

Topic 8: What makes a hero?

Work Sheet 8A: Websearch for Civilian Heroes

Go to each of the websites www.anzacsite.gov.au and www.w2australia.gov.au and search using terms such as 'award', 'bravery', 'medal', 'hero' and the names of the awards, such as 'Cross of Valour'.

Other web sites that may be useful are:

www.awm.gov.au/encyclopedia/
www.itsanhonour.gov.au/honours_announcements.html
www.defence.gov.au/dpe/dpe_site/honours_awards/resources/forms/policy/cm09_00.pdf

Go online to find a civilian recipient for each of the Australian Awards for Bravery described below. These awards were introduced in 1975. Record the name of the recipient, the date of their award and provide a brief description of the action which won the award.

Cross of Valour

The Cross of Valour is awarded only for acts of the most conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme peril. It may be awarded both to the military and civilians.

Recipient _____

Date of award _____

Action which earned the award _____

Star of Courage

The Star of Courage is awarded for acts of conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme peril. It may be awarded both to the military and civilians.

Recipient _____

Date of award _____

Action which earned the award _____

Bravery Medal

The Bravery Medal is awarded for acts of bravery in hazardous circumstances. It may be awarded both to the military and civilians.

Recipient _____

Date of award _____

Action which earned the award _____

Commendation for Brave Conduct

The Commendation for Brave Conduct is awarded for other acts of bravery which are considered worthy of recognition.

Recipient _____

Date of award _____

Action which earned the award _____

Group Bravery Citation

The Group Bravery Citation, instituted in 1990, is awarded for a collective act of bravery by a group of persons in extraordinary circumstances that is considered worthy of recognition.

Recipient _____

Date of award _____

Action which earned the award _____
