

Female Migration

Why were women migrating to NSW during the 1800s?



CREATIVE ARTS ACTIVITY

Stage 3 | Creative Arts | Making VAS3.1; VAS3.2; Appreciating VAS3.4 | ACHASSK109

To complete the activity you will need:

- to choose the different materials you want to use
- design what your brooch looks like
- create it so it's ready to wear

Objective:

To create a brooch that is inspired by the story of the Irish orphans and their experience of migrating to Australia.

Stimulus to draw on:

- patterns on women's dresses
- personal items - brooches
- what you have learned about female migration

Step 1

Choose the different materials you would like to use. Your brooch could be made from:

- fabric
- cardboard
- paper

Or anything else you think will work and more than one art material is encouraged!

Step 2

Do a pencil sketch of what you want it to look like - include as much detail as you can.

Consider:

- what will you use to pin it to your shirt or jacket?
- how big or small will it be?
- how will you decorate it?

Step 3

Present your design to the class (or a small group) for some feedback.

- Does it meet the activity's objective?

Step 4

Get started making, be creative and then wear it in honour of the women who migrated to NSW in search of a better life.

Need some inspiration?

Check out these weblinks for easy-to-make brooch ideas and materials:

- [DIY Brooches: 30 ways to jazz up your fashion](#)
- [10 Handmade brooches and pins](#)
- [Make DIY embroidered badges](#)
- [DIY shrinkplastic brooches](#)
- [DIY fabric flower brooch](#)
- [Decorative paper brooch tutorial](#)