

# THE BIG JOURNEY



Hi my name is Aiden and me and my family members were on the First Fleet. My Mum's name is Bree my Dad's is Matt and my little sister's is Alyssa. We are the Bakers. We were all accused of theft. When we got to New Holland I became sick due to the rough seas but the others were fine. The land was very dry and bare. Nothing was on the land except for the natives. They were so confused and terrified. Me and my family felt so sorry for them. My family were down upset and starving but we were happy that we were all together. We were afraid for what punishments we would have to face tomorrow.

Today my family and I started to do hard labour boy was it tough. At least I got food it was a tasteless porridge. We are living in a hut. We all have blisters on our feet because we have to walk on stones and sticks with no shoes. I think rats have been crawling in my bed and it wasn't my sister I can tell you that!



I woke up today to find out that me and my family all have chicken pox! Could this day get any worse. It dose because we all have hard labour. All day I was itching and scratching my parents told me to stop but I couldn't help it. I think my chicken pox are infected. I was starving today because I've had nothing. Also, my clothes are disgusting and I can't wash them. I'm never going to get used to this place.



Today me and my family got news that we could leave! We got given a ticket and started to get to a boat. For a second my family laughed and said "I am going to miss this place" Then I remembered I still have chicken pox! Luckily they gave us medicine. After an hour the pox started to go. Then I got see sick again. Once that was done I started to relax and enjoy the water. Me and my family were so happy we started to play games. Once we got to London I went to sleep. Something I haven't done in ages.



Life after being a convict feels pretty good. I can say to my friends" I was on the First Fleet" I'm just glad I'm home. Sometimes in see people who I was with on the First Fleet I like to talk to them. We talk about what it was like on the ship and how it was at New Holland. That's another thing I could tell my friends. I saw a new land called New Holland? That's my story about when I went on the First Fleet. The End

