

- Life in Australia prior to settlement.
- How they felt seeing the ships arrive.
- First interactions with the Europeans.
- Effects of settlement.
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Hi,

~~26th January 1788~~

January 20th 1788

My name is Mawazo, a 16 year old girl who was first enslaved from the ~~first~~ First fleet, a week ago. I was enslaved for one reason only because of my skin colour and my ethnicity; I am Aboriginal, of course, the whites here don't seem to like us; ~~fi~~ First they stole our land and now they are raping and impregnating the females; I am afraid I'm ~~next, going~~ I try to try to keep my head up every single day; The whites have just ~~know~~ started to kill us for not ~~contributing~~ contributing ~~on things to~~ things they say for us to do; I just saw ~~a~~ Uncle Jimmy's friend 'Bobby' get killed ~~with a the~~ with the spear we used to hunt with for the kangaroos; Bobby allegedly got killed because he refused to sweep and clean the dog poo. Uncle Jimmy was destroyed because he and Bobby grew up together, went through thick and thin too, me on the other hand hurt in the heart because I saw them two become adults together and of course raising me too, ~~+~~ I definitely felt Uncle Jimmy's pain.

This all officially started exactly on the 20th of January so.. 6 days ago; My tribe and I were just playing a game of hide and seek and the ~~elders~~ ~~cooking~~ elders were cooking as we ~~are~~ ~~doing~~ were doing all that minding our business as Aunt ~~y~~ Kuata noticed 11 ships coming our way; ~~w~~; We were all suspicious and concerned ~~on my~~ so the males ~~get~~ got their spears and weapons to ~~go the~~ go to the shore of the beach to start the ~~attack~~ they attacked ~~because~~ attack because never in their life have they seen big ships coming on our land ~~to come~~ ~~invade~~ to invade us. The 11 ships were coming closer and closer. My people thought it was going to take a turn but it didn't. The whites finally ended up coming and my people attacked but the guns scared them off and my people gave up ...