Residential school assignment -Important facts from page 5- use these for the first paragraph of your journal

* Aboriginal children stolen from their homes and taken to residential school
* Residential schools were supposed to “kill the Indian in the child”
* Residential schools were run by churches
* Residential schools were mandatory (parents/children had no choice)
* Aboriginal families resisted the law and hid their children away from the Indian agent
* Aboriginal communities asked for schools in their community
* At residential school aboriginal children weren’t allowed to speak their own language
* At residential school aboriginal children were wrongly taught that their culture was worthless
* At residential school children suffered physical, mental and sexual abuse
* For generations survivors suffered in silence because of fear and shame from being in residential school
* Impacts of residential school are still felt to this day
* The last residential school in BC closed in 1984- last school in Canada closed in 1996
* Schools today are finally teaching about the history of residential school
* It is important that this type of thing never happens again
* One of goals of project of heart is to make public education a place of healing and reconciliation

Questions to think about for why learning about residential schools is important (think about these questions when writing your journal)

1. Why were residential schools wrong?
2. Do you think Canadians (government/people) have something to learn from studying the history of residential school?
3. Do you think racism still exists in Canada towards aboriginal peoples?
4. Do you think people should know about residential schools?
5. What would happen if we didn’t learn about the history of residential schools?
6. Does teaching about residential schools help survivors and their families? How?
7. Is it important to know the truth about history?

Paragraph 1- topic sentence- There are many important things I learned about the history of residential schools in Canada. (talk about at least 5 things you learned)

One thing I learned was that…\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is important because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Example- One thing I learned was that aboriginal children were stolen from their homes and taken to residential schools which is important because *children shouldn’t have been taken away from their families.*

Paragraph 2- Topic sentence- It is important to learn about the history of residential schools for many reasons.

One reason it is important is because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

For example **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

One reason it is important to learn about residential schools is because they were wrong. For example, *they hurt children by taking them away from their families*.

Paragraph 1-Outline example

Topic sentence-

One thing I learned was\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_which is important because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Another thing I learned was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is a main point because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I also found out that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is a key piece of information because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Yet another fact I learned was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is significant because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lastly I discovered that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is vital due to the fact that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Paragraph 2- Outline example

Topic sentence

One reason it is important is because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

For example, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Another reason people should learn about the history of residential school is because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

For instance, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A third reason everyone should know about this history is because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

One example that shows this is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lastly, this should be taught because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_