



The Stolen Generations: Testimonies 1



Lorraine Peters (3 mins)

How many children did her parents have taken away' ?

Why were Aboriginal communities damaged ?

How does she feel this situation can be healed?



Faye Clayton (3 mins)

What had her father done for Australia?

How often was she allowed to see her parents?

What was she told about her parents ?

What were they told about other Aboriginals?



Jack Charles (3 mins)

What type of abuse took place at the boys' home?

What was the aim of the program at the boys' home ?

What helped him to heal and become proud of being an Aboriginal?



Bill Simon (1 - 10 mins for questions and beyond for legacy / effects watch 10-20)

What does he mean by 'whitewashed' ?

What was he told about his own people ?

Something he remembers that made him laugh ?

A type of punishment at the boys' home ?

Why did he start to drink methylated spirits ?

Why was he unable to rebuild his relationship with his mum?

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Nita Marshal (watch the first 8 minutes)

Why do you think she is unsure about her age?

What was her mother able to do ?

How old was she when they took her away ?

Something she would do that other children would / could not ?

Something she recounts that made her laugh ?

One punishment ?

Details on contact with her mother?



Keith Kitchener (watch the first 10 minutes)

Why does he think he was sick as a child?

What was he paid for working 14 hours a day ?

Something he remembers that made him laugh?

What did he think about his new mother and father?

Why didn't he want to stay with his mother when they were eventually re-united?



Summary : can you see any common themes raised in these testimonies ?