

Melanoma – a young person's disease



Suggested year level

Years 9 and 10

Prepare yourself (teacher)

View the *Wes Bonny* clip and familiarise yourself with the ideas presented.

Class resources

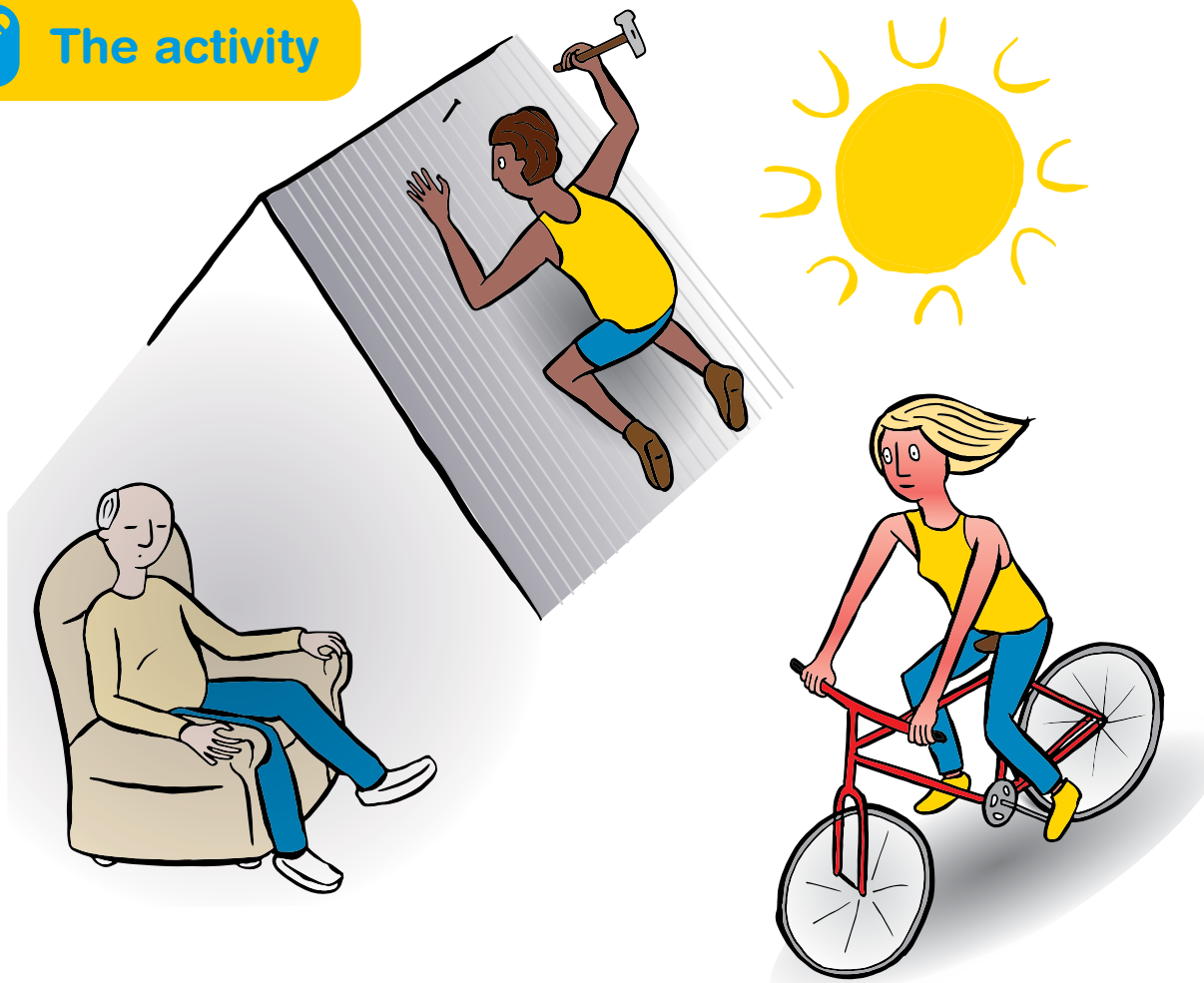
- Computer, data projector and screen to show the *Wes Bonny* clip.
- Student computer access with internet connection.

Estimated time required

2 periods



The activity



1 View the *Wes Bonny* clip.

2 Using the internet, research responses to the following questions:

- Find data/information on skin cancer statistics for the age group 15–30 years. (Hint: You can use the websites of Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Cancer Council).
- Identify statistics for both males and females. Which gender is over represented in this age group?
- Identify the types of skin cancers represented in the above age group.
- How do adolescent/young adults compare to older Australians in skin cancer prevalence?

3 Summarise your research by writing a response to the following question: *Why are young people particularly at risk of skin cancer?*



Teacher assessment advice

Students should be assessed based upon their accuracy of responses and research techniques to find the most up-to-date data.