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New Sections:

In Term 1 we added seven new topics and several new sections to existing topics. Summaries of these new offerings follow.

Note the new Manual Arts topic which can be used to attract your Voc Ed teachers and students to the treasures of your Library! Also note the For Teachers sections that appear at the end of each topic. Teachers can find useful material for classroom use in these sections – not just lesson plans, webquests and worksheets, but also multimedia sites which are excellent for interactive whiteboard presentations.

All the best for another successful term.

New Topics

Religions

Portraits of Jesus: 20th-21st Centuries

Designed for Year 12 SOR students, this topic will also have relevance to Art and Music students. Jesus continues to be a prominent cultural figure even though it is 2000 years since He walked this earth. Regardless of the medium in which He is portrayed, controversy usually follows. The art forms currently dealt with in this topic are films, literature, music, musicals and Christian rock, painting and photography.

Social Sciences

Occupational Health and Safety

Australian legislation and regulations open this topic. General sections on

injury prevention, workplace injuries and first aid follow. Specific OHS issues for farm workers, metal and wood workers, and those in the plastics industry are highlighted and there is a very lengthy list of links dealing with other occupations. Lesson plans, manuals and worksheets for classroom use are found in the For Teachers section.



Marketing

In a world where marketing is so pervasive, vendors of goods and services need to ensure that their product attracts the attention of potential buyers. To achieve this, care needs to be taken devising marketing strategies, plans and research. Students will find sections on each of these as well as SWOT analysis, customer service, advertising and promotion. A case study on the marketing of golf is also available. A long list of classroom materials is available in the For Teachers section.



Maths, Astronomy and Physics

Manual Arts and Science Projects

This topic contains a range of interesting projects which are sure to engage students of science and/or manual arts. Currently the topic includes CO2 dragsters, model aircraft, mousetrap vehicles, trebuchets, water rockets, whirligigs, wooden toys and wrought iron. Teachers will find ideas for assessment, webquests, activities and interactive sites in the final section.



Life Sciences

New Zealand: Vegetation

Due to its geographical isolation New Zealand has an abundance of unique and beautiful native vegetation. The topic commences with a general section on NZ native plants. Several species are then given special attention: Harakeke (flax), ferns, native grasses, Horoeka (lancewood), mosses and liverworts, Cordyline, Horopito (pepper tree) and the giant Kauri. Teaching aids are found at the end.



Literature

Zusak, Markus

The resources on this popular young Australian author concentrate mainly on his book *The Book Thief*, but there are sections on *The Messenger*, the awards he has won and his other works. Teachers will find discussion ideas on the two aforementioned novels in the last section.

Modern World History

Central African States

The history and current status of the various nations of Central Africa are covered here. The states in this region are Cameroon, Gabon, Republic of Congo, Angola, Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo (formerly Zaire), Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda, Kenya, Djibouti, Somalia, Tanzania and Mozambique. Lesson plans to assist teachers in bringing this troubled part of the world to students' attention are in the last section.



New Sections:

Religions

New Testament: Biography

Elizabeth and Zacharias
Lydia
Aquila and Priscilla

Famous Christians

Joan of Arc 1412-1431
Toussaint, Pierre 1766 – 1853
de Veuster, Joseph (Father Damien) 1840-1889
Joseph, John, Bishop 1932-1998
Four Women Martyrs of El Salvador



Religious Orders, Communities and Organisations

Archbishop John Bede Polding 1794 - 1877 and the Sisters of the Good Samaritan
The Society of Mary 1816- Jules Chevalier 1824-1907 and the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart

Cardinal Joseph Cardijn 1882-1967 and the Young Christian Workers' Movement
St Maximilian Kolbe 1894-1941 and the Militia of the Immaculata
Dorothy Day 1897-1980 and The Catholic Worker Movement

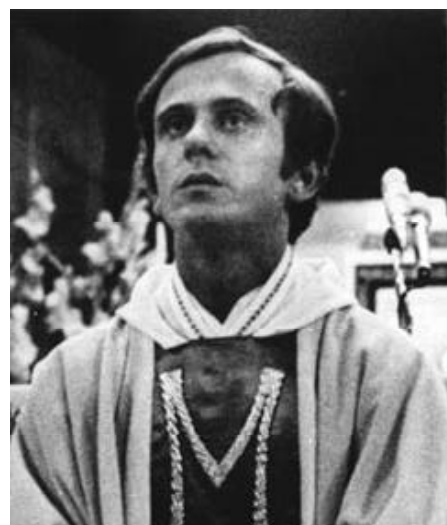
Comparative religion

Sikhism

Social Sciences

Political Reformers: 20th-21st Centuries

Ncube, Pius, Archbishop b. 1947
Popieluszkowski, Jerzy, Father 1950-1984



Globalisation

Australian global companies

Arts, Music and Sports

Olympic Games

Olympic Games: Beijing and Tibet

Australian History

Aboriginal Australians since 1788

Australia: 2008: National Apology to Stolen Generation

Australia at War

Australia: WW2 - HMAS Sydney

