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Australian Deputy PM disqualified over dual citizenship

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Australia's Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has been disqualified from his governmental position because he held dual citizenship when he was elected. He was one of five politicians who were deemed as being incorrectly elected because they held two passports and were thus dual citizens. They were ineligible because they were a "subject or citizen of a foreign power". Australia's constitution prohibits dual nationals from being elected. Mr Joyce's departure has put pressure on Australia's ruling National Party*, which now has just 75 seats in the 150-seat House of Representatives. Mr Joyce could return to office by running in a by-election after he renounced his New Zealand citizenship in August.

Mr Joyce accepted the court's decision, which he said typified the democratic values of Australia. He said: "I respect the verdict of the court. We live in a marvelous democracy. With all the checks and balances, it has given us all the freedoms we see. I thank the court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the outcome we were hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should be changed. The latest census in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were born overseas. Many more have a family history going back generations that would entitle them to claim dual citizenship.

*CORRECTION: Australia's current government is a coalition between the Liberal Party and the National Party. The Prime Minister is Malcolm Turnbull from the Liberal Party. Barnaby Joyce is from the National Party.

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WARM-UPS

1. DUAL CITIZENSHIP: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about dual citizenship. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

disqualified / dual citizenship / politicians / elected / constitution / pressure / office / decision / verdict / democracy / freedoms / outcome / overseas / family history

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. PASSPORTS: Students A **strongly** believe passports are unnecessary; Students B **strongly** believe otherwise. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. BORN OVERSEAS: What are the advantages and disadvantages of being born overseas? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Passport		
Identity		
Language		
Family		
Racism		
Travel		

5. CITIZEN: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "citizen". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. MY COUNTRY: Rank these with your partner. Put the best things about your country at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- the passport
- the flag
- the leaders
- the food
- the music
- the language
- the history
- the capital city

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. A total of five Australian politicians have been disqualified. **T / F**
- b. The Australian constitution forbids dual citizens from being a politician. **T / F**
- c. Australia's ruling party has half the seats in the House of Representatives. **T / F**
- d. Australia's former deputy leader still has his New Zealand citizenship. **T / F**
- e. The former deputy prime minister said the decision was undemocratic. **T / F**
- f. The former deputy leader thanked the court that made the decision. **T / F**
- g. The article said many Australians don't want citizenship rules to change. **T / F**
- h. Over a quarter of Australians were not born in the country. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------|
| 1. disqualified | a. judgment |
| 2. deemed | b. gave up |
| 3. ineligible | c. assert |
| 4. departure | d. considered |
| 5. renounced | e. result |
| 6. typified | f. barred |
| 7. verdict | g. exit |
| 8. outcome | h. ages |
| 9. generations | i. unsuitable |
| 10. claim | j. epitomized |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. disqualified from | a. citizen of a foreign power |
| 2. deemed as | b. were hoping for |
| 3. a subject or | c. in a by-election |
| 4. put pressure on | d. decision |
| 5. return to office by running | e. his governmental position |
| 6. Mr Joyce accepted the court's | f. balances |
| 7. typified the democratic | g. Australia's ruling National Party |
| 8. all the checks and | h. generations |
| 9. clearly not the outcome we | i. being incorrectly elected |
| 10. a family history going back | j. values of Australia |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Australia's Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has been (1) _____ from his governmental position because he held dual citizenship when he was (2) _____. He was one of five politicians who were (3) _____ as being incorrectly elected because they held two passports and were thus (4) _____ citizens. They were ineligible because they were a "subject or citizen of a foreign power". Australia's constitution (5) _____ dual nationals from being elected. Mr Joyce's departure has put (6) _____ on Australia's ruling National Party, which now has just 75 seats in the 150-seat House of Representatives. Mr Joyce could (7) _____ to office by (8) _____ in a by-election after he renounced his New Zealand citizenship in August.

prohibits
deemed
return
disqualified
pressure
elected
running
dual

Mr Joyce accepted the court's (9) _____, which he said typified the democratic values of Australia. He said: "I (10) _____ the verdict of the court. We live in a (11) _____ democracy. With all the checks and (12) _____, it has given us all the freedoms we see. I thank the court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the (13) _____ we were hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the (14) _____ citizenship laws should be changed. The latest census in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were born (15) _____. Many more have a family history going back generations that would entitle them to (16) _____ dual citizenship.

