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We wish everyone a successful close to 2008 and hope that your students' use of Library Webs resources has made a positive contribution to their good results. Thank you to all who requested such interesting topics and to those who forwarded excellent sites for inclusion in the collection. We look forward to continuing our working partnership with you in the coming year.

**Religions**

**Old Testament: Women**

There are so many fascinating women whose stories are told in the Old Testament that this selection marks only a beginning. Currently the lives selected are those of Eve, Sarah and Hagar, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel, Miriam, Ruth and Naomi, Deborah, Delilah, Hannah, Bathsheba and Esther. Teacher notes, lesson plans and webquests are available in the final section.



**World Legal Systems**

This topic for Senior students covers the various types of legal systems employed in different areas of the world today: civil law, common law, customary law, Jewish law (Talmudic), Muslim law (Sharia), mixed systems and socialist law. Another section focuses on the origins of the legal systems in the ancient codes of Babylon, Greece and Rome, and later in the Magna Carta of medieval England. There is also a case study on the way that capital punishment is viewed by the different legal systems. Lesson plans and teaching ideas are available for teachers at the end.

**Arts, Music and Sports**



**Participation in Physical Activity**

The introductory section contains statistics, studies and research findings on the levels of participation in sports and physical activities in various

countries. The next section looks at the socialisation processes operating in sporting activities. The influences which motivate people to participate in physical activity are covered in considerable depth and special focus is given to the patterns of exercise participation in Australia. Teaching materials are found in the last section.

**Literature**



*Elizabeth Barrett Browning*

**British Poets: 19th-20th Centuries**

Designed for Senior students, this topic offers biographical studies and critical works on the following poets: Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Alfred Tennyson, Robert Browning, Christina Rossetti, Thomas Hardy, Gerard Manley Hopkins and William Butler Yeats. The

teachers' section at the end contains lesson plans and study questions on specific poems.



Robert Frost (NY World-Telegram & Sun Newspapers)

### American Poets: 19th-20th Centuries

The American poets currently examined in this topic are Ralph Waldo Emerson, Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, Robert Frost, Carl Sandburg, E E Cummings and Langston Hughes. Each section contains study guides and critical works on individual poems as well as biographical resources. The teachers' section has a wealth of lesson plans, units of work and novel ideas for teaching the poetry of this period.

### Modern World History

#### International terrorism

While terrorism has been used for political purposes since time immemorial, the form and scale of events in recent decades is a new phenomenon. This topic currently focuses on several of the most devastating and recent occurrences, viz. the World Trade Center Bombing 1993, the US Embassy Bombings in Kenya and Tanzania in 1998, the attacks in America on 11 September 2001, the bombings in Bali in 2002 and

2005, and the bombings in Madrid 2004 and London 2005. Extra sections deal with Osama bin Laden and the Al-Qaeda Network, the War against Terrorism in relation to Afghanistan and Australia, and the Anti-Terrorism Bill which was introduced in Australia in 2005. A lengthy list of lesson plans in the final section will assist teachers in teaching this disturbing topic.



US Embassy, Nairobi 1998 (US Fed Govt)

### North African States

This topic continues the series on African nations commenced last term. While the concentration is on modern history and current issues, students are also given background information so that recent events and situations can be placed in their historical context. The countries covered are Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Morocco, Western Sahara, the Canary Islands and Algeria. Lesson plans and teaching ideas are found in the For Teachers section.

### New Sections

#### Social Sciences

#### Global Environmental Issues

Food crisis

### Australian Society

#### Australia: Law

Capital punishment  
Influence of religious groups  
Juvenile offenders

#### Aboriginal Australians:

#### Contemporary Issues

Northern Territory Intervention

### Chemistry and Earth Sciences

#### Volcanoes

Volcanoes: Philippines

### Life Sciences

#### Introduced species in Australia

Camels  
Brumbies  
Sparrows

### Geography

#### Developing Countries

Developing Countries: Education

### Modern World History

#### The Age of Discovery

Polo, Marco 1254-1324  
Zheng He [Cheng Ho] 1371-1433  
Cortés, Hernán 1485-1547  
William Baffin c. 1584-1622



Anwar Sadat, 1980

(US Govt)

