**Citizenship Assignment**

*Don’t forget to add your OHSW questions to this task when you submit it for assessment*

**‘What is Citizenship?’**

* Participating in and contributing to your local and wider community through activities like work experience, youth forums, community services and events, volunteering, sport and recreation, caring for another member of the family or part-time work. Did you know that Macquarie University wants to make volunteering a compulsory component of their undergraduate courses from 2010?

* Developing an understanding of your rights and responsibilities at work and in dealing with other people. Becoming aware of issues in regard to the law, moral and ethical behaviour. Respecting the right to free speech, freedom of religion and government. Did you know that an Ancient Roman citizen was legally not allowed to be tortured or whipped?
* Developing a respect for others and the ability to embrace the diverse interests and cultures that exist in our communities. Did you know that Angelina Jolie was made a Cambodian citizen in 2005 because of her humanitarian efforts?
* Understanding how social, economic and political aspects or issues affect people in their day-to-day lives, work and communities. Did you know that to be President of the United States of America you must be a natural born citizen of the USA?

**Questions**

1. Based on the dot points above write your own personal definition of what the term ‘citizenship’ capability means to you.

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1. Identify and list people and/or groups in your local and wider community who contribute to ‘citizenship’.

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1. Identify and record ways you currently contribute to your local and/or wider community through the idea of citizenship.

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1. Identify and record what you could do in the future to contribute to ‘citizenship’ in the local or wider community? Share your brainstorming with the class and **highlight one idea** which could become your **personal citizenship goal**.

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5. Why do only one in 10 people volunteer to help in the community?

List 10 possible reasons.

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1. Brainstorm at least 5 ways of encouraging more people to donate one hour per week to help a charity or other community venture.

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1. Each person has the responsibility to support others in the community in some way. What do you think about this idea? Do you think that it is right and fair that you must give some of your own time to help others in need?

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**Research your own non-profit organisation (this may be typed and stapled to this task)**

11. Gather the following information about your chosen non-profit organisation:

The following questions are to be used as a guide only.

* What do they do?
* How do they help others?
* Where do they get their funds?
* Who do they help? (local, national, international)
* How do they promote themselves?
* What is their ethos? What does this ethos mean? How do they translate this to action?
* Who are other similar organisations?
* Who are the workers? (employees and volunteers)
* Who are the organisers?
* What are their overheads/costs?
* How effective are they in getting support to their clients?
* How efficient are they in using the resources donated?
* How can you be involved? How can you support them?
* Skills developed

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