## Geography Alive: Early Stage 1 Geography (Unit 3)

### Lesson 5: What activities happen at the Q Station?

#### Content focus:

In this lesson students explore the activities of the Q Station using the website and visual representations. They will be able to distinguish between past and current activities. This lesson concludes with students applying information about the activities of the Q Station to further develop their own representation about the Q Station from Lessons 3 and 4.

#### Resources:

- Q Station website: https://www.gstation.com.au/
- Resource Sheet 1: Photographs
- Resource Sheet 2: Q Station map
- Post-It-notes
- YouTube clip: Visit Q Station Retreat, Sydney Harbour National Park (1min) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqzwF26MAVw
- YouTube clip: Q Station Family Fun Day (2min 26 sec) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N7-BJX2JSBg
- A facility to capture and store student responses during the lesson so they can be added to and referred back to throughout the unit. This could be achieved through digital and/or non-digital means.

## **Key inquiry questions:**

• What are the activities occurring at the Q Station in the past and present?

# Outcomes:

- A student:
- distinguishes between activities past and present at Sydney's Q Station.
- describes at least one past activity occurring at the Q Station
- describes at least one current activity occurring at the Q Station.

#### Lesson sequence:

- **Step 1:** Introduce students to the key words (past activities, current activities). Review all the captured activities from Lessons 1 4 to refresh understanding, prompt further questions and discussion and to determine which previously posed questions have now been answered.
- Step 2: Complete a Think-Pair-Share activity where each pair has to identify, on post-it-notes, 2-3 activities they think occurred at the Q Station in the past, and 2-3 activities they think occur at the Q Station now. Students are encouraged to share their responses as part of a class discussion and put their Post-It notes on a designated wall, window or noticeboard (one section for past activities, one section for current activities)
- Step 3: The focus in this activity is the activities occurring at the Q Station? Have students watch the YouTube clip: Visit Q Station Retreat, Sydney Harbour National Park. Discuss the activities and agree on what they are, and whether they are past or current. Students can nominate themselves to add Post-It notes with the activities to the relevant Post-It note section.

Repeat the above activity with YouTube clip: Q Station Family Fun Day, the Resource Sheet 1 (Photographs), Resource Sheet 2 (PDF Q Station map), and through exploring the Q Station website [https://www.qstation.com.au/]

Teachers need to ensure the responses for the Think-Pair Share activity are captured and stored so that they can be added and referred to throughout the unit.

- Step 4: Representing the location and activities of Sydney's Q Station. Have students use the remainder of the lesson to decide how they are going to apply their learning about the activities of the Q Station to the representation they started in Lesson 3 and then continued in Lesson 4. The representation should be ready for presentation in Lesson 8. Time will also be available in Lesson 7 to work on this activity. This can be an individual or small group task.
- Step 5: Ask students to complete the following sentence in verbal or written (digital or paper) form: Two past activities occurring at the Q Station are... (and encourage students to provide some descriptive information about the chosen activities). Two current activities of the Q Station are... (and encourage students to provide some descriptive information about the chosen activities).