

Stolen Generations – Joan Saylor

Questions and key words:

Notes

- Native Welfare took Aboriginal 'half-caste' babies from their families
- Joan was taken when she was 9 months old – her mother was out hunting something for tea
- She was taken to Moore River
- She saw all the others with their mums and dads.

'I had nobody'

- 'I never knew who my people was'

Life at the mission:

- water, soup and dry bread
- ten years old when left
- sans grace at dinner table

Summary: Joan was taken by the Native Welfare. She was 9 months old when she was taken while her mother was out hunting. She was taken to Moore River. She saw all the other children with their mothers and fathers. She had nobody and she didn't know who her people were.

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Questions and key:

• Has she ever been reunited with her original family?

Notes:

- Nine months old when ^{native welfare} ~~police~~ took her
- Was half-caste
- When she was taken from family, her mother was out hunting and dad was with her twin brother.
- 'Never knew who my people was'.
- Taken to Moore River - the mission
- Fostered by couple, who took her to ^{their} station
- They taught ^{her} ~~good~~ to live their way
- Treated like slave

Summary:

Joan Saylor was nine months old when native welfare came to take her. Her mum was hunting and her dad was with her twin brother when this happened. Joan Saylor was taken because she was half-caste. 'Never knew who my people was', is what she stated at the mission. At the age of ten, she was fostered by a couple, who took her to their station. They taught her to live their way. They treated her like a slave and she lived with a dog at the back.