

Year 5 HASS Overview

Topic:
Participating in Australian
Communities



Communities – What are they?

A **community** is a population in a defined area. Within this defined population, people share something in common, such as shared space (like a rural or urban area) or membership of a social organisation (like a workplace or a cultural group). ... communities defined by shared space, for example, a suburb or town.



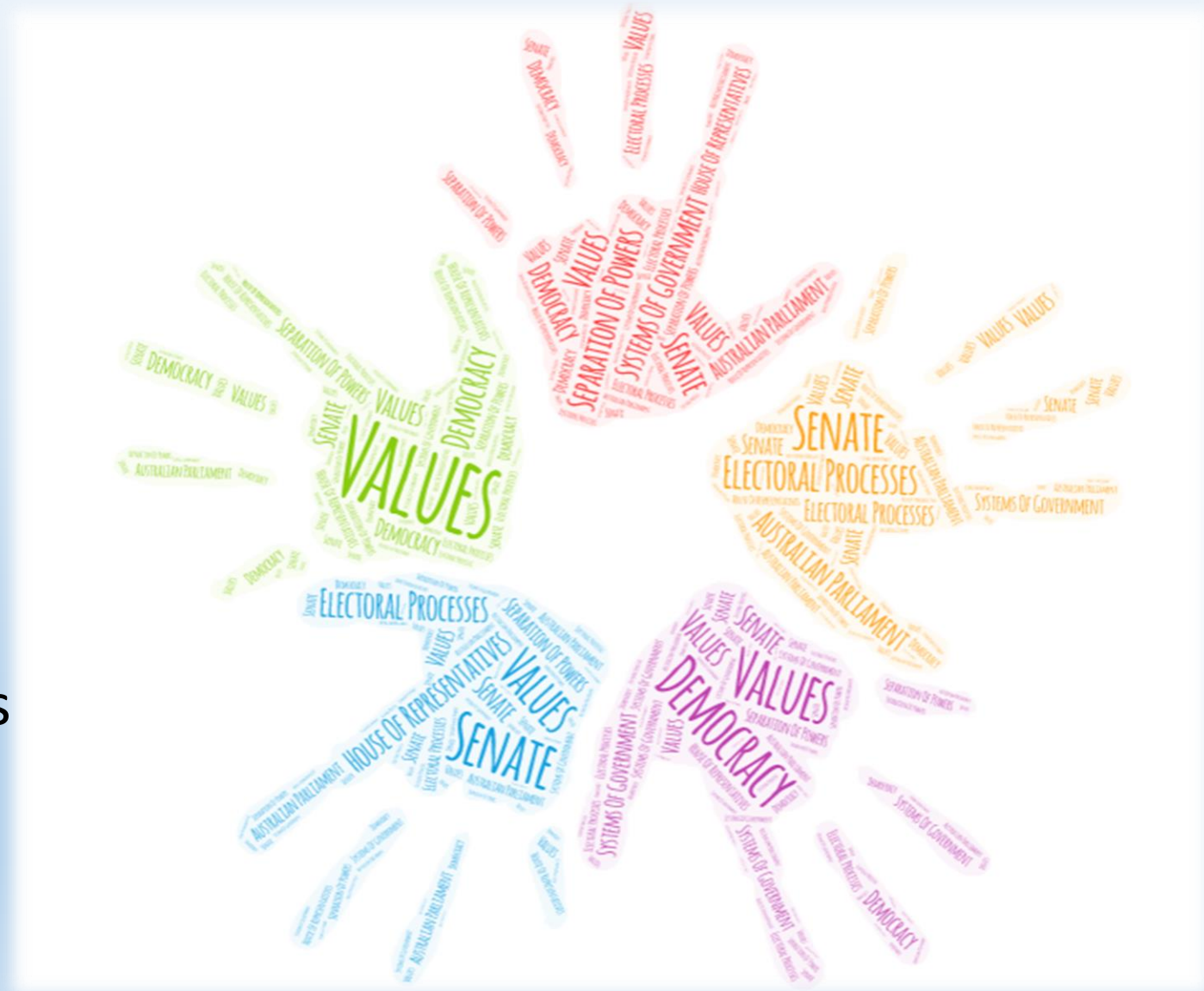
Why is a community important?

Communities play an **important** role in every aspect of our lives. ... Being a part of a **community** can make us feel as though we are a part of something greater than ourselves. It can give us opportunities to connect with people, to reach for our goals, and makes us feel safe and secure



Defining Key Words

- Values
- Democracy
- Processes – Electoral
- Systems of Government
- Australian Parliament
- Separation of Powers
- The House of Representatives
- The Senate



Elements to be covered...

- Key Values of Australians
- Exploring Australia's System of Government
- Electoral process and why it's important
- Explore the legal system
- Roles of people in the legal system
- Issues or challenges in an Australian community



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