

Te Reo Māori — New Zealand Curriculum Levels 6, 7, and 8

Te Reo Māori Whakataukī

Ko te reo te taikura o te whakaaō mārama.
Nā Te Wharehuia Milroy

Language is the key to understanding.

Big Ideas

Te Rere o te Reo Language Fluency	Te Tika o te Reo Language Accuracy	Te Ora o te Reo Language Vitality	Te Māori o te Reo Cultural Integrity of the Language
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Significant Learning

Across all Curriculum Levels, ākonga will...

- understand their contribution to the revitalisation of the language for the good of the collective
- connect with those outside the classroom to explore and learn from the community and from examples of Māori success
- practise and enjoy experimenting with a wide range of spoken, written, and visual communication in te reo Māori
- explore the key values of Māori culture and Māori principles embedded in the language
- explore how language and culture affect, and work together in, communication.

At Curriculum Level 6, ākonga will...

- explore te reo Māori commonly used to express personal information, ideas, and opinions in everyday contexts
- engage with, and make meaning of, a variety of short text types
- develop communicative skills and strategies to present and exchange simple information, ideas and opinions in a range of predictable situations
- develop a foundational awareness of and use the key linguistic building blocks, patterns and features of the language
- develop a foundational awareness of Māori principles embedded in the language
- acquire simple linguistic strategies and basic knowledge of how to use resources to make meaning from unfamiliar language
- participate in activities that use, promote, and celebrate te reo Māori
- explore links to their own heritage to deepen their sense of personal identity
- learn about events both present and past which have an impact on the vitality of the language
- engage with the traditions, belief systems, and practices of Māori culture.

At Curriculum Level 7, ākonga will...

- explore te reo Māori commonly used to express information, ideas, and opinions in personal and community contexts
- engage with, and make meaning of, a variety of mid length text types
- develop communicative skills to present and exchange information, ideas, and opinions in more detail
- develop a growing awareness of and use a range of linguistic building blocks, patterns and features of the language
- develop a growing awareness of and use Māori principles embedded in the language
- expand their linguistic strategies and use resources effectively to make meaning from unfamiliar language
- participate in and contribute to activities that use, promote, and celebrate te reo Māori
- explore links to their own heritage to deepen their sense of belonging to a community
- extend on knowledge of historical factors that have impacted the vitality of the language
- explore the traditions, belief systems, and practices of Māori culture, understanding their origins.

At Curriculum Level 8, ākonga will...

- explore te reo Māori used to delve into information, ideas and perspectives related to topics of both personal and societal relevance, as well as to express abstract concepts
- engage with, and make meaning of, a variety of extended text types
- develop communicative skills to organise information, ideas, and opinions effectively and sustain interactions with others, adapting to less predictable situations
- develop an awareness of and use more complex linguistic building blocks, patterns and features of the language
- develop an in-depth awareness and application of Māori principles embedded in the language
- select with growing confidence from a range of appropriate linguistic strategies and resources to make meaning from unfamiliar language
- show initiative in using, promoting, and celebrating te reo Māori
- critically reflect on the links to their own heritage to expand their sense of connection to their place in the wider world
- envisage the future development of the language and how to assure its vitality for generations to come
- explore and gain deeper insight into the traditions, belief systems, and practices of Māori culture, reflecting on their origins and potential future evolution
- examine and reflect on how aspects of values, practices, and perspectives shape experiences and influence opinions.