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| Veranstalter..... | Catherine Schwerin |
| Thema..... | Australian Identities |
| Art der Veranstaltung..... | Written Expression A [AA-A4, ENG-9] |
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Kommentar:

As a former colony of the British Empire, Australia is often seen as a carefree, culturally immature version of the “mother country”. Yet although her British roots have contributed significantly to shaping Australian society and institutions, that elusive creature the “Australian identity” has been informed by the country’s unique geography, and history as well as the cultural identities of the people who have chosen to call her shores home. In general terms we share the same concerns as other modern nations when it comes to the environment, social justice, politics, and education, but the nuts and bolts of these issues are our own.

In this course we will analyse, discuss and respond to a variety of texts on Australian issues with a view to understanding the themes that have helped shape Australian national identity from colonial times to the present. Text types will include essays, newspaper articles, poetry, songs, and stories. The course will also focus on the analytical and interpretive skills required for interacting with the written word and actively processing textual information. Tasks will include reading comprehension tasks, identifying structure and style, vocabulary expansion exercises and may be in oral or written form. Assessment will be ongoing on the basis of tasks and assignments set in the course.

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