

Te Hanga o Niu Tīreni — New Zealand’s Shape

Approach: One to one

Focus: How places are described.

Resources: Two pictures.



Questions/instructions:

Put picture 1 in front of student.

Here is a map of Aotearoa/New Zealand.

Whakatakotonga te pikitia tuatahi ki mua i te ākongā.

Anei te mahere o Aotearoa/Niu Tīreni.

Picture 1



Put picture 2 in front of student.

Here is a map of Aotearoa/New Zealand shown as a fish and a canoe.

Whakatakotonga te pikitia tuarua ki mua i te ākongā.

Anei te mahere o Aotearoa/Niu Tīreni e whakaatu ana i te ika me te waka.

Picture 2



Try to explain to me why Aotearoa/New Zealand has been shown as a fish and a canoe.

Whakamārama mai he aha i whakaritea ai a Aotearoa-Niu Tīreni ki te ika, me te waka.

	% responses	
	GE _d	MI
student mentioned Maui	56	79
student mentioned story of fishing up island or New Zealand	47	68
student commented on North Island as fish	27	54
student commented on canoe as South Island	29	46

	% responses	
	GE _d	MI
Elaboration of story:		
very detailed	3	7
quite detailed	19	25
limited	35	47
no knowledge of story	43	21

Commentary

Students in Māori immersion (MI) settings scored statistically significantly higher than Māori students in general education (GE_d) settings.