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| **The Asylum Seeker Problems**  Asylum seekers are people who arrive in Australia without permission from the government of Australia. The right of asylum is a big (contentious) issue in Australian politics. The 2 major parties in Australia argue the issue is a border control problem one and concerns the safety of those attempting to come to Australia by boat. Some Australian and international human rights organizations have suggested that Australia’s policies are “an appeal to fear and racism”. In 2015, Australia accepted about 13 750 refugees. | **Reconciliation**  Reconciliation in Australia is about an Australia that provides equal life chances for all. Reconciliation works to encourage all people to recognise and respect the special places, culture and contribution of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Australians. |
| **Domestic Violence**  Domestic or family violence is violence against women mainly (and men and children also) that is physically, sexually or psychologically abusive. It is believed that up to 1 in 5 women currently experience some kind of domestic violence every year in Australia. | **Caring for the Environment**  Caring for the environment is about looking after the area of the world we live in so we have clean air and water and a safe environment. Some people look after the environment so that it is available for recreational and aesthetic purposes but most people believe that it is important to care and preserve our environment for the benefit of future generations. |