

# Perspectives on the Pacific

1.



"I loved walking the Kokoda track and the snorkelling. I'm going to tell my friends what an incredible place this is to visit!"

2.



"We are working with local communities to improve their access to safe, clean water. It is really helping their health and living conditions."

"I've moved into the city looking for work, but I can't find anything. I'm getting bored hanging around and I've started drinking alcohol. I miss my home in the highlands."

4.



"We just want enough, plus a little more good clothes, a tin roof and to be able to send our children to school."

5.



"The Pacific is Australia's neighbourhood. We are the biggest and wealthiest nation in the region and have a special responsibility in the Pacific. We need to understand our neighbours and work with them to help improve the lives of their people."

3.



"Australia means well. You want us to be stable, peaceful and not corrupt. Sometimes, we wish it was a more equal relationship and you really tried to respect our independence."

6.



## For You To Do!

1. Identify the person most likely to express the view or perspective above by placing the corresponding number below.

- PNG teenager
- Australian politician
- Australian tourist
- Aid worker
- PNG politician
- PNG mother

2. In groups of six, take on each of the perspectives above and conduct a community meeting to develop a 10-point plan to improve the living conditions of people in PNG.