Australian History
- Part 2 -
Stolen generations

ABORIGINAL PROTECTION ACT

The Aboriginal Protection Act, enacted in 1869, gave powers over the lives of Aboriginal people to the government. White people thought they were superior to the Aborigines. The government controlled residence, employment and marriage. The controls stopped in 1970.

→ When was Aboriginal Protection Act signed? _____

→ White people thought Aboriginal were equal to them. ☐ Right ✔ ☐ Wrong ✖ Justify

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→ What were the consequences for Aboriginal people?

☐ They had more freedom ☐ They were controlled

☐ Families were separated. ☐ Aboriginal people chose to be part of white society

→ When was it abandoned? _____

STOLEN GENERATIONS

Some Aboriginal children were taken from their families. They were adopted by white families or brought up in orphanages and government institutions. They were told to reject their aboriginal heritage and forced to adopt white culture. In some cases their names were changed. They were forbidden to speak their traditional languages. Many children suffered from psychological and emotional trauma. These children are called the Stolen Generations.

→ What does "stolen generation" mean? (translate in French) _____

→ Where were the Aboriginal children taken to?

☐ White families ☐ government institutions ☐ boarding schools ☐ orphanages ☐ islands

→ Children had to adopt white culture and language. ☐ Right ✔ ☐ Wrong ✖ Justify

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→ What were the consequences for the children?

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Texts : adapted from articles published on Wikipedia and NITV (National Indigenous TeleVision) sites.

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