe country. MYTH/FACT

