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a) Aboriginal identity can be expressed in numerous forms. In today's ~~cont~~ society Indigenous peoples are using contemporary forms to express their identity. These forms include music, <sup>dance</sup> film, literature, art, <sup>and</sup> sport, ~~and cultural~~ ~~clays~~.

Music has allowed Aboriginal individuals to express their identity as they can perform songs about their culture and modern issues and they may even choose to sing in their language. Aboriginal musicians include Jessica Mauboy, Dan Sultan, Yothu Yindi and Geoffrey Cummul Yuripingu. Yothu Yindi hail from the ~~Yothu~~ Yolngu homelands of north-east of the Northern Territory. Their music celebrates their culture, ceremonies and spiritual connections.

Dance is and remains a major aspect of Aboriginal identity and culture. The Doonooch Dance Company are a world recognised Aboriginal dance group. They performed at the 2000 Sydney Olympics Opening Ceremonies and ~~also~~ were also featured at the World Indigenous Convention. Their dance expresses their culture as they use traditional dance ~~mixed~~ and stories to create their modern dances.

Aboriginal art is a broad category which takes many forms including dot paintings on canvas, body painting, bark painting, batik, weaving and other art forms including wearable art. Aboriginal art is world renowned and 65% of ~~Australian~~ Australians

said they had a growing interest and appreciated of Aboriginal art.

Literature is another way Indigenous Australians express their identity. Sally Morgan's novel "My Place" tells the story of how her family denied their Aboriginality but how she came to accept it. This book allows Sally to express her identity to a modern audience.

Film is a contemporary form in which Indigenous Australians use to express identity. Leah Purcell's documentary "Black Girls Talking" followed the story of five Aboriginal women and how they felt about their Aboriginality and identity. Some <sup>embraced</sup> ~~accept~~ it ~~fully~~ but others are unsure what to think as they did not discover they were Indigenous until ~~it~~ they were teenagers.

Mark Olive is a nationally recognised chef who uses cooking to portray his identity. He uses native and local foods in his cooking to demonstrate how to cook good, healthy, natural foods.

Aboriginal peoples express their identity in a variety of ways. This can include music, dance, art, literature, film and cooking. These forms allow Indigenous individuals to express their identity to the wider community using contemporary forms.

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