EBSCO and the Australian Curriculum

Australia is committed to providing students with an interdisciplinary education that teaches them to manage their own well-being, make informed decisions, and become responsible, ethical citizens who can relate to and communicate across cultures at local, regional, and global levels.

To support classroom instruction, student research, and the integration of information technologies in Australian schools, EBSCO’s databases feature reliable, high-quality content from a number of popular and academic sources. These resources cover a vast array of subject areas and support the general capabilities described in the Australian Curriculum.

Integration of 21st Century Information Technologies

- Easy access to online resources anytime, anywhere, from any computer or mobile device
- Advanced search and retrieval options to help students quickly locate relevant resources

Multimodal Literacy

- Full-text articles from a variety of source types that…
  - facilitate close study of text structures
  - reflect multiple perspectives
  - encourage student inquiry
  - promote ethical and intercultural understanding
- Multimedia content, such as maps, graphs, charts, images, audio recordings, and videos

Tools for Differentiated Instruction

- Reading measures provide estimate of search result’s reading difficulty and the approximate reading ability level required for comprehension
- Text-to-speech for HTML articles provides alternative content delivery option

Additionally, EBSCOhost is the most widely used research platform in academic institutions around the world. Using EBSCO’s resources in support of the Australian Curriculum will ensure that graduates are well-prepared to excel with projects and research in the university environment.
The following EBSCO products are a few among many that can support the Australian Curriculum:

**Australia/New Zealand Reference Centre™ Plus**
This resource provides the largest collection of full-text articles from leading regional and international periodicals, reference books and biographies, as well as an image collection of more than one million photos, maps and flags. Topics include the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, Australian nationalism, politics and the media.

**Australia/New Zealand Points of View Reference Centre™**
Containing resources that present multiple sides of an issue, this database helps students better understand controversial issues, craft persuasive arguments and essays, and develop analytical thinking skills. The database includes viewpoints on the preservation of the Great Barrier Reef, gay marriage, compulsory voting, and other topics of interest to Australian students and educators.

**Science Reference Center™**
Designed to meet the STEM research needs of every student, this database contains thousands of full-text articles covering topics relevant to Australia’s science curriculum (plate tectonics, cell structures, energy, and technology innovation) as well as its mathematics curriculum (algebra, geometry, probability and statistics). In addition, teachers have easy access to engaging science experiments and lesson plans.

**Literary Reference Center™ Plus**
This comprehensive, full-text database provides students and teachers with the most relevant information on thousands of authors and their works across literary disciplines and timeframes. In addition, the database includes a research guide to assist with writing informative and persuasive texts—expectations described in Australia’s English curriculum.

**Poetry & Short Story Reference Center™**
This unique database provides a historically rich collection of classic and contemporary poems, short stories, biographies, and authoritative essays on such topics as poetic forms, movements, and techniques. Covered writers include Australians A. D. Hope, Henry Lawson, and others. Teachers can also find lesson plans that use content from the database.

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