Meet eight First Fleet convicts who were sent to Australia on the First Fleet.

**George Bannister**
16 years: Job unknown
**Crime:** With two other boys, both aged fourteen, broke into a house and stole a petticoat, cloak, gown and a pair of stockings
**Sentence:** Seven years’ transportation

**James Grace**
11 years: Shoemaker
**Crime:** Broke into a house and stole a pair of silk stockings and 10 yards (9 metres) of silk ribbon
**Sentence:** Seven years’ transportation

**Thomas Bryant**
18 years: Labourer
**Crime:** Highway robbery; stole a watch and chain and a half-guinea coin
**Sentence:** Death, changed to seven years’ transportation

**Esther Abrahams**
20 years: Milliner (hat-maker)
**Crime:** Stole 24 yards (22 metres) of black lace from a shop
**Sentence:** Seven years’ transportation

**James Freeman**
16 years: Labourer
**Crime:** Highway robbery
**Sentence:** Death, changed to seven years’ transportation

**Elizabeth Beckford**
70 years: Servant
**Crime:** Stole 12 pounds (5 kilograms) of cheese
**Sentence:** Seven years’ transportation

**Francis Woodcock**
45 years: Labourer
**Crime:** Stole one sheep
**Sentence:** Death, changed to fourteen years’ transportation

**Jane Creek**
48 years: Servant
**Crime:** Stole 35 pounds (15 kilograms) of feathers, two flat-irons and a coffee pot
**Sentence:** Seven years’ transportation

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