



**2007 Year
of the Surf
Lifesaver**

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF HEROES

In 1907, beachgoers who were concerned about the dangers of 'surf bathing' formed themselves into clubs in an attempt to make the surf safer for all. Representatives of the first seven surf clubs met to form the Surf Bathing Association of New South Wales, which went on to become Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA).

The surf lifesaver has been an Australia icon ever since.

Since its beginnings, Surf Life Saving Australia has grown in size and significance and is now Australia's major water safety and rescue authority with more than 300 clubs and 110,000 members.

2007 is the official Year of the Surf Lifesaver (YSL) in which we recognise the centenary of Surf Life Saving Australia.

SLSA: A MAJOR EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION

School education programs provide a popular and important introduction to the surf environment for many children. SLSA currently provides education packages through its Surf Survival, Surf Awareness, Surf Smart and Surf Safety programs. These programs have been specially designed to give students skills that will develop their understanding of the surf environment and give them basic survival and rescue skills. SLSA also extends its school education to rural and remote communities through its 'Beach to Bush' program.

To organise a school program contact your state Surf Life Saving Australia office.

WEBSITE RESOURCES

www.ysl.slsa.com.au/

(Year of the Surf Lifesaver: official website with a huge amount of downloadable resources.)

www.slsa.com.au/

(Surf Life Saving Australia)

www.nma.gov.au/education/school_resources/temporary_exhibitions/between_the_flags/

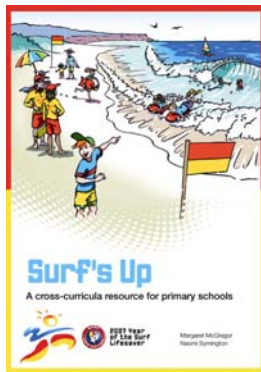
(National Museum of Australia, Between the Flags education kit and schools competition)

www.edna.edu.au/edna/go/schooled/school_theme_pages/pid/1517

(Education Network Australia, Year of the Surf Lifesaver page containing resources relating to surf, oceans, safety and fun in the sun)

GREAT CLASSROOM RESOURCES TO CELEBRATE YEAR OF THE SURF LIFESAVER

Surf's Up



Surf's Up: A cross-curricula resource for primary schools

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Surf's Up is a free teaching resource developed by Surf Life Saving Australia as part of the Year of the Surf Lifesaver. This easy-to-use teaching aid supports national efforts to keep our young people safe around water and to give them the knowledge, skills and attitudes to help them make sound decisions.

This engaging classroom resource for primary teachers and students contains a range of cross-curricular activities associated with surf lifesaving, water safety and the beach. Activities cover the important areas of Safety, Physical Health, Environment and Community Values, each linked to key learning areas Australia-wide.

The activities are divided into middle primary and upper primary levels and can be modified for both. Each contains teacher notes detailing learning outcomes, materials required, suggested teaching and learning strategies and student resource sheets for use in and out of the classroom. The lively illustrations will appeal to students and help reinforce the safety message.

Surf's Up will be delivered free to all Australian primary schools early in 2007. For further information about Surf Life Saving Australia and to access bonus additional activities visit Surf Life Saving Australia's website: www.slsa.com.au/ For delivery enquiries contact Scholastic Australia on 1800 021 233.

Sample activity: **ADVENTURE AT THE BEACH**

In 'Adventure at the Beach', students read and respond to a 'choose your own adventure' story. They work alone and in small groups to read and evaluate the options available in the story. They select the best pathway and make a graphic or oral presentation of their story.

S1 Safety
Adventure at the Beach

In this activity students read and respond to a 'choose your own adventure' story. They work alone and in small groups to read and evaluate the options available in the story. They select the best pathway and make a graphic or oral presentation of their story.

Learning outcomes	Materials required	Preparation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students identify hazards and the most appropriate responses for each situation. Students read and respond to a 'choose your own adventure' story. Students compare and contrast the responses available in the story. Students evaluate the responses available in the story. Students make a graphic or oral presentation of their story. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activity Book Adventure at the Beach Pen and pencil Colour paper Scissors Glue Markers, pencils, pens and paint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make coloured copies of Activity Book Adventure at the Beach Prepare resources

Procedure

- Introduce the activity by explaining to students that this is a 'choose your own adventure' story. They work alone and in small groups to read and evaluate the options available in the story. They select the best pathway and make a graphic or oral presentation of their story.

Resources

- Activity Book Adventure at the Beach
- Pen and pencil
- Colour paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers, pencils, pens and paint

S1 Activity Sheet
Adventure at the Beach

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Adventure at the Beach

- You wake up this morning with a headache. It's really warm and you can't wait to get to the water. Your friends don't want to go with you. (Go to 2)
- Go straight into the water because it's too hot to wait. (Go to 3)
- Wait a while for your friends to join in the water and swim with you. (Go to 3)
- It's hot and you are not at your best. You decide that you can't wait a moment longer. (Go to 2)
- After about 10 minutes your head starts to clear. (Go to 3)
- Stay out in the water because you don't want to miss out on your holiday. (Go to 3)
- You get a message on your mobile phone from your friend. They say they are waiting for you. (Go to 3)
- Continue to wait for your friends. (Go to 3)
- Go back to your car. You find a note from your friend saying they will be waiting for you. (Go to 3)
- You start to get really hot from being in the water. Your friends don't seem to be there so you get out. (Go to 3)
- Your friends don't seem to be there. You decide to go back to the beach and wait for them. (Go to 3)
- You get back to your car and find a note from your friend. They say they are waiting for you. (Go to 3)
- You get out of the water and find a note from your friend saying they will be waiting for you. (Go to 3)



Between the Flags Exhibition: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving

To celebrate this milestone in Australian history the National Museum of Australia has developed the exhibition *Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving*. The exhibition opened at the Museum in 2006 and will travel to venues around Australia throughout 2007 and 2008.

The National Museum of Australia has also produced an **education package** linked with the exhibition, which contains teachers' notes, audiovisual resources and activities for each exhibition theme. These resources address the SOSE/ HSIE, History, Health and Physical Education and Arts curricula and can be adapted for Years 4–10. The package can be used as a stand-alone resource to explore the place of surf lifesaving in Australian social and cultural history or in conjunction with a visit to the exhibition *Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving*.

The package also contains a DVD, which includes interviews with surf lifesavers, and archival footage that can be used in classroom activities. For further information consult the exhibition's official web page at www.nma.gov.au/education/school_resources/temporary_exhibitions/between_the_flags/. At the website you can also download a Surf Lifesaving Education Kit (containing various Surf Lifesaving Topics) and details of the exciting *Sharing the Sand* competition.

http://www.nma.gov.au/shared/libraries/attachments/schools/resources/surf_lifesaving/sharing_the_sand/files/17377/Sharing_the_sand_competition.PDF

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