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The changing patterns of migration to Australia has led to the development of a multicultural nation. Figure 1(page 30) in the fact book shows the countries of birth (by percentage) for the total overseas born population of Australia.

1.	. What is	cultural	heritage?	What	different	thinas	make u	ра	'culture'	?

2. What are the cultural values of Australia?

3. In the 1960's, the birth rate in Australia was 3.5 children per woman. Currently, it is approximately 1.8 children per woman. Should immigration be seen as a solution to the problem of a declining birth rate?

4. Do you think that people who come to Australia from different cultural groups, whether they are migrants or refugees, should be allowed to openly practice their beliefs, languages and traditions? Why/why not?

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You are now going to use De Bono's Six Thinking Hats to analyse multiculturalism in Australia. Look at the table below and complete the tasks for each different coloured hat. Some of the questions may require you to do extra research.

WHITE HAT List two facts about the makeup of Australia's population.	
RED HAT How do you feel about having many different cultures in the country?	
BLACK HAT Are there any negatives to a multicultural society?	
YELLOW HAT What are the positives of a multicultural society?	
GREEN HAT What can we do to help new settlers from different countries to settle into Australia?	
BLUE HAT Overall, is the development of Australia into a multicultural society a positive development? Why/why not?	

Research one of the countries identified in Figure 1 and list some of the ways this country's culture has influenced Australian society.