

## **Resources For Schools – Teacher Notes**

At the beginning of each school year students are reminded to bring the resources they need each day to their classroom. School sends out reminders and newspapers and televisions advertise "Start of School" sales.

Students are asked to reflect on the resources they need to bring to school to be able to work well.

- 1. In groups of three (or table/bench groups) they are given five minutes to write down a beginning of the year shopping list of student resources.
- 2. A scribe and a reporter are designated for each group.
- 3. Results are shared and written on the board to be copied into their student worksheet.
- 4. To this can be added resources provided by the school.
- 5. Poorly resourced students may report only on resources provided by the school.



**Student resources** healthy (as possible) student, school uniform, sports gear, stationery, textbooks school bag/back pack, library bag, lunch box/money, laptops/iPads etc.

**School resources** rooms, light, heat/cooling, water, toilets, gymnasium, library, teachers, health professionals, administrators, cleaners, sports grounds, canteen, bike racks, textbooks, computers, desks, chairs etc.

Why do we have all these resources in school? We have them to make learning easier/possible

Explain your answer

Why does Australia want everyone to attend school? Human beings are resources too. People with skills are an important resource for the country's future development and economic competitiveness.

Definition A resource is something that is useful

## **Extension or Homework**

Schools employ trained people without which the school cannot function. Students are encouraged to discover the time and training necessary to produce this resource. A worksheet is provided.

Western Australia is rich in both human and material resources. It is important that we can value add to our primary resources and educate our human resources.

