JOHN CURTIN:
A Man of Peace, A Time of War – ANSWERS

Follow the instructions below to complete the activities based on information from:


1. From Poor Boy to Prime Minister – http://john.curtin.edu.au/manofpeace/boytopm.html

Scroll down to LIFE AT THE LODGE. Find the photo of a group of men standing and click on it.

a) Name two of the people in the photograph. Left to right: Peter Fraser (New Zealand), John Curtin, Winston Churchill, King George VI, William Mackenzie King (Canada), Jan Smuts (South Africa).

b) In what year was the photograph taken? 1944

c) Where was the photograph taken? Buckingham Palace


Scroll down to A REJECTION OF BRITAIN? Find the photo of two men walking together and click on it.

a) Name the two people in the photograph. John Curtin, General Douglas MacArthur

b) When did the man on the right come to Australia? (To search for the answer, go back to http://john.curtin.edu.au/manofpeace/crisis.html) March 1942

c) What country was he from? The United States of America


- Jigsaw Puzzle – Solve the jigsaw puzzle and reveal the headline of the front page of this newspaper.
- From Poor Boy to Prime Minister: Activity – Try this memory teaser and mix and match dates with significant events in Curtin’s life.
- From Poor Boy to Prime Minister: Maths Activity – John Curtin was pretty good at everyday maths. See how you compare in these number and date activities designed for children of primary school age.
- Crisis at Home and Abroad: Quiz – How do you rate your knowledge of the events of the war years in Australia? See how you shape up with these 10 questions.
- The Homefront: Activity – Explore issues such as conscription and rationing in this activity which uses photographs and cartoons as well as text from the exhibition.
- The Homefront: Quiz – 10 multiple choice questions to challenge your understanding of important issues on the homefront. See how you score!
- Crossword: Activity – Use clues from the online exhibition displays to complete this crossword. How ‘clued-up’ are you?