

"only drunks and
children tell the truth"
60"s scooped

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" Only drunks and children tell the truth" by drew Hayden Taylor " address the abduction of Aborinal children in the 1960. During the 60's were a number of aboriginal children adopted into non-aboriginal homes and other countries. As this is a 60's the children were abducted from their homes and communities without their family's consent or knowledge. I refer this when Barb reveal (pg 12) on her sister Janice was taken by Canadian Aids society at early age, she was removed from her biological family and raised by a non-aboriginal. There are a large number of First Nation living off reserve and urban areas, a like number of aboriginal children who are in care of foster care. A portion of these adoptees face cultural and identity confusion issues as the result of having been socialized and acculturated into a middle class society. The aboriginal leaders who believes these children are losing touch with their cultural roots. Aboriginal people. Are historically found on the low end of the socio-economic scale in Canada. The are 10 percent of Canadian kids having no support. The loss of language and culture with aboriginal community is a factor in the breakdown of families values, addiction and anti-social behaviour, to name a few consequences. The aboriginal government need to understand the families they service and aid in a repatriation initiative that will help individual and communities return to their traditional values. The values of the culture and identity cannot be overstated. The number of aboriginal people in the urban is growing at an unprecedented rate, large because do the lack of opportunity and housing on reserves. In many instances the social issues found on reserves are being transferred to urban areas, these aboriginal children requires linkages to their culture and language as well as to their home community. They many

or may not have suffered abusing during their time in care and in many cases have been removed from their family and the culture. Also I learned during the 60's the government makes mistake in the past in regards to the residential school experiment. example to Tonto say (pg 49) the province decided to try a new program to foster native kids on the reserve? I wan an experiments. He was place with Stone at aged of 5 and bang, here i am 27 years later, a fine human being. In some cases, the children were placed in foster care until they reach adulthood and were released into society virtually without family community or support. I have learned during the 60's scoop, a time when fisrt nation children were removed from First Nation homes and communities or adopted out in non-aboriginal homes or out of the country. The may ideas that I learned culture is the foundation to a strong community and consequently leads to stronger families and individuals. We must be proactive in our to protect the children. As the families that are becoming healthy and children going to school learning to become strong productive adults. All of which indicate that this is not a productive system that's fits within our model as aboriginal people.