

NO GUARANTEES

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ALL CANADIAN CITIZENS
(OR BEFORE 1947, PEOPLE LIVING
HERE AS BRITISH SUBJECTS) ARE
SUPPOSED TO HAVE THE SAME
RIGHTS.

BUT AT DIFFERENT TIMES IN
THE STORY OF CANADA, THE
GOVERNMENT HAS NOT TREATED
CITIZENS ACCORDING TO THOSE
RIGHTS.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE TIMES WHEN BEING BORN
HERE OR BECOMING NATURALIZED WASN'T ENOUGH.

STOP THAT
RIGHT NOW!

YOU KNOW
THE SUN DANCE HAS
BEEN OUTLAWED!

KAINAI NATION,
SOUTHERN ALBERTA, 1897

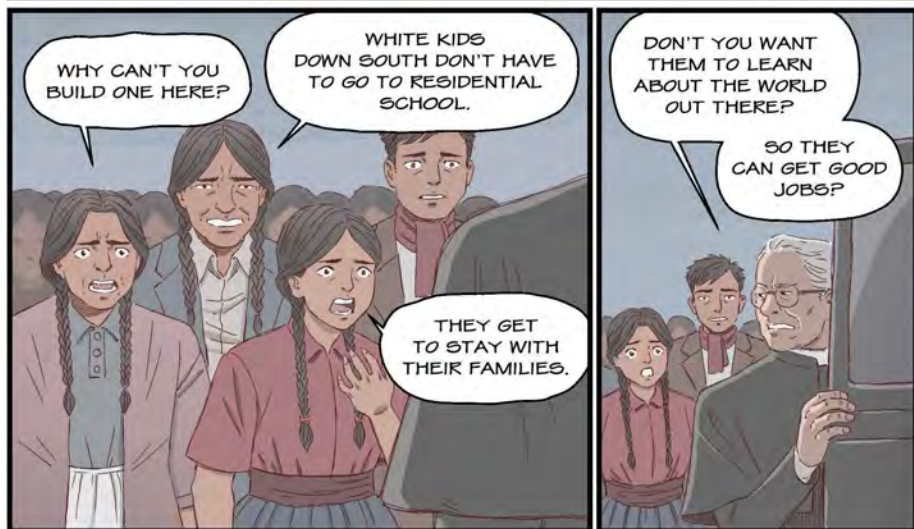
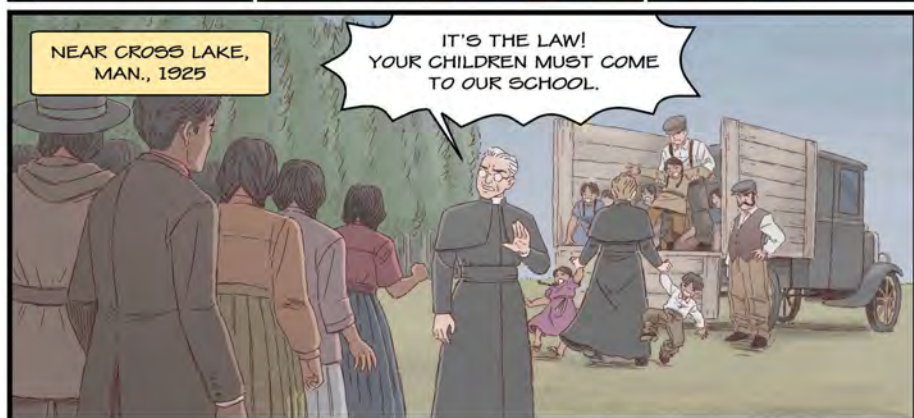
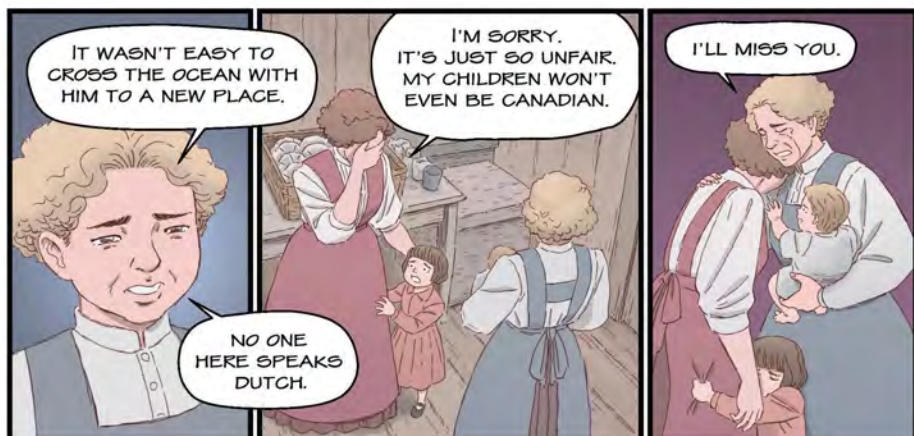
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JUST SETTING UP
SOME TIPIS.

