HELPING OTHERS IN DIFFICULT TIMES

Note: Stage 2 to complete as a class

1. Use the words in the box to complete the story below.

Paris	200	winters	inequality	jobs
friends	unfairly	queen	streets	33

In the late 1700s, there was a big war in France that caused the king and _____ to be overthrown and a new leader to take over. It was a time of many changes for France. One of those changes was the creation of new social classes, where rich people and poor people were kept separate and had different rights.

Most citizens of France were disadvantaged and there was a lot of _____. This was the country that Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the St Vincent de Paul Society, was born into.

In 18_____, Frederic was a 20-year-old university student living in _____. One day, when he saw people begging on the _____, he stopped and thought: "how can I help? What can I do?"

He gathered his _____ together and they started brainstorming on how they could help the people living in poverty who were treated so _____ by the French society.

Frederic and his friends started giving firewood to poor families, helping them to keep warm and healthy during the freezing cold French _____. They found comfort in helping others.

Nearly _____ years have passed, but today in Australia, we still see people living in poverty. Many people suffer from losing their _____, poor health, and loneliness because they live on their own or don't have a strong community to support them.

2. How might Fred and his friends help out in Australia today? Draw a picture of one of the following ideas, or come up with your own!

- Deliver a food hamper to someone who's lost their job
- Send a card or call someone who lives by themselves
- Donate good-quality blankets and winter clothing to Vinnies
- Say a prayer, and talk to your classmates or teacher about how they're coping

VINNIES COVID-19 WINTER APPEAL – STAGE 2-3 ACTIVITY

Vinnies
good works