

The Australian taxation system



This sequence is intended as a framework to be modified and adapted by teachers to suit the needs of a class group.

Resources needed

- The Australian Taxation System Video
- Australian taxation system Video viewing guide
- Australian taxation system Explainer
- The Australian taxation system Worksheet

Suggested activity sequence

 Play: This video is about the Australian taxation system.

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Go to taxsuperandyou.gov.au and search for 'Australian taxation system video'



- 2 As they view the video, students complete the *Video viewing guide*.
- 3 Discuss student answers and any observations they have about the size and interconnected nature of the Australian taxation system.
- 4 Students read the *Explainer*, highlighting those taxes and items of expenditure they are unfamiliar with.
- Invite students to share the terms they are unfamiliar with and record them on the board. Ask other students to define these, clarifying misunderstandings or definitions as they do.
- 6 Set the homework task of students finding the meaning of the words that remain on the board.
- 7 Students complete the Worksheet.
- Invite students to share the services they use each day that are provided by governments. Record these on the board under the headings: Federal, State, Local.
- 9 Students write a quick response to the question: How do the goods and services funded by the Australian taxation system support you and society as a whole?
- 10 Invite students to read what they have written.

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