

CLASSROOM RESOURCE



Support people experiencing marginalisation. Buy The Big Issue.

The Big Issue

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– The Big Issue Classroom

The Big Issue Classroom is a useful resource in the study of Geography, making it come to life!

The Big Issue Classroom workshops examine the causes and types of homelessness, and the liveability of places. We explore some of the barriers to inclusion that people experiencing marginalisation face and the role of The Big Issue in helping them tackle some of these barriers. Students are encouraged to consider the impact of place, personal choices and circumstances, as well as the importance of social connections and support networks in dealing with complex situations.



Education

Workshops include a presentation of some of the main concepts and statistics of homelessness, and an interactive activity that helps students understand the barriers that people face. A guest speaker will share their personal experiences of homelessness, explaining how they used support services and networks to overcome challenges and reconnect with the community. The guest speaker will also share their perception of place and how their living situation affects their choices and connections to the community.

These workshops link well to the Geography curriculum, in particular when linked to the liveability of places and the effect of place on people's wellbeing. Our workshops also emphasise the need for support services and different ways for people to connect. Every workshop booked provides paid work experience for a guest speaker experiencing marginalisation or disadvantage.

For Booking inquiries and workshop pricing go to: <https://thebigissue.org.au/our-programs/education/>



Geography lessons