

Teacher's Note

Phobias

acrophobia - fear of heights

aerophobia - fear of flying

ailurophobia - fear of cats

claustrophobia - fear of being in closed places

nyctophobia - fear of the dark

triskaidekaphobia - fear of the number 13

Collectors

phillumenist - person who collects matchbox labels

philatelist - stamp collector

bibliophile - person who collects books

antiquary - antique collector

hoarder - person who collects anything for future use

Suggested Activities:

- ❖ Make small groups and have students write a short play incorporating a phobia or a collector. They could present their play to the rest of the class, to parents or on a school promotion day.
- ❖ Students could write a story about their own phobia or write about someone else who has a phobia. This can be fictitious or non-fictitious.
- ❖ Have a discussion about people with phobias and explain why we shouldn't make fun of them.
- ❖ Encourage one of the students to bring their collection of 'things' to school if possible or bring your own.
- ❖ Check out the exhaustive phobia list on: <http://phobialist.com/>
- ❖ Visit: <http://www.hyperhistory.com/>
- ❖ Visit: <http://geography.miningco.com/>

Learning area: Eng. **Strands:** V, R, W. **Substrands:** V 1,2,3,4. R1,2,3,4. W 1,2,3,4.

Overarching: 1,3,6,10,12,13 **Linking learning area:** S&E