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Australian Deputy PM disqualified over dual citizenship

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THE READING

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Australia's deputy leader was disqualified from his position because he had dual citizenship when he was elected. Australia's constitution prohibits dual nationals from being elected because they are a "subject or citizen of a foreign power". Australia's ruling National Party* has just 75 seats in the 150-seat House of Representatives. The deputy leader could return to office in the future because he renounced his New Zealand citizenship.

The deputy leader said the decision showed Australia's democratic values. He said: "I respect the verdict of the court....It has given us all the freedoms we see." He added: "The decision...is clearly not the outcome we were hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians believe the dual citizenship laws should change. Around 28 per cent of Australians were born overseas. Many have a family history that entitles them to dual citizenship.

*CORRECTION: Australia's current government is a coalition between the Liberal Party and the National Party. The Prime Minister is Malcolm Turnbull from the Liberal Party. Barnaby Joyce is from the National Party.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. disqualified | a. in the future |
| 2. when he was | b. from being elected |
| 3. Australia's | c. elected |
| 4. prohibits dual nationals | d. New Zealand citizenship |
| 5. a subject or citizen of a | e. constitution |
| 6. the 150-seat House | f. from his position |
| 7. return to office | g. of Representatives |
| 8. he renounced his | h. foreign power |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. democratic | a. of Australians |
| 2. I respect the | b. goes on |
| 3. not the outcome we were | c. to dual citizenship |
| 4. the business of government | d. values |
| 5. the dual citizenship laws should | e. overseas |
| 6. Around 28 per cent | f. verdict |
| 7. born | g. change |
| 8. entitles them | h. hoping for |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Australia's deputy leader (1) _____ his position because he had dual citizenship when (2) _____. Australia's constitution prohibits dual nationals (3) _____ because they are a "subject or citizen of (4) _____ ". Australia's ruling National Party has just (5) _____ the 150-seat House of Representatives. The deputy leader could (6) _____ in the future because he renounced his New Zealand citizenship.

The deputy leader said (7) _____ Australia's democratic values. He said: "I (8) _____ of the court....It has given us all the freedoms we see." He added: "The (9) _____ not the outcome we were hoping for, but the business of government goes on." Many Australians (10) _____ citizenship laws should change. Around 28 per cent of Australians (11) _____. Many have a family history that (12) _____ dual citizenship.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DUAL CITIZENSHIP SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about dual citizenship in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

