

Use the word in brackets to form a new word that fits into each blank.

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Stolen Generation children at a camp in northern Australia in 1921

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Government _____ (**OFFICE**) made mothers sign documents stating that their children were taking part in a _____ (**VACCINATE**) programme set up by the state.

Others were brought to hospitals and never seen by their families again. In most cases _____ (**WEALTH**) white families were given _____ (**ADD**) money to bring them up. Some went to orphanages or church missions.

In 1995 an _____ (**INVESTIGATE**) was started to bring more _____ (**TRUE**) to the controversial issue. The government however did not apologize to the victims. Prime Minister Kevin Rudd was the first Australian _____ (**POLITICS**) to make a formal _____ (**APOLOGIZE**) to the Aborigines in 2008. However, he also said that the government would not give any money to the victims. He claimed that it was in the interests of the Australian government to raise the children in the best way possible.

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There are many others in Australia who have suffered the same fate. Organizations are being set up to work for the rights of the Aborigines and to _____ (**SURE**) that nothing like this ever happens again.

KEY

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