Age of Global Empires & The Land / Resource Wars c1400 - 2021

Land = Resources People = Slaves Trees = Timber Cleared land = Cattle Extractive Industries = Mining

Intergenerational land wars rely on next generations "forgetting" while paperwork is formulated and goalposts are changed, to further wrest the land from Indigenous peoples.

Luckily, First Australians are excellent storytellers and oral historians!

Mission Era

3 generations: few survivors to many blossoming families

Labour Era

3 generations of working families on the land:

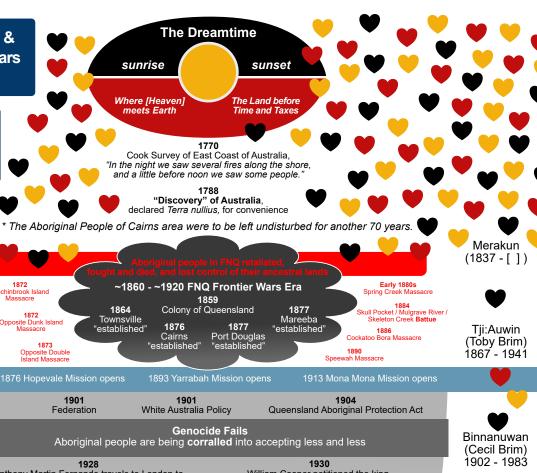
Stations, Forestry, Railways and Roads

Mechanisation of manual labour industries

Welfare Era

2 generations on social benefits: Education and economy systems are largely inaccessible for Aboriginal people

Benefits for: Government clerical jobs, policing, prison system



1943

Anthony Martin Fernando travels to London to protest the massacres of his people in Australia William Cooper petitioned the king, demanding a Voice to Parliament

1937 Aborigines Act Assimilation Policy

Exemption Certificates 1938
Tindale/Birdsell Expedition to Mona Mona and Yarrabah Missions

1949 Right to Enrol 1950 Schooling

1957 Indigenous Referendum campaign begins 1967

Indigenous Referendum, reflect public recognition of Aboriginal people as full Australian citizens

1970 Canadian linguist HALE was funded to produce a 'language' map of Australia, presumably to simplify for Native Title purposes, eg. FNQ 8 'tribes' reduced to 3 'language groups'

1982
Mabo Case (Torres Strait), Legal proceeding begins

1988 PM Bob Hawke receives the Baranga Statement, Arnhem Land

1991 "Treaty" song by Yothu Yindi, about broken promises

1992

Mabo Case (Torres Strait)
3 June 1992, six of the seven High Court judges upheld the claim and ruled that the lands of this continent were not terra nullius or 'land belonging to no-one' when European settlement occurred

> 1993 Native Title Act 1988 Survival Day

1996 HORTON / AIATSIS Language Groups map reduces number of Tindale Tribes 3-4 fold across the country 1998

Sorry Day

2007 Little Children are Sacred report 2007 Northern Territory

Intervention response 2008 PM Kevin Rudd says "Sorry"

YEAR Lost connection to country, no Native Title, Brown Case 2017

Uluru Statement from the Heart 2021 QLD Labor Campaign

"Tracks to Treaty" (Land component controlled by Native Title Act 28 years ago)

