

OUTSIDE MELBOURNE

- Sovereign Hill (Ballarat)
- Bataluk Cultural Trail (Gippsland)
- Coal Creek Korrumburra
- Kryal Castle (near Ballarat)
- Central Deborah Gold Mine (Bendigo)
- Port of Echuca Discovery Centre
- Flagstaff Hill (Warrnambool)
- Cape Otway Lightstation
- Eureka Trail (near Ballarat)

HANDY HINTS

Search, or subscribe to newsletters and social media accounts of venues that frequently hold activities and events. Many venues run free or low cost school holiday or after-school programs.

- your local council
- library services
- neighbourhood houses and community centres
- your local newspaper

- Event bookings sites such as EventBrite, Meetup.Com
- Discount voucher sites such as ScoopOn, GroupOn, Cudo
- Humanities faculties at university/TAFE
- Government departments
- Open House Melbourne (and beyond) tours



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Covering Humanities and Social Sciences: activity ideas around Melbourne and Victoria



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Humanities and Social Sciences (HaSS) is one of the key learning areas home educators must cover under the Victorian home education regulations. HaSS covers Geography, History, Economics and Business, and Civics and Citizenship.

HaSS topics can include anything that falls under those subject areas: our legal system, our economy, government and so much more.

In Victoria, how we choose to cover HaSS is up to us and we are able to use any resource we like.

Victoria offers many wonderful experiences that fall within the HaSS learning area, with many being free or low cost. You may wish to go as a family or link up with other home educators to attend as a group. Venues often have free resources online to complement their education programs or exhibits.

All of the suggestions below count towards covering the HaSS learning area.

Visit the websites of the venues listed. Look at any Events, Tours, Competition or Education pages: you're bound to find something you can include.

MELBOURNE METRO AREA

- State Library of Victoria
- Parliament House
- Old Treasury Building

- Government House
- First Peoples: Bunjilaka at Melbourne Museum
- Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Maps online
- Aboriginal Heritage Walk
- Aboriginal Melbourne Tour
- Polly Woodside
- Melbourne Museum
- Courts and public attendance
- Melbourne Law Week events
- Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- local historical societies
- Melbourne Business School
- Melbourne Law School
- Old Melbourne Gaol
- Ripponlea
- Werribee Park Mansion
- National Trust sites
- Victoria Police Museum

- local council meetings
- community consultation meetings
- election day voting and coverage
- Shrine of Remembrance
- Sea Shepherd ships when in port
- Immigration Museum
- Hellenic, Chinese, Jewish etc Museums
- neighbourhood orienteering, geocaching
- Greater Melbourne Cemeteries Trust
- Queen Victoria Market and hosted events
- community cultural festivals
- Puffing Billy Steam Railway
- UN Youth Australia activities open to all
- Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI)
- Melbourne Walking Tours
- Melbourne double decker bus tours
- Melbourne Town Hall
- Geography Teachers Association of Victoria