Australian Government Quiz Answers

Name Australia’s first prime minister. Sir Edmund Barton

Name as many Australian prime ministers as you can.


How many levels of Government does Australia have and what are they? 3 levels Federal, State and Local

What is Federation? The joining together of the 6 Australian colonies to form a nation with a central government to manage the interests of the nation. The states would retain power over their own state affairs.

When did the Australian states become federated? 1st January 1901

Name your local federal electoral area and member.

Which prime minister was in power for the following historical events:
  - World War 1 Joseph Cook, Andrew Fisher and William Hughes
  - The Depression James Scullin
  - World War 2 Sir Robert Menzies
  - The Vietnam War Sir Robert Menzies, Harold Holt, John Gorton, William McMahon and Gough Whitlam
  - The war in Afghanistan John Howard, Kevin Rudd and Julia Gillard

What constitutional crisis occurred in the time of Gough Whitlam?
Governor General Sir John Kerr dismissed Gough Whitlam’s government when the Senate controlled by the Opposition blocked supply (government budget bills) and called for an election.

Which prime minister remained in office for only 8 days? Francis Forde

Which prime ministers died in office? Joseph Lyons, John Curtin and Harold Holt

Who said, “Life wasn’t meant to be easy,”? Malcolm Fraser

Which prime minister could speak Mandarin? Kevin Rudd

Who has so far been the longest serving prime minister of Australia? Sir Robert Menzies

Who is the first woman to be prime minister? Julia Gillard