



Teacher Resource

Literacy Ambassador

Focus Questions

Discuss the BTN High story as a class and record the main points of discussion. Students will then respond to the following:

1. What does literacy mean? Is it just reading books?
2. List some ways that you use literacy outside of the classroom.
3. What is the World Literacy Foundation?
4. How do Australia's literacy levels compare to the rest of the world?
5. What factors could contribute to lower levels of literacy?
6. How did Tasmania Hannant become one of Australia's 2026 Youth Literacy Ambassadors?
7. What does her role as an ambassador involve? Explain.
8. What is Tasmania's mission as a Youth Literacy Ambassador?
9. If you were a Youth Literacy Ambassador, what's one unique strategy you would use to encourage young people to read more?
10. Are books still important? Why?
11. Connect literacy to wider global issues. How does illiteracy impact economic development and public health?

Activities

- **Level up your literacy!** Design a fun, interactive board game or mobile app prototype that makes mastering reading and writing exciting for teens.
- **Literacy in the Digital Era:** Has digital technology lowered or redefined modern literacy? Write a 300-word persuasive essay.
- **Applying to be Australia's next Youth Literacy Ambassador:** Draft an application letter for an ambassador role. Describe the power of literacy through your own perspective and share your core mission. Use the criteria from the [World Literacy Foundation's website](#) for ideas.

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KEY LEARNING

Students will discuss the role of a Youth Literacy Ambassador, and the importance of literacy among young people.

CURRICULUM

[Literacy \(v8.4\)](#)

[Literacy \(v9.0\)](#)

[English – Year 7 \(v8.4\)](#)

[Civics and Citizenship – Year 9 \(v9.0\)](#)