marvelous
overseas
outcome
decision
claim
respect
dual
balances

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

- 1) Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has been disqualified from his _____
 - a. government all position
 - b. govern mental position
 - c. govern mentally position
 - d. governmental position
- 2) incorrectly elected because they held two passports and were _____
 - a. this dually citizens
 - b. that's dual citizen
 - c. this dual citizens
 - d. thus dual citizens
- 3) They were ineligible because they were a subject or _____ foreign power
 - a. citizen off a
 - b. citizen of a
 - c. citizen for a
 - d. citizen from a
- 4) Mr Joyce's departure has put pressure on Australia's _____
 - a. rule in National Party
 - b. ruler in National Party
 - c. ruling National Party
 - d. rules in National Party
- 5) return to office by running in a by-election after he renounced his _____
 - a. New Zealand citizen's ship
 - b. New Zealand citizen ships
 - c. New Zealand citizens' ships
 - d. New Zealand citizenship
- 6) the court's decision, which he said typified the democratic _____ Australia
 - a. valuables of
 - b. values of
 - c. valueless of
 - d. valued of
- 7) I respect the verdict of the court. We live in a _____
 - a. marvel ours democracy
 - b. marvelous democratic
 - c. marvelous democracy
 - d. marvelous democracies
- 8) The decision of the court today is clearly not the _____ hoping for
 - a. outcome we were
 - b. income we were
 - c. welcome we were
 - d. please come we were
- 9) The latest census in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians _____
 - a. were born overseas
 - b. were borne over the seas
 - c. were newborn overseas
 - d. were born over the seas
- 10) history going back generations that would entitle them _____ citizenship
 - a. to claim dual
 - b. to clam dual
 - c. to claimed dual
 - d. to claims dual

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Australia's Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce (1) _____ from his governmental position because he held dual citizenship when he was elected. He was one of five politicians who (2) _____ being incorrectly elected because they held two passports and were thus dual citizens. They (3) _____ because they were a "(4) _____ of a foreign power". Australia's constitution prohibits dual nationals from being elected. Mr Joyce's departure has (5) _____ Australia's ruling National Party, which now has just 75 seats in the 150-seat House of Representatives. Mr Joyce could return to (6) _____ in a by-election after he renounced his New Zealand citizenship in August.

Mr Joyce accepted the court's decision, which (7) _____ the democratic values of Australia. He said: "I respect the verdict of the court. We live in a (8) _____. With all the checks and balances, it has given us (9) _____ we see. I thank the court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the (10) _____ hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should be changed. The (11) _____ Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were born overseas. Many more have a family history going back generations that (12) _____ to claim dual citizenship.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

1. How many politicians were disqualified in total?
2. What prohibits dual nationals from being elected in Australia?
3. How many seats are in Australia's House of Representatives?
4. What does Mr Joyce need to run in to get back into power?
5. What passport did Barnaby Joyce give up?
6. What did Mr Joyce say the court's decision typified?
7. What did Mr Joyce say gave Australia "all the freedoms" besides checks?
8. What did Mr Joyce thank?
9. What percentage of Australians were born overseas?
10. What do many Australians have going back centuries?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

- 1) How many politicians were disqualified in total?
 - a) 2
 - b) 3
 - c) 4
 - d) 5
- 2) What prohibits dual nationals from being elected in Australia?
 - a) history
 - b) the constitution
 - c) passports
 - d) lawyers
- 3) How many seats are in Australia's House of Representatives?
 - a) 75
 - b) 100
 - c) 120
 - d) 150
- 4) What does Mr Joyce need to run in to get back into power?
 - a) a marathon
 - b) a competition
 - c) a by-election
 - d) the Olympics
- 5) What passport did Barnaby Joyce give up?
 - a) a US passport
 - b) a UK passport
 - c) a French passport
 - d) a New Zealand passport
- 6) What did Mr Joyce say the court's decision typified?
 - a) balances
 - b) freedom
 - c) Australia's democratic values
 - d) justice
- 7) What did Mr Joyce say gave Australia "all the freedoms" besides checks?
 - a) balances
 - b) justice
 - c) courts
 - d) culture
- 8) What did Mr Joyce thank?
 - a) Australia
 - b) his passport
 - c) the court
 - d) an opera house
- 9) What percentage of Australians were born overseas?
 - a) 41%
 - b) 28%
 - c) 22%
 - d) 7%
- 10) What do many Australians have going back centuries?
 - a) a family history
 - b) passports
 - c) businesses
 - d) courts

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Role A – The Passport

You think the passport is the best thing about your country. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): the flag, the music or the leaders.

Role B – The Flag

You think the flag is the best thing about your country. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): the passport, the music or the leaders.

