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a. Country is the most important thing for an Aboriginal person and constantly has an impact on their life. The people that have been most displaced are least able to access native title because many of them were adopted out to white families and could not trace their family tree they have no evidence of ever living on the land. When Gough Whitlam poured the sand back into Elder Vincent Lingiari's hand this was symbolism of regaining the land which was a very big memory in society. Country is more important for many Aboriginals more important than anything else because it is where they come from and where they go back too. Even today it is still very important to the Aboriginal peoples.