
WHAT SORT OF AUSTRALIA

I would like to live in the same house as white children and no fighting.

— boy aged 6

1. More friendly and happier. A lot of sad people around.
2. Some teachers don't understand Aboriginal people.
3. People should join in Football and Little Athletics but Aboriginal people (only some) can't because they have no money or a car.
4. People shouldn't talk about our colored skin.

— girl aged 10

I would like for aboriginal children to have the chance of being in T. V. adds just like white children.

— girl aged 11

1. A cleaner Australia because girls shouldn't walk around topless.
2. All people should be more tidier in their homes especially the outside.
3. Australia would be better if the white people would see that there are a lot of good Aboriginal people around and that we're not all bad.
4. Most of my friends are black but I have a lot of white friends who like me.

— girl aged 9

The Hopes of Some Victorian Aboriginal Children

1. More money for Mum and then we'd all be happier.
2. Would like to be a nurse but it would be a bit hard because I'm Aboriginal.
3. Neighbors should be more friendly and not nasty.
4. Australians are untidy. Aboriginal people are nice to everyone but white fellas are only nice to some of us.

— girl aged 11

I would like Aboriginal people who are not well off to have more schools and education and have more shops run by aboriginal and more help for the aboriginal and aboriginal should put into houses when they haven't got any for aboriginal people be allowed to stay in the home instead of being kicked out for only being a week late with rent.

— boy aged 11

I would like to be the same as a white child and treated the same as they are.

— girl aged 8

1. I'd like to be a mechanic and I reckon I'd be able to do it. I don't think my color would have anything to do with getting a job.
2. More parks and play equipment for kids.
3. All people, doesn't matter what they are, should be more friendlier.
4. For more kids to help their parents around the house.
5. Everybody's the same, doesn't matter what color you are. Most people are good to Aboriginals.

— boy aged 11

I would like my family to live a reasonable life. I wouldn't like lots of money. I would like to go to camps and my brother to. I would like me and my brothers to have reasonable enough clothes.

— boy aged 12

I would like to live in South Australia and I wish I could have lots of money.

— boy aged 12

Australia should make us happy and kind to people.

— girl aged 7

DO YOU WANT FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY?

We want Aboriginal to live like the white people we don't want Aboriginals bossed around they want to live happy lik white people to. I would like aboriginals going through good education, and going through good health. I would like my family cared for to. Some aboriginals get ther revenge on white people when they are misstreated. I would like aboriginals to be cared for as much as white people.

— boy aged 11

I would like to go over seas to Disneyland with my family for a holiday. I would like them to stop mining for Uranium and to stop digging up the land. I would also like to go and see what Australia really looks like.

— girl aged 11

I would like to live in Melbourne and get married and live happily ever after. Have kids and I would like to have a job that I could relie on and have a happily family but I would like to get married in Swan Hill and then go to Melbourne for our honnymoon I would too like to go to Sydney.

— girl aged 11

I would like no fighting and robbing. Everyone should be happy and don't litter australia and aborigal and white children should play with each other.

— girl aged 12

I would like better housing and not just play with black kids. I want less money more food and clothing and more education. I like to live in the country. There's plenty of trouble between black people and white's. If I was a queen I would give a meeting — a real big meeting and have everyone there and talk things over, about money, food, and all that.

— girl aged 12

1. I want to be a truckie and we need more trucks for transport.
2. Neighbors are good and friendly to us.
3. A black school **only** for Aboriginals.
Some white teachers could teach.
4. More black fellas in sporting activities.
5. I'd like to see Aborigines in new houses, they always get the old weatherboard ones.
6. I'm friendly with black and white kids, none of them are against us blacks.

— boys aged 10

1. I'd like white fellas to be more friendly to black fellas.
2. I'm going to work at the abattoirs and give my pay to mum to help her pay the bills.
3. The white fellas like black fellas at the abbottoirs so I'll get a job for sure.
4. It's good at school because there's always something to do.
5. New houses for aboriginals and cars.

— boy aged 11

1. People are friendly and good to me and my family.
2. I would get a job because of what I can do.
3. I would be turned away because I havn't learnt enough, not my color.
4. More sporting facilities, like another stadium.
5. More houses for Aboriginals.
6. White people are against some Aboriginals because they drink too much but not all Aboriginals are like that.

— boy aged 11

I would like a happy Australia with no fighting.

— girl aged 7