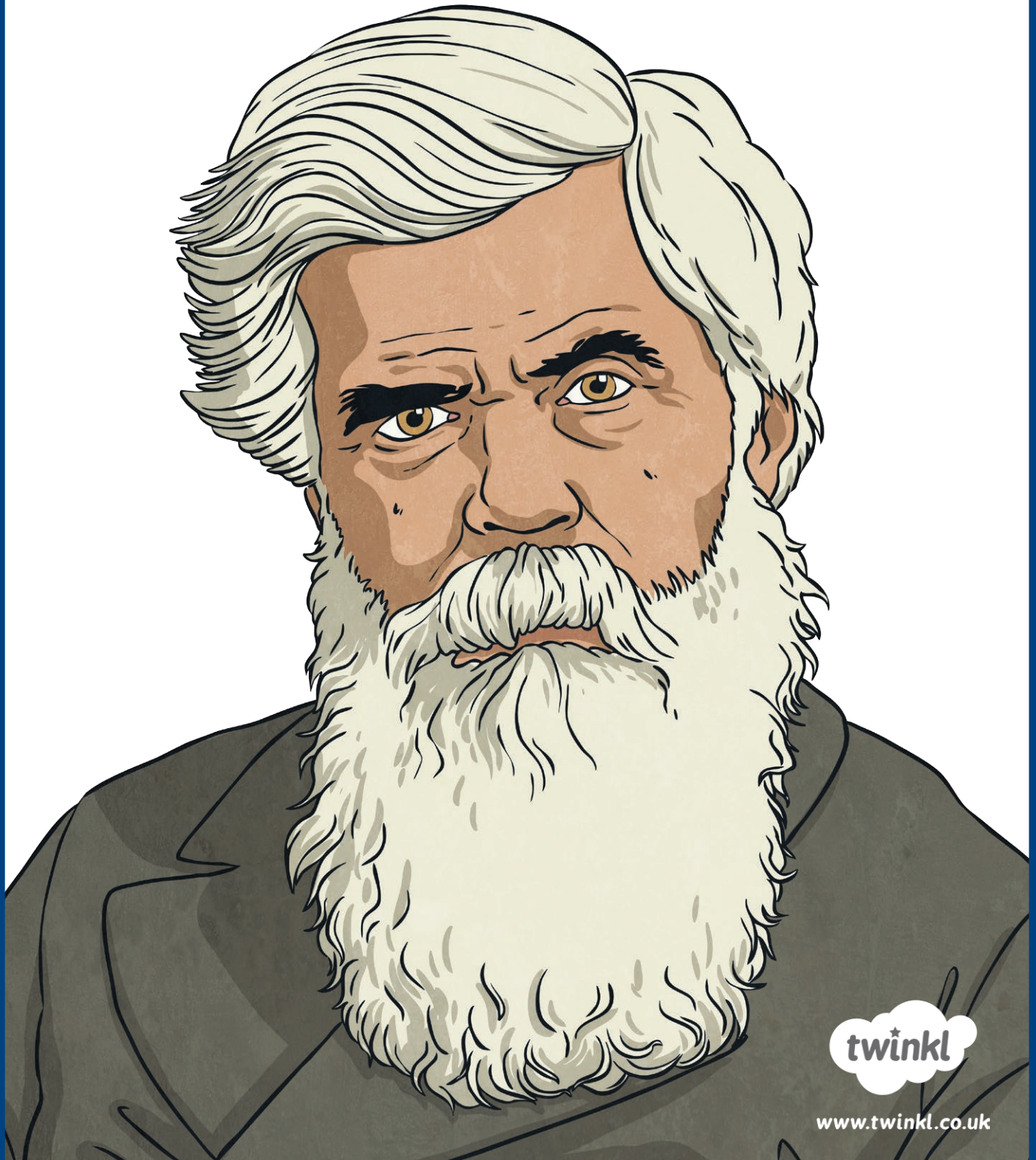


# Sir Henry Parkes

'The Father of Federation'  
1815-1896



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In 1889, I delivered a speech calling on the Australian colonies to 'unite and create a great national government for all Australia'.

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My famous speech is now known as the **'Tenterfield Oration'**.

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I am now known as 'The Father of Federation' for highlighting the need for the six separate colonies of Australia to unite.

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A colonial Australian politician, I was the longest non-consecutive premier of the colony of NSW.

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