

TURNING EMPATHY INTO ACTION

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Activity

What does homelessness look like?

When you Google homelessness, what do you see?

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About Orange Sky

10 years of service

Orange Sky has positively connected communities since October 2014, providing free laundry, warm showers, and genuine, non-judgmental conversation to Australians and those doing it tough. Our service is built on the belief that everyone deserves access to **basic hygiene services and meaningful human connection**. Alongside our team of staff and volunteers, and with the backing of our supporters and partners, we are committed to building a future where no one faces hardship alone.

Our What

- LAUNDRY
- SHOWERS
- CONNECTION

Our Who

- Homelessness
- Financial hardship
- Limited access to basic services
- Social isolation
- Displacement after disaster

Our How

- Metro & Regional Services
- Remote Community Operations
- Community Recovery
- School Laundry Program
- Education & Advocacy

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Need for Education

Stigma & Stereotypes

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Activity

What makes a home?

Is a home just walls and a roof? What makes it more than that?

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Resource Overview

Unit Plan

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Lesson	Learning Objectives	Activities
1	Understand the concept of homelessness and its various forms.	Read the story 'The Boy Who Swam to Australia' and discuss the challenges faced by the boy.
2	Identify the causes of homelessness and the impact on individuals and communities.	Watch the video 'Homelessness in Australia' and participate in a group discussion.
3	Explore the role of government and community organizations in addressing homelessness.	Research different homelessness services and create a presentation.
4	Develop empathy and understanding for people experiencing homelessness.	Role-play scenarios where students act as homeless people and others as service providers.
5	Reflect on the importance of human connection and support for those in need.	Write a letter of support or a story about a person who has overcome homelessness.

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Module Components

Information, Templates and Worksheets

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Empathy - Understanding - Action

The process can be the same in all contexts.

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Use & Adapt

What could this look like in your classroom?

1. What could you take and use straight away?
2. What could work in your context with some modification?
3. What wouldn't work as-is — and what would you need instead?
4. Where could you see young people engaging and taking action in your context?

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Get Involved
3 ways you can help drive homelessness education




Tell us your thoughts
Stay back for 5 minutes and answer some questions about the best channels and format for homelessness education.



Download and use
Download the resources and use an element in your classroom.



Be a case study
Help us gather impact data and measure outcomes by putting your hand up for a virtual meeting and feedback.



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