## Year 5 Floods, Storms and Bushfires

## Lesson 9

Introduction	Floods, Storms and Bushfires – A Cross-Curricular Unit of Work
	In the previous lesson, we looked at the best way to prepare for a bushfire, and what local resources are available to protect homes and special places.
	In this lesson, we will compare and contrast ways to prepare for storms/floods and bushfires, and use this information to create a safety procedure.
Warm Up/Main lesson (10 mins)	<ul> <li>WALT – identify how we can be prepared for natural disasters, and how this helps to minimise any harmful effects.</li> <li>WILF – research skills, sharing viewpoints, contributing to class discussions, creating a Venn diagram and a sequential safety procedure.</li> <li>TIB- Australia has natural disasters that can impact us, and others.</li> <li>1. Ask students: 'What happens when there is a fire drill at school?' Record answers on the board. Explain to students that schools, homes and business organisations all have various procedures in place to keep people safe.</li> <li>2. Explain to students that they will be creating a safety procedure, using information obtained from a Venn diagram.</li> <li>3. Draw a Venn diagram on the board, and ask students if they know what these are used for. (to see differences and similarities)</li> <li>4. Give a brief example, using rain and snow. (They are shaped differently, one</li> </ul>
	is a liquid and the other is a flake, but they both are wet, cold and come from clouds.)
Main lesson (40 mins)	<ol> <li>Display pictures of natural disasters around the classroom.</li> <li>Ask students to create a Venn diagram with one heading being Floods and Storms and the other Bushfires.</li> <li>They now need to complete both circles and the middle section to show the similarities and differences in preparing for a natural disaster.         For example:             <u>Differences:</u>             Floods and Storms – secure loose items, ensure nothing is blocking drains, etc.             Bushfires – trim overhanging tree branches, clean gutters and downpipes, etc.</li> </ol>
	<ul> <li>Similarities- have a quick-exit emergency kit ready to take immediately, quickly move people and pets to safety, have an exit plan, know emergency services contacts, etc.</li> <li>Select individual students to share their Venn diagrams.</li> <li>Next, ask students to use information from previous lessons, including:         <ul> <li>emergency contact list,</li> <li>the following link www.disaster.logan.qld.gov.au</li> <li>Worksheet 8: How to Prepare Your Home and Family to create their sequential safety procedure.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Review (10 mins)	Choose students to share their work. Collect work and correct.
Differentiation	Take anecdotal records on student participation and engagement.  Allow students to refer to previous worksheets:  Worksheet 8: How to Prepare Your Home and Family





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	Worksheet 9: Flood Preparation Guide
	Worksheet 10: Storm Preparation Guide
	Worksheet 11: Bushfire Preparation Guide
	Work with a partner.
	Teacher/school officer assistance.
	Create a safety procedure for your school.
Resources	Worksheet 8: How to Prepare Your Home and Family
	Worksheet 9: Flood Preparation Guide
	Worksheet 10: Storm Preparation Guide
	Worksheet 11: Bushfire Preparation Guide
	Computers, laptops, iPads
	Student books
	Images for natural disasters
	Books on natural disasters in Australia.
	http://www.teachthis.com.au/products/view-resource/link/Australian-Floods-
	Posters/id/3415/
	www.disaster.logan.qld.gov.au
ACARA	Humanities and Social Sciences
Content	The impact of bushfires or floods on environments and communities, and how
Descriptions	people can respond (ACHASSK114)
	The environmental and human influences on the location and characteristics of
	a place and the management of spaces within them (ACHASSK113)
	Locate and collect relevant information and data from primary and secondary
	sources (ACHASSI095, ACHASSI123)
	Use criteria to make decisions and judgements and consider advantages and
	disadvantages of preferring one decision over others (ACHASSI103, ACHASSI131)
	Types of resources (natural, human, capital) and the ways societies use them in
	order to satisfy the needs and wants of present and future generations
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	(ACHASSK120)
	Sequence information about people's lives, events, developments and
	phenomena using a variety of methods including timelines (ACHASSI097,
	ACHASSI125)
	Organise and represent data in a range of formats including tables, graphs and
	large- and small-scale maps, using discipline-appropriate conventions
	(ACHASSI096, ACHASSI124)
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