Scenarios

Use these scenarios to help your students complete the Explore the three levels of government classroom activity.

Centenary of Parliament moving to Canberra
More than 500 000 people will visit Australia’s capital to celebrate the centenary of the federal Parliament’s move from Melbourne to Canberra. Celebrations will occur throughout the month of May, and include visits by important dignitaries.

Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Adelaide
The heads of the governments of the 16 nations that make up the Commonwealth will be meeting in Adelaide. The meeting will also be attended by members of the royal family and, of course, a large number of protestors.

Cyclone in the Northern Territory
A category 4 cyclone is just days away from the Northern Territory. It is going to hit Darwin, which has a population of more than 100 000 people. The winds are strong enough to destroy buildings, and the cyclone is likely to cause flooding across the city.

Bushfires in Tasmania
After a dry winter, a fire danger rating of ‘extreme’ has been declared across the state of Tasmania. Weather conditions are hot and windy, meaning that the danger could be upgraded to ‘catastrophic’ very quickly. Small fires have broken out near St Helen’s (population 1500) and may spread.

Olympics in Perth
Perth has won the bid to host the next summer Olympic Games. Athletes will be coming from all over the world to compete, and up to two million people may visit the city to watch the games over the five weeks.

Explosions in Melbourne
A series of explosions has occurred in the city of Melbourne—the Victorian Parliament, Flinders Street Station, and the Bourke Street Mall have all been targeted. People are panicking and the public transport system has been shut down.