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VCE Masterclass at Sovereign Hill!

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Australian History

Students explore the broad theme of 'Continuity and Change' using nineteenth century Ballarat as a case study. Topics include the impacts of colonisation, understanding belonging and citizenship, and the impact of power and resistance. Students analyse the foundations of continuity and change in the developing colony and examine the contributions of significant events, ideas and perspectives.

Study Design Links

Unit of Study: 3 and 4

Area of Study 1: Foundations



Business Management:

Students investigate Sovereign Hill as a not-for-profit business case study to describe how and why business ideas are created and developed through the nurturing of a culture of business innovation and entrepreneurship.

Study Design Links

Unit 1 & 2: Planning a business

- **Area of Study 1:** The business idea

Unit 4 of Study 2: Establishing a business

- **Area of Study 2:** Marketing & Staffing a Business

Outdoor and Environmental Studies:

Students explore Australia's natural environment, examining its manipulation through Aboriginal land, European settlement, the gold rush, and impacts on flora and fauna. A guided Sovereign Hill tour highlights Ballarat's rapid landscape transformation, with optional fieldwork sessions.

Study Design Links

Unit 3: Relationships with Outdoor Environments

- **Area of Study 2:** Relationships with Australian Environments in the past decade



The Arnott-Rogers & Chinese Processional Collections

Students explore the Arnott-Rogers collection of Chinese artefacts from 1895-1916, offering a glimpse into rural life during a period of change. The collection reflects the China Inland Mission's approach, with textiles used by the missionaries and insights from Robina's work as a nurse. It's supplemented by the Processional Collection, highlighting Chinese culture in Ballarat.

Study Design Links

History Unit 3 & 4: Revolutions

Area of Study 1 and 2: Causes and consequences of revolution (China)

Geography:

Students explore Sovereign Hill as a tourism case study, examining its socio-cultural value, sustainability, and environmental management practices. A guided tour allows students to collect data, including photographic and GIS information, for their fieldwork.

Study Design Links

Unit 2: Tourism

- **Area of Study 1:** The Characteristics of Tourism

- **Area of Study 2:** The Impacts of Tourism

Health and Human Development:

Students will explore Ballarat goldrush conditions, our medical collections, and more broadly nineteenth century living conditions and how public health systems and wellbeing ideas have evolved into the systems we find today.

Study Design Links

Unit 3: Australia's health in a globalised world

- **Area of Study 2:** Promoting health and wellbeing

Please note if you are unable to visit 45-minute VCE masterclasses can be delivered online.