

my Grandmother which started around 1988. It was discovered B.I.A. records on her started in written english trying to record in the Sioux Language. Everything was going well till, the English language started to write in the Dakota language, which few members back there did not know.

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Something happened to my Grandmother when she was a young girl that the United States had to give her the finest and best compensation known for whatever happened to her. She had a home that was better then any of the White People living there, and white people do not permit such a thing.

Till the day she died, white people respected and feared her. A known situation that does not happen today on reservations.

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The only clue one had to go on was , which Sioux tribe still spoke on Dakota and not the ones spoken today. This stopped and could not continue as reference to go by.

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