

'Kia ita!'

Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori

MĀORI LANGUAGE COMMISSION





Why should we all have some knowledge of te reo Māori?









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- There is no need for recognition because Māori can speak English anyway!
- Functional
- English is an international language and therefore much more useful than Māori
 - Bilingualism/multilingualism
 - "New Zealanders are doggedly monolingual in attitude and use" (Ray Harlow)





- The Māori language cannot meet the needs of modern society.
 - Language evolution
 - Colonial framing
- Most New Zealanders cannot speak or understand Māori
 - Quantum





- Minority languages always die out eventually so why try to save
 Māori by giving it official recognition
- Official recognition will become too expensive
- Official recognition is an empty gesture of no benefit to anyone
- There is not enough time available now to meet the educational needs of our children





If Māori is given official recognition it will cause divisions in the community

If Māori is to be given official recognition, we will have to recognise other ethnic minority languages as well – Samoan, Tongan, Chinese for example

















Ngā Taniwha o te reo Māori

- Proficiency
- Shame
- Scared
- Lazy
- Arrogance
- Domains
- Assumptions



Values & Attitudes

- Attitudes 'superficial' and 'opinions'
- Values:
 - 'general underlying orientations'
 - 'internal dynamics'







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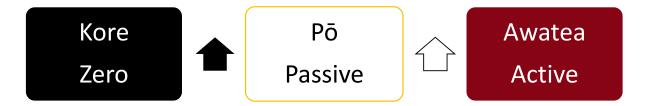
Values

- Intrinsic
- Educational
- Intellectual
- Social
- Spiritual
- Cultural
- Monetary





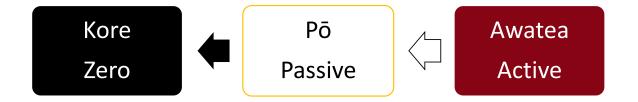
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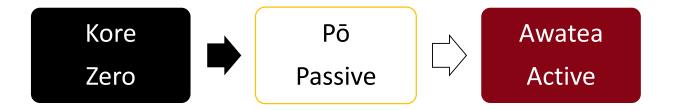
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KoPA – Right Shifting









Maihi Māori – Kia ūkaipō anō te reo – Te reo Māori is restored as a nurturing first language

Maihi Karauna – Kia māhorahora te reo – Let the language spread widely in all situations

Te Whare o Te Reo Mauriora – Kia mauriora te reo – the language is a living language

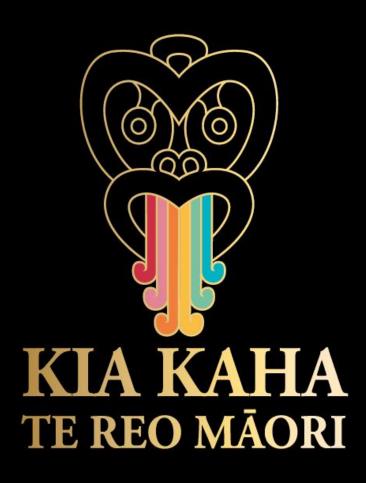












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