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## A deeply rooted bond.

New Zealand is home to a lot of rare and exotic wildlife that can only be found there. But what is even more special is the bond of its people with their land. The deeply ingrained appreciation of nature and life is shared by the vast majority of people in New Zealand. The Maori were the first humans to reach and settle in New Zealand around the 14th century AD. Because of that most terms that are used to refer to native wildlife and landmarks are in the Maori language "Te Reo". One example here: a Takahe from the sanctuary.

### Orokonui Ecosanctuary- Te Korowai o Mihiwaka

The Orokonui Valley lies under the kaitiakitaka/guardianship of our local runaka, Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka ki Puketeraki.

Orokonui is a local Kāi Tahu name, referencing a peaceful planting phase of the moon (Orongonui). The Orokonui awa/stream runs through the valley to Blueskin Bay in Waitati.

Our gifted name "Te Korowai o Mihiwaka (the sacred cloak of Mihiwaka)" speaks to the sloping mountain forming one side of the valley.

Our second mountain, Māpounui, is identified by its flat basalt top. Together these mauka cradle incoming mist, providing moisture and life to the native cloud forest.

**Mauri ora!**



Te Reo is one of the official languages of NZ and can be found everywhere around the country.

## Preserving Nature - Visiting Orokonui Ecosanctuary in New Zealand

- 1 Visit the homepage of the Orokonui Ecosanctuary and find out what it is all about. Write down the 4 key goals of the sanctuary.



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## How „Green“ are you? Test yourself!

① Do you sort out glass, paper, plastic, etc. ?

- Yes, always.
- Sometimes.
- Never.



⑥ Do you or your parents use your own shopping bags?

- Yes. Always.
- Often.
- Never.



② Do you save energy by switching off electric appliances at night?

- Yes, always.
- Sometimes.
- Never.



⑦ Do you support any organization or group that protects the environment?

- Yes.
- No.



③ Do you close the tap while you brush your teeth?

- Yes, always.
- Often.
- Never.



⑧ Have you ever donated money to charities or organizations that fight climate change?

- Yes, a few times
- One time.
- No, I have not.

④ Do you walk, use a bike or public transportation when possible?

- Yes, always.
- Sometimes.
- Never.



⑨ Have you ever volunteered to help/work for such an organization ?

- Yes, I'm a regular member.
- I help from time to time.
- I have never done that before.

⑤ Do you properly recycle at home?

- Yes, always
- Sometimes.
- Never.



⑩ Have you ever been to a „Fridays for Future“ protest?

- Yes, a few times.
- No, but I would like to go.
- No and I don't want to either.