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### **ACTIVITY 1 – UN DECLARATION**

Look at the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples https://www.humanrights.gov.au/publications/un-declaration-rights-indigenous-peoples-1 and select one article.

1.	Explain	the	meaning	of	the	article	in	vour	own	words.
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2. Has the aim of this article been	achieved in Au	ustralia? If so, e	explain how. If	not, explair
what needs to be done.				

3. How does/o	can this article	help support the	process of red	conciliation?
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#### **ACTIVITY 2 - CURRENT ISSUES**

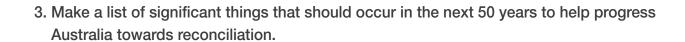
Read the 'Current Issues' (page 21) section of the fact book and complete the activities that follow.

1. Use the table below to analyse the Closing the Gap agenda.

AREA FOR IMPROVEMENT	HAS THERE BEEN ANY PROGRESS? IF SO, WHAT?	WHAT ELSE NEEDS TO BE DONE TO ACHIEVE MORE PROGRESS?
Health and Mortality		
Education		
Employment		

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2.	2. What is the most prevalent form of hon	nelessness	among	Indigenous	Australians?
	Why might this be the case?				



4. Choose one of these things and explain how it will help progress Australia towards reconciliation.

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#### **ACTIVITY 3 - THE STATE OF RECONCILIATION**

The State of Reconciliation in Australia Report

https://www.reconciliation.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/State-of-Reconciliation-Report\_SUMMARY.pdf analyses the country's progress towards Reconciliation.

Read through pages 8-15 of the report. Write an extended response arguing the extent to which you agree with the following statement, using evidence from the report to support your argument.

"While the Reconciliation movement is positive, there is still much work to be done to achieve real Reconciliation with Indigenous Australians."

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### **ACTIVITY 4 - SOCIAL COHESION**

Briefly explain the five aspects of social cohesion identified in the Scanlon Monash Index https://scanlonfoundation.org.au/social-cohesion-pillars/

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Belonging:
Social Justice and Equity:
Participation:
Acceptance and Rejection Legitimacy:
Worth:
When social cohesion isn't present, some members of society experience social isolation.
Referencing the five aspects of social cohesion, plus what you know about Indigenous Australians, explain why Indigenous Australians may experience social isolation in modern Australia.