

WHO OWNS THE CHAIN?

“Somebody owns every link. Sometimes it's one person with a ute. Sometimes it's a million people at once.”



YOUR ROLE TODAY: OWNERSHIP DETECTIVE

Your circular flow diagram says “businesses” like they're all the same animal. They're not. Today you learn to tell a one-ute outfit from a company owned by millions. Then you finish the unit: build the whole chain, with owners named at every link.

THE BHP QUESTION — LOCK YOUR GUESS

BHP runs some of the biggest mining operations on Earth. **Who owns it?** Lock your guess before the reveal:

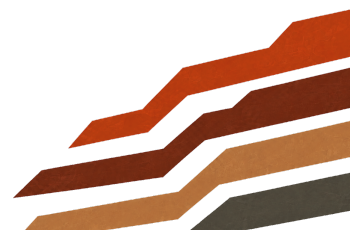
My guess: BHP is owned by _____

The reveal, in my words — and could my family own a piece of it without knowing?

THE OWNERSHIP LADDER — FILL EACH RUNG AS JOAN'S STORY CLIMBS

RUNG	WHO OWNS IT?	WHO DECIDES?	WHO KEEPS PROFIT?	WHO CARRIES THE RISK?
Sole trader				
Partnership				
Private company (Pty Ltd)				
Public listed company				

Pty Ltd is the trap of the day: “proprietary” means PRIVATE — its shares are not for sale to the public, no matter how official the name sounds.



■ THE SPECTRUM — HOW THE PLACEMENT ROUND WORKS

- 1 **Four corners of the room become the four rungs** — sole trader, partnership, Pty Ltd, listed company. Your teacher labels them.
- 2 **Your team gets business cards.** For each card: read the clues, agree a rung, and one teammate physically stands the card at that corner.
- 3 **Defend on demand.** Any team can challenge any placement. The card's clues are the only admissible evidence — point to the words that prove your rung.
- 4 **Log every placement below** — including the ones you got wrong and moved. Moved cards with reasons earn more respect than lucky guesses.

BUSINESS CARD	OUR RUNG	THE CLUE THAT PROVES IT (QUOTE IT)

THE DETECTIVE'S TELLS — WRITE ONE FOR EACH RUNG

How I'd spot a **sole trader** in the wild: _____

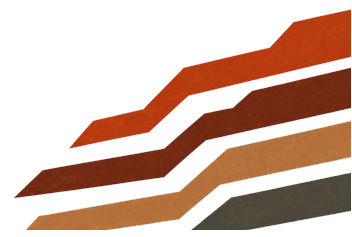
A **partnership**: _____

A **Pty Ltd**: _____

A **listed company**: _____

Ten cards, ten rows — log them all. The co-operative goes wherever your argument can defend it.

The card our team argued about longest — and what settled it:



THE SUMMATIVE LAUNCHES — YOUR SUPPLY CHAIN MAP

Everything this unit taught goes onto one page: **one commodity, traced from a WA deposit to a consumer's hands.** (A commodity is a resource that is bought and sold.) Draw every stage. Name a real job at each. Name the owner-type along the way, and tell the price story at two points. Your Assessment Pack has the full brief and the rubric. Plan the skeleton now:

My commodity (circle or write): iron ore · lithium · gold · nickel · bauxite/aluminium · LNG · other: _____

STAGE	WHAT HAPPENS (ONE LINE)	A REAL JOB HERE	OWNERSHIP TYPE HERE
1 · Exploration			
2 · Extraction			
3 · Processing			
4 · Shipping			
5 · Manufacture			

Tool I'll build it in: ☐ Canva ☐ PowerPoint ☐ Word ☐ paper template · File name:

Surname_Commodity_Chain

EXIT TICKET — THE DETECTIVE SIGNS OFF

1. The difference between a Pty Ltd and a listed company, in one sentence a parent would understand:

2. Why would Joan ever give up owning 100% of her own business? What does she get back?

3. My map is due: _____ · What I still need to find, and where I'll check it:

SKILLS I USED TODAY — TICK WHAT'S TRUE

☐ followed a business up the ladder · ☐ placed real companies with quoted evidence · ☐ changed a placement when the evidence won · ☐ planned a five-stage chain with owners named · ☐ explained shares so a parent would get it