Role C – The Music

You think the music is the best thing about your country. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): the flag, the passport or the leaders.

Role D – The Leaders

You think the leaders are the best thing about your country. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): the flag, the music or the passport.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'dual' and 'citizen'.

dual	citizen
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• position• when• thus• pressure• 75• running	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• decision• respect• checks• hoping• latest• history
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DUAL CITIZENSHIP SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Write five GOOD questions about dual citizenship in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

DUAL CITIZENSHIP DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'citizen'?
3. Are you happy being a citizen of your country?
4. What other passport would you like?
5. What are the benefits of dual citizenship?
6. Should Mr Joyce have been disqualified?
7. What is the problem of having dual citizenship?
8. Must a leader be born in the country he or she leads?
9. What would make you give up your citizenship?
10. How much do you like your passport?

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DUAL CITIZENSHIP DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'politician'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What would a world without passports be like?
15. How much are you a citizen of the world?
16. How much of a 'marvelous democracy' is your country?
17. What do you know about your family history?
18. What do you think of having a world passport?
19. What do you think of Australia?
20. What questions would you like to ask Mr Joyce?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Mr Joyce accepted the court's decision, which he said (7) _____ the democratic values of Australia. He said: "I respect the (8) _____ of the court. We live in a marvelous democracy. With all the (9) _____ and balances, it has given us all the freedoms we see. I thank the court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the (10) _____ we were hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should be changed. The latest (11) _____ in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were born overseas. Many more have a family history going back generations that would entitle them to (12) _____ dual citizenship.

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) from | (b) at | (c) of | (d) by |
| 2. | (a) hardened | (b) hid | (c) held | (d) headed |
| 3. | (a) doomed | (b) dimmed | (c) deemed | (d) dammed |
| 4. | (a) inhabits | (b) inhibits | (c) exhibits | (d) prohibits |
| 5. | (a) seats | (b) stools | (c) chairs | (d) sofas |
| 6. | (a) flounced | (b) renounced | (c) trounced | (d) denounced |
| 7. | (a) typicality | (b) typically | (c) typical | (d) typified |
| 8. | (a) verging | (b) verdict | (c) verbal | (d) verified |
| 9. | (a) assets | (b) premiums | (c) checks | (d) spectrum |
| 10. | (a) incoming | (b) income | (c) outgoing | (d) outcome |
| 11. | (a) calculus | (b) cactus | (c) caucus | (d) census |
| 12. | (a) blame | (b) claim | (c) frame | (d) flame |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. He was one of five aliopntisic
2. incorrectly cdltee
3. They were iilgelbine
4. Australia's constitution tsoihripb dual nationals
5. Mr Joyce's eetraprdu
6. he ncenoudre his New Zealand citizenship

Paragraph 2

7. tydfepii the democratic values
8. I respect the cervidt of the court
9. The oinisdce of the court today
10. not the umoeoct we were hoping for
11. a family history going back nrenogiseta
12. tltenei them to claim dual citizenship

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () dual citizenship when he was elected. He was one of five politicians who were deemed as being incorrectly
- () court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the outcome we were
- () democracy. With all the checks and balances, it has given us all the freedoms we see. I thank the
- () from being elected. Mr Joyce's departure has put pressure on Australia's ruling National Party, which now has just
- () by running in a by-election after he renounced his New Zealand citizenship in August.
- () elected because they held two passports and were thus dual citizens. They were ineligible because they were a "subject
- () or citizen of a foreign power". Australia's constitution prohibits dual nationals
- () hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should be
- () values of Australia. He said: "I respect the verdict of the court. We live in a marvelous
- () changed. The latest census in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were born overseas. Many
- () Mr Joyce accepted the court's decision, which he said typified the democratic
- () more have a family history going back generations that would entitle them to claim dual citizenship.
- (**1**) Australia's Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has been disqualified from his governmental position because he held
- () 75 seats in the 150-seat House of Representatives. Mr Joyce could return to office

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

1. disqualified been has Joyce position governmental his from .
2. and They were held thus two dual passports citizens .
3. being from nationals dual prohibits constitution The elected .
4. ruling Party pressure Australia's National Put on .
5. return could Joyce by-election a in running by office to .
6. of typified Australia the He democratic said values it .
7. "I said: He court the of verdict ." the respect
8. freedoms given we us see all It the has .
9. Clearly for hoping were we outcome the not .
10. history more going have back a generations family Many .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1710/171029-dual-citizenship.html>

Australia's Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce has been disqualified from his governmental position because he *held / meld* dual citizenship when he was elected. He was one of five politicians who were *doomed / deemed* as being incorrectly *election / elected* because they held two passports and were *thus / this* dual citizens. They were *ineligible / illegible* because they were a "subject or *citizen / citizenry* of a foreign power". Australia's constitution prohibits *dually / dual* nationals from being elected. Mr Joyce's departure has *put / took* pressure on Australia's ruling National Party, which now has just 75 seats *in / on* the 150-seat House of Representatives. Mr Joyce could return to office by running in a by-election after he *denounced / renounced* his New Zealand citizenship in August.

