The six hour professional development program will be held in 2010 in each state. Please check the Community Languages Australia website for details: www.communitylanguagesaustralia.org.au

Participants will receive a Certificate of Participation on attendance of BOTH sessions. They will also receive a resource kit for themselves and kits for their schools to use with appropriate classes. The workshops will be held in English. Participants MUST have a good level of English (speaking and writing).

In the first instance, workshops will be limited to one Resource Leader per school (for schools with more than three classes of students ranging from 11-15 years old an additional Resource Leader will be accepted).

There will be limited number of 25 places for the workshops. Resource Leaders need to be nominated by the Principal of each school.

### Please contact Mr. Fahry Abubaker with the following details:

- 1. Nominated Resource Leader Name
- 2. School
- 3. Principal's Name
- 4. Contact Address
- 5. Contact Email
- 6. Contact Phone
- 7. Number of students at the school
- 8. Number of students at the school aged 11-15
- 9. Language/s taught

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# Being Me: Knowing You

# A new curriculum resource

Developed by the Australian Human Rights Commission and Community Languages Australia.







## Being Me: Knowing You

The resource has been designed to assist students develop language skills while working on a real life issue.

The materials take students through a story of Muna and her friends as they learn about human rights and the effect of discrimination on those rights.



## The resource

These activities have been specially designed to interest students and help them work on their writing, speaking, listening and reading skills in the second language. The curriculum resource has been especially written for the teacher and student of the community languages sector. The teacher manual helps teachers organise their lessons and provides all the tasks needed for the students to work on, as well as ideas for further language work.

### How can a teacher learn more about working with this resource?

A professional development will be held around Australia for teachers implementing the materials. Also there is a unique opportunity for you to become the *Being Me: Knowing You* Resource Leader at your school and lead the professional development of others at your school.

#### The role of the Resource Leader

Schools are invited to participate by nominating a representative to be a Resource Leader for the school.

A special professional development program has been developed for Resource Leaders to learn about how to implement the resource in their schools. It covers aspects such as:

- creating a positive learning environment
- capturing student curiosity and motivation
- bringing the text materials to life in the classroom
- creating student thinkers
- developing fun resources for the classroom
- classroom management strategies
- assessing student progress
- evaluating learning programs
- engaging the school community
- challenging students to learn
- developing teaching skills.

The skills learnt in the professional development program by the Resource Leader will then help with other aspects of teaching work and it is expected that the Resource Leader will train other teachers in the school.

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