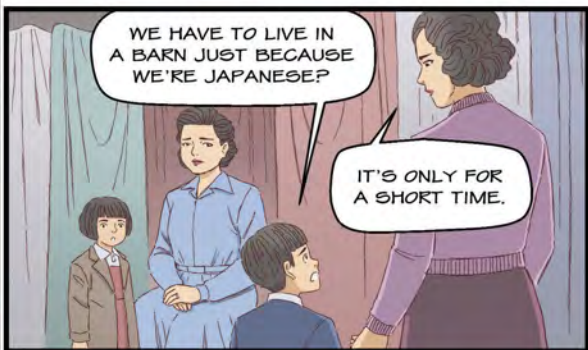
THE INDIAN ACT
FORBIDS YOUR DANCING
AND CEREMONIES.

GO HOME.
ALL OF YOU!

DO YOU GO
TO CHURCH?







YOU TWO GO DUMP THIS WATER
AND BRING BACK A FRESH BUCKET.



I OVERHEARD ONE OF THE
GOVERNMENT AGENTS SAYING THE
MEN AND OLDER BOYS WILL BE SENT
AWAY TO WORK CAMPS.



DO YOU THINK WE
WILL EVER SEE OUR
HOMES AGAIN?

WHAT HOMES?
I LOVE CANADA,
BUT IT HAS TAKEN
EVERYTHING.



I DON'T
UNDERSTAND HOW
THIS CAN HAPPEN.

YOU AND I
WERE BORN
HERE.

OUR
HUSBANDS,
TOO.



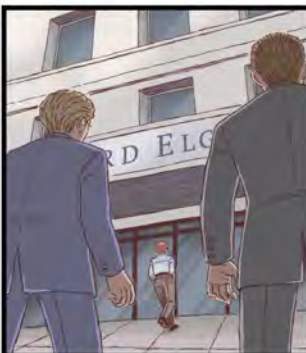
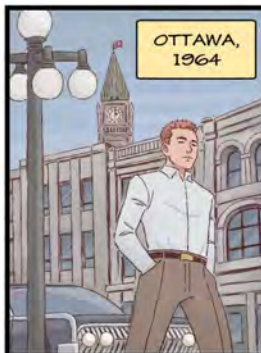
AND YET
THEY ROUNDED US UP
AND PUT US IN FILTHY
ANIMAL BARN.



WE MUST
SURVIVE.

WE MUST
MAKE THE BEST
OF IT.

OTTAWA,
1964



WE'RE TAKING
YOU IN FOR
QUESTIONING.

BUT I'M AN
RCMP OFFICER!





YEAH, WELL
THE MOUNTIES DON'T
NEED YOUR KIND.



I'VE SERVED MY
COUNTRY FOR 17 YEARS!
NEVER ONCE HAD A BAD
REPORT.

DOESN'T
MATTER.



SIGN THIS
AND YOU'RE
DONE.



PLEASE
JUST TALK TO MY
COMMANDING
OFFICER!



WE'RE HERE
TO WEED OUT MEN
LIKE YOU.



I'M A GOOD
MOUNTIE!



YOU'RE
FORCING
ME OUT
BECAUSE
I...



... I LOVE
OTHER MEN?



I'M A
CANADIAN
CITIZEN.

I HAVE
RIGHTS!

WE INVENTED THE CHARACTERS AND WHAT THEY SAID,
BUT ALL OF THESE SCENES ARE BASED ON REAL THINGS THAT
HAPPENED IN CANADA'S PAST TO CANADIAN CITIZENS.