

TEXT H: A voyage to Australia

Background information

Year 9 and 10 students (including Kisato and Liam) are on a school excursion to an Australian history museum. Museum employee Mick is telling them about how people travelled to Australia in the 1830s.

QUESTIONS

- a** Mick states that in the 1830s the voyage could take four or five months. Why might the length of time have varied? 1 mark

- b** In which part of the ship did steerage passengers stay? 1 mark

- c** Mick compares the experiences of steerage passengers and cabin-class passengers. In the table below, identify the differences. 4 marks

	steerage passengers	cabin-class passengers
beds		
food		

- d** Give **one** reason why people became ill on sea voyages, and **one** reason why there were not many deaths. 2 marks

- e** Why does Mick suggest that some people did **not** read books on the voyage? 1 mark

- f** In what way were the steerage passengers like modern immigrants? 1 mark
