April was affected as a child when she was taken away from her family and placed in foster care. April and her sister, Cheryl, were both taken away from their parents as a result of their poor care. Their parents would often have a lot of people at their house and those people would often by drinking, which is not a safe environment for a child. Since April’s parents could not take care of her, Child and Family Services had to step in and place the girls in foster care. Obviously, being taken away from one’s parents would be a traumatic experience and have a deep impact on April’s relationship with her mom and dad. Although April had a good experience with her first family, the Dions, the next family she went to was not as nice. The DesRosiers treated April terribly. They made her sleep in a back room and constantly reminded her that she was a less of a person than them. Maggie, the DesRosiers’s daughter said, “’You didn’t even sweep the floor. I heard you half-breeds were dirty but now I can see that it’s true.’” (Culleton 27). Being called a half-breed or being told that one is dirty would definitely make April feel like she is not a good person. People in April’s life continued to use her Metis background as a reason to think less of her.