



The First Fleet

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The First Australians

When the British decided to colonise Australia there were already people living here. The Aboriginal people have lived in Australia for 60,000 years, how long has it been since British settlement? Because they couldn't understand their languages, and they had no cities, towns or farms, the British thought that the Aboriginal people were primitive and uncivilized. They therefore decided that they could take the land. The Aboriginal people were in fact a nomadic culture who lived off the land with minimal damage to the environment.



What does it mean to be 'nomadic'?

How do you think the Aboriginal people at the time felt about the British colonisation?

How do these events effect Australia today?
