

**1076 NADI SANGAM SCHOOL**  
**YEAR 7**  
**SOCIAL SCIENCE WORKSHEET 3**

<b>Strand</b>	<b>Understanding the Past</b>
<b>Sub Strand</b>	What is History?
<b>Content Learning Outcome</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Explain what is History.</b></li><li>□ <b>Identify and collect information on the establishment of people in the Pacific.</b></li></ul>

**What is History?**

1. History is:
  - ✓ the study of the past
  - ✓ like a bridge connecting the past to future
  - ✓ record prepared by past historians
  - ✓ understanding one's identity and customs
  - ✓ record of changing lives of people through time

**Why is History Important?**

- It enables us to learn from our mistakes.
- It makes us understand why things are as they are now.
- It enables me to understand who I am and where I come from.

1. Many Pacific countries were ruled once by another country.
2. When a country is taken over and ruled by another country, it is called colonisation.
3. A colony is a country ruled and governed by another country.
4. Fiji is a multi-cultural country with many races of people living together.
5. The indigenous name of the islands is Viti, an Austronesian word meaning "east" or "sunrise."
6. Ethnic Fijians call themselves Kai Viti ("the people of Viti") or iTaukei ("the owners of the land").
7. People from different parts of India, now called Fijians, settled in parts of Viti Levu and work as indentured laborers on sugar plantations.
8. After their term of service, many remained in Fiji. Some became merchants and business-people; others remained on the land as free peasant cultivators.
9. The early immigrants were joined later by freely-migrating people from India's merchant castes, mostly from Gujarat.

10. European immigrants came primarily from Australia, New Zealand, and Great Britain.

**Activity:**

1. What is History?
2. Why is History important?
3. What is colonization?
4. What is a multicultural country?
5. What do you mean by 'Kai Viti'?
6. Where did the Indentured Laborers come to Fiji from?
7. Where did the Europeans immigrants come to Fiji from?