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Australia's Victoria Crosses
Year 3 to Year 6

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Lesson objective

Students will demonstrate their ability to graph and interpret results.

National Curriculum Links

- Math [display a range of dates on a bar graph, interpret a bar graph]

Key Fact

Out of the 100 Victoria Crosses received by Australians, four were awarded to Royal Australian Air Force members. The Royal Australian Navy has not yet received a Victoria Cross, mainly because military action involving ships often means the loss of the entire ship, with few witnesses alive and able to describe the events within a set time period for the Victoria Cross award process to be set in motion.

Extension Activities

Discuss other way to graph the information. As a class create different tables and graphs using the same information and compare.

Task

A bar graph (as called a bar chart) is a graphical display of data using bars of different heights.

Create a bar graph using the following data:

Australia's Victoria Crosses

WAR	RECIPIENTS
Boer War [1899-1902]	6
World War I [1914-1918]	64
North Russia [1919]	2
World War II [1939-1945]	20
Vietnam [1962-1972]	4
Afghanistan [2001-2013]	4

Find out the names of as many Victoria Cross recipients as you can [www.anzacday.org.au/education/medals/vc/austlist.html].

Who was the first and last VC recipients and how did they earn the medal?