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Set 1: Elective 1: Australia 1918–1955**Source 1**

(Extracts from a speech made by Prime Minister Billy Hughes in October 1919 prior to the general election that year.)

The policy of the Government towards Australian industries, new and old, can be once more set forth. We believe in Australia. We believe there stretches before her a great future, that she is destined to become a mighty nation. We have come through dark days ... We must develop our resources, provide employment for our young men ...

We must enter on a long period of reconstruction—wherein capital will be scarce, interest high, wages and materials costly. Australia is a young, growing nation, requiring both capital and men for the development of her boundless resources; burdened with a huge debt; faced with great responsibilities ...

Fellow citizens, I appeal to all of you who love your country to forget your ancient party differences and stand side by side in this crisis ... On the welfare of Australia depends the welfare of every citizen ... The times call for united action ...

Source 2

(Selected economic data for the period 1918–1921.)

	Gross domestic product (GDP) (£ million)	Agricultural output (£ million)	Unemployment rate (%)	Number of industrial disputes/strikes
1918	322.6	112.4	5.8	298
1919	328.9	101.6	6.6	460
1920	310.4	83.3	6.5	554
1921	379.1	89.8	11.2	624

Source 3

(Cartoon entitled 'Excelsior!' appearing in *The Bulletin* in April 1942. John Curtin is depicted at the top attaching the flag, the men dragging him down are the State Premiers.)

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economy.html](https://john.curtin.edu.au/aspirations/economy.html)

Source 4

(Extracts from *The Sydney Morning Herald*, 18 August 1947.)

The Federal Government's decision to nationalise Australia's private banks has shocked the business world ...

Leading industrialists and others said yesterday that the proposed banking monopoly would endanger the nation's economy and threaten private enterprise and individual liberty ... Having been thwarted by the High Court last week in an attempt to coerce¹ local government bodies into transferring their banking business to the Commonwealth Bank, the Chifley Government now casts moderation to the winds by deciding to abolish independent banks entirely. Politically, financially and economically, this move to set up a close banking monopoly is one of the most revolutionary in the history of the country. Yet the Prime Minister with casual and contemptuous² unconcern for the opinions of the public, contents himself with a curt announcement of Cabinet's astounding and unexpected decision, without condescending one word to explain or justify it ...

¹ coerce: to persuade someone to do something using force or threats

² contemptuous: showing scorn or contempt

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Set 2: Elective 2: Russia and the Soviet Union 1914–1945**Source 1**

(Extracts from a speech made by Lenin, 25 April 1921, describing elements of the New Economic Policy. The speech was recorded and distributed widely across the Russian and the Soviet Republics.)

The surplus-food appropriation¹ system has been replaced by a tax in kind. The All-Russia Central Executive Committee has issued a decree to that effect.

... The tax in kind amounts to only about one-half of the surplus-grain appropriation rate ... Every peasant will know the exact amount of tax he has to pay beforehand, that is, in the spring. This will reduce the abuses in tax collection. It will be an incentive for the peasant to cultivate a larger area, to improve his farm, and try to raise yields.

This country has been devastated unbelievably first by the Tsarist war, and then by the Civil War, that is, by the landowners' and capitalists' invasion against the Soviet power of workers and peasants. The national economy must be put on its feet at all costs. And the first thing to do is to restore, consolidate and improve peasant farming.

The tax in kind will help to improve peasant farming. The peasants will now set to work on their farms with greater confidence and with a will, and that is the main thing.

¹appropriation: to take something for your use, usually without permission.

Source 2

(Russian economic statistics from a table entitled 'Agriculture in Russia, 1913–25 from an Australian school textbook published in 1987.)

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(Soviet poster produced in 1931 showing two businessmen being crushed by a giant number five, The poster reads: 'The Victory of the Five-Year Plan is a Strike Against Capitalism.')

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Set 3: Elective 3: China 1935–1989

Source 1

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Source 2

(Data adapted from the National Bureau of Statistics of China and the World Bank. The World Bank provides loans to governments of low and middle-income countries to fund infrastructure.)

