

Activity 1.

This activity has 3 parts.

Part 1 - Evaluates your reasons for staying in Australia or for going home.

Part 2 – Evaluates how prepared you are to go home.

Part 3 – Examines you life's priorities

Read the instructions below.

(For Christian students who have a choice to stay or to go home) do Part 1 and 2.

(For Christian students who have to go home after your course : ie You don't have a choice) do Part 2 only.

(For non-Christians) do Part 1 and Part 3 only.

Part 1 – (Are you going home or staying in Australia?)

Are you more likely to go home or to stay in Australia, or are you undecided?

- a. I am going home.
- b. I am staying in Australia.
- c. I don't know yet.

What are your reasons for wanting to stay in Australia?

- a. For security reasons (not safe in my own country)
- b. For better jobs opportunities.
- c. I like the lifestyle in Australia.
- d. I don't like my country.
- e. It is easier to be a Christian in Australia.
- f. Others (please specify)

What are your reasons for choosing to go home?

- a. I don't feel at home in Australia.
- b. I want to be with my family.
- c. Better opportunities for work.
- d. I feel more at home in my country.
- e. I want to be used by God to serve the Gospel.

Review of Part 1.

Looking at your answers above ,how much do you think your choices are motivated by worldliness or by a desire to see the Gospel prosper?

Part 2: Evaluation.

Answer these questions to the best of your ability. If you are not sure how to answer the question then give your best estimate. There are 2 sections Q1 is one section , Q2-12 is another section. Just answer the questions and the explanation will follow.

Rate on a scale of 1 to 5. 1 is the lowest and 5 is the highest. 1 2 3 4 5

1. In your own opinion, how prepared are you to go home ? Score

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| 2. How well can you read the Bible in your own language? | Score | <input type="text"/> | |
| 3. How well can you pray in your own language? | Score | <input type="text"/> | |
| 4. How well can you explain your faith in your own language? | Score | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| 5. How well connected to a church in your home country? | Score | | <input type="text"/> |
| 6. How long have you been a Christian? 1yr 2yr 3yr 4yr (5yr and more) | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 7. How supportive are your family or parents towards your faith?
1- not supportive , 5 - very supportive | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 8. How easy is it to be a Christian in your country? 1 - not easy , 5 - very easy
(are there any persecution or restrictions, corruption) | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 9. In terms of working conditions, how difficult will your job be for you?
1- very difficult , 5 not difficult
(working hours, demanding boss etc) | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 10. While you were studying in Australia, how much initiative did you have in
a. being regular at church or Focus?
1- none , 2- seldom, 3-sometimes, 4-most times 5 - all the time | | | <input type="text"/> |
| b. being welcoming and making friends ?
1- none , 2, 3, 4,5 | | | <input type="text"/> |
| c. persevering at Focus and church even when you had other pressures ?
1- none, 2 , 3 ,4, 5 | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 11. How much do you like your own native culture, heritage and language?
1 – very little 5- love it a lot | | | <input type="text"/> |
| 12. How much independence do you have over your own life ?
1 – very little , 5 – total independence | | | <input type="text"/> |
| | Total Q2-Q12only | | <input type="text"/> |
| | Average total/13 | | <input type="text"/> |

Evaluation of Part 2.

Add all your scores from question 2-12 (do not add question 1) and divide the total with 13 to get an average score.

Compare your average score with the score you gave yourself in Question 1.

This will show you how prepared you are to go home with how much you think you are prepared.

If the average score is between 1-3 then you are not quite ready to go home

If the average score is between 3-5 then you are prepared to go home.

If there is a big difference between your score in Q1 with the average score of Q2-12 then you have overestimated or underestimated how ready you are to go home.

Part 3 (For Non Christians only)

1. What is most important to you?

2. Put the following list of things in your life in order of priority.

family, career, security , wealth, God, church, entertainment, friends.

3. What is preventing you from being a follower of Jesus Christ?

4. Why is Jesus and Christianity attractive to you?

5. What will convince you to admit your own sin and ask Jesus to forgive your sins?