

C2C for the Humanities and Social Sciences

What is the Humanities and Social Sciences learning area and what subjects does it contain?

The Humanities and Social Sciences is the study of human behaviour and interaction within social, cultural, environmental, economic and political contexts.

In the Australian Curriculum, the Humanities and Social Sciences learning area has four subjects: History, Geography, Economics and Business, Civics and Citizenship. Each of these develop subject-specific knowledge and skills.

- **History** focuses on evidence, continuity and change, cause and effect, significance, empathy, perspectives, and contestability.
- **Geography** focuses on place, space, environment, interconnection, sustainability, scale, and change.
- **Civics and Citizenship** focuses on government and democracy, laws and citizens, and citizenship, diversity and identity.
- **Economics and Business** focuses on resource allocation and making choices, the business environment, consumer and financial literacy, work and work futures.

How do the C2C materials reflect the Australian Curriculum?

C2C materials have been developed to support student learning within each subject. Therefore, you will find C2C materials for Civics and Citizenship, Economics and Business, History and Geography.

C2C materials include an inquiry approach. The Knowledge and Understanding strand in each subject provides the content through which students' skills are developed.

How have the C2C materials for each subject been structured?

C2C units developed for the subjects are:

Subject	Year	C2C Units
History	Kindergarten -6	2 units per year
	Years 7-10	3 depth studies per year
Geography	Kindergarten – Year 10	2 units per year
Civics and Citizenship	Years 3-10	2 units per band
Economics and Business	Years 5-8	2 units per band
	Years 9-10	4 depth studies per band

Why do some of the materials for Civics and Citizenship and Economics and Business look different to those developed for History and Geography?

C2C materials for History and Geography have been developed to align with those materials developed for Phase 1 Australian Curriculum learning areas/subjects: English, Mathematics and Science.

C2C materials for other Australian Curriculum learning areas/subjects were developed to be more flexible, so that schools could more easily work with them to adapt to school contexts and to differentiate for student learning. A brief guide to the materials for each subject is provided below:

History and Geography	Civics and Citizenship Economics and Business
Year-level plans Unit plans Assessment materials	Band plans Unit plans Assessment materials
Teacher lesson overviews Lesson outlines with linked resources	Topic overviews Topic outlines with linked resources
Mapping documents	Mapping documents

What are the assessable elements in the Humanities and Social Sciences?

The assessable elements identify the valued features in a subject which are assessed. The C2C Humanities and Social Science materials contain assessable elements that are consistent across all subjects in this learning area. They are:

- knowledge and understanding
- questioning and research
- analysing and interpreting
- communicating.

These assessable elements are derived from the sub-strands of the curriculum.

Where can I find more information on the Humanities and Social Sciences?

Teachers can access the Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum on the Australian Curriculum website at:

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/humanities-and-social-sciences/introduction>

The revised F-6/7 Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum (Version 8.1) can be accessed at:

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/humanities-and-social-sciences/hass/curriculum/f-10?layout=1#page=2>

Teachers may also access the C2C Factsheets for Civics and Citizenship, Economics and Business, History and Geography.