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Heritage And Identity

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Sample 3 Question 21(a)

(a) Heritage and Identity is very important to ~~Aboriginal~~ a large number of Aboriginal people as they believe that ~~this is~~ where they come from links them to who they are today.

There are ~~in numerous~~ ^{numerous} ways that people express their identity, ~~the through~~ today, including art, film, dance, song and story-telling. There are a number of athletes who using the attention they have received through competing in sport, use this opportunity to tell their personal stories to the world regarding their heritage and identity.

Michael 'O' Loughlin, who is known for his success on the football field, wanted to learn more about his ~~his~~ Heritage and Identity. He went on tv program ~~that is~~ ^{whose} main aim is to help people track down their family history, thus enhancing their knowledge and allowing people to connect with ~~family~~ their ~~family~~ history and contribute to their sense of identity and heritage. In doing this, Michael found out a great deal, including facts about his grandmother and grandfathers struggle with land rights. ~~this is~~ ^{found} He found out the history of his ancestors, and they actually played a role in history, with being finally being given land rights and being apart of the stolen Generation. Michael went to visit some of the land his ancestors owned, and said that

he felt a connection to the land. He visited a school in which his relatives had attended and read a letter his grandfather had written, asking for land rights. Michael said that the overall experience had made him feel ~~an~~ a connection with his ancestors, he believed that it was vital knowledge to contribute to his sense of identity and heritage and that he was glad he had taken the journey to explore how his ancestors had lived. ~~the~~