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## **ACTIVITY 3: HDI COMPARISONS**

a) Use the UNDP HD Report 2014 to find a country (or countries) of similar HDI to the indigenous population (such as Peru, currently ranked 82nd in the world).

b) Use the CIA World Factbook website at https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/ to select country similar in HDI to Indigenous Australians, then select 'People and society' and find data on maternal mortality, infant mortality, life expectancy, health expenditure, obesity rates, literacy and school life expectancy.

To help find Indigenous Australian data visit

- Indigenous literacy Foundation: http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/what-is-indigenous-literacy.html
- Australian Indigenous Health Info Net: Table 1 (last line of data):
  http://www.healthinfonet.ecu.edu.au/health-risks/overweight-obesity/reviews/our-review
- Australian Indigenous Health Info Net: Table 2 (2nd last line of data), Table 5 & Table 8: http://www.healthinfonet.ecu.edu.au/health-facts/overviews/mortality

Tabulate this data using the table below.

INDICATOR	INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS	COUNTRY OF SIMILAR HDI
Maternal mortality		
Infant mortality		
Life expectancy		
Health expenditure		
Obesity rates		
Literacy		
School life expectancy		

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c) Compare and contrast the indicators of both population groups.
d) Suggest possible reasons for the similarities and differences in the indicators above.
e) Outline the possible health status of the populations of the two countries explored above.