Mr Joyce accepted the court's decision, which he said *typical / typified* the democratic values of Australia. He said: "I respect the *verdict / predict* of the court. We live in a *marvel / marvelous* democracy. With all the *checks / cheques* and balances, it has given *them / us* all the freedoms we see. I thank the court for their deliberations." He added: "The decision of the court today is clearly not the *income / outcome* we were hoping for, but the business of government goes *on / out*." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should be *charged / changed*. The latest census in Australia shows that 28 per cent of Australians were *born / birth* overseas. Many more have a family history going back *generations / generation* that would entitle them to claim dual citizenship.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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__str_l__'s D_p_ty Pr_m_ M_n_st_r B_rn_by J_yc_ h_s
b__n d_sq__l f__d fr_m h_s g_v_rnm_nt_l p_s_t__n
b_c__s_ h_ h_ld d__l c_t_z_nsh_p wh_n h_ w_s
_l_ct_d. H_ w_s _n_ _f f_v_ p_l_t_c__ns wh_ w_r_
d__m_d _s b__ng _nc_rr_ctly _l_ct_d b_c__s_ th_y
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w_r_ _n_l g_bl_ b_c__s_ th_y w_r_ _ "s_bj_ct _r
c_t_z_n _f _f_r__gn p_w_r". __str_l__'s c_nst_t__n
pr_h_b_ts d__l n_t__n_ls fr_m b__ng _l_ct_d. Mr
J_yc_'s d_p_rt_r_ h_s p_t pr_ss_r_ _n __str_l__'s
r_l_ng N_t__n_l P_rty, wh_ch n_w h_s j_st 75 s__ts _n
th_ 150-s__t H__s__ _f R_pr_s_nt_t_v_s. Mr J_yc_ c__ld
r_t_rn_t_ _ff_c_ by r_nn_ng _n_ _by-_l_ct__n _ft_r h_
r_n__nc_d h_s N_w Z__l_nd c_t_z_nsh_p _n __g_st.

Mr J_yc_ _cc_pt_d th_ c__rt's d_c_s__n, wh_ch h_s_d
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" _r_sp_ct th_ v_r_d_ct _f th_ c__rt. W_l_v__n _
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th_nk th_ c__rt _f_r th__r d_l_b_r_t__ns." H__dd_d:
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__tc_m_ w_ w_r_ h_p_ng _f_r, b_t th_ b_s_n_ss _f
g_v_rnm_nt g__s _n." M_ny __str_l__ns b_l__v_ th_
d__l c_t_z_nsh_p l_ws sh__ld b_ ch_ng_d. Th_ l_t_st
c_n_s_s _n __str_l__ sh_ws th_t 28 p_r_c_nt _f
__str_l__ns w_r_ b_rn _v_rs__s. M_ny m_r_ h_v_ _
f_m_ly h_st_ry g__ng b_ck g_n_r_t__ns th_t w__ld
_nt_tl_ th_m t_ cl__m d__l c_t_z_nsh_p.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

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Write about **dual citizenship** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

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There is no problem with having dual citizenship in any position in life. Discuss.

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. DUAL CITIZENSHIP: Make a poster about dual citizenship. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. LEADERS: Write a magazine article about whether nationals leaders should be able to be in office with dual citizenship. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on dual citizenship. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a T b T c T d F e F f T g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. disqualified | a. barred |
| 2. deemed | b. considered |
| 3. ineligible | c. unsuitable |
| 4. departure | d. exit |
| 5. renounced | e. gave up |
| 6. typified | f. epitomized |
| 7. verdict | g. judgment |
| 8. outcome | h. result |
| 9. generations | i. ages |
| 10. claim | j. assert |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Five
2. The constitution
3. 150
4. A by-election
5. A New Zealand passport
6. Australia's democratic values
7. Balances
8. The court
9. 28%
10. A family history

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. c 5. d 6. c 7. a 8. c 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)