	Poverty rate in rural areas ¹ (% of rural population)	Farming output ¹ (100 million yuan)	Industrial output ¹ (100 million yuan)	Foreign investment into the Chinese economy ² (US \$ billion)
1978	33.1	1117	4237	0.000 8 (1979)
1985	15.5	2506	9716	1.66
1995	7.6	11 887	91 894	35.85
1998	4.8	14 242	119 048	45.64

¹ Data from the National Bureau of Statistics of China

² Data from the World Bank

Source 3

(A government poster published in February 1987. The title is 'Special Economic Zones – China's Great Open Door'. The image includes the flags of many foreign countries including Australia, United States of America, United Kingdom, Japan and Germany.)

**Source 4**

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Set 4: Elective 1: The changing European world since 1945**Source 1**

(President John F. Kennedy overlooking the Berlin Wall, accompanied by West German politicians. The platform was specially made for his visit in June 1963. The image was taken by the official White House photographer.)

**Source 2**

(Extract from his speech in the Bundestag¹ concerning the building of the Berlin Wall, by the Governing Mayor of Berlin, Willy Brandt on 18 August 1961.)

The fact that I appear before you today on behalf of the State of Berlin is a reflection of the extraordinary position in which we now find ourselves. It is not just Berlin that concerns us here, it is the cold menace which has settled over the other part of Germany and the Eastern sector of my city, as it once did over Hungary. You have all seen the pictures of the barbed wire, concrete posts and concrete walls, the tanks ... What has happened is a howling injustice, nothing less. Just think of the countless human tragedies that have unfolded over the last few days.

A city which, although administratively divided, still had thousands of connections linking its two parts every day, has had concrete stakes driven right through its heart to form a border, a kind of Great Wall of China. Something which should be a single whole has been further divided, is being brutally destroyed. The right of freedom of movement has been trampled underfoot. Yet it is a most fundamental human right to be able to flee from one country to another. How much more fundamental is the right to be able to flee within a single country and a single city.

¹ Bundestag: West German Lower House of Parliament

Source 3

(Cartoon published in a French newspaper on 16 November 1989, a week after the fall of the Berlin Wall. Federal German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is speaking to British Prime Minister Thatcher and French President Mitterrand. The caption translates as 'Honestly, you've got nothing to worry about ...')

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Set 5: Elective 2: Australia's engagement with Asia**Source 1**

(An official Australian photograph of Gough Whitlam's departure from China in 1973.)

**Source 2**

(An extract from Prime Minister Harold Holt's speech in Parliament on 8 March 1966. This extract was then sent to Australian embassies around the world.)

The Government has been making a review of the restrictive aspects of our immigration policy. Australia's increasing involvement in Asian developments, the rapid growth of our trade with Asian countries, our participation on a larger scale in an increasing number of aid projects in the area, the considerable number of Asian students – now well over 12 000 – in Australia, receiving education, the expansion of our military effort, and the scale of diplomatic contact, the growth of tourism to and from the countries of Asia, combine to make such a review desirable in our eyes ...

Following our most recent review, the Government has decided on some modification and a degree of liberalisation. Under current policy, a non-European admitted a long-term entry permit, must complete 15 years in Australia before applying for resident status and Australian citizenship. We have decided that, in future, application can be made in these cases after five years, the same period as applies for naturalisation¹ application by settlers from Europe.

¹ naturalisation: the admittance of a foreigner to the citizenship of a country

Source 3

(Cartoon entitled 'Moved' appearing in The Australian Herald Sun in July 1984. Bob Hawke is depicted inside the gun barrel. The caption reads 'I will not be moved by intimidation!')



"I WILL NOT BE MOVED BY INTIMIDATION!!"

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Set 6: Elective 3: The struggle for peace in the Middle East**Source 1**

(Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, U.S. President Jimmy Carter, and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin clasp hands at the White House after signing the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel. Published in The New York Times, 26 March 1979.)

**Source 2**

(An extract from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's speech to the Knesset [Israeli Parliament] in November 1977.)

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Source 3

(Cartoon published in an Israeli newspaper in 1974. The caption reads 'Team Israel vs the Rest of the World'. Depicted are Golda Meir (coach), United Nations Secretary General (umpire), on the left representing the 'Rest of the World' are Brezhnev, Sadat, Kissinger and King Hussein, on the right are Israeli politicians. The scoreboard is 'Rest of the World' 19 v 'Israel' 74.)

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