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Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau



He tīmatanga

This booklet is intended as a simple guide to help school age students on their journey to starting their whakapapa research.

Whakapapa

Whakapapa literally means the 'laying down of generations' layer upon layer.

Traditionally whakapapa was recorded orally and handed down to selected members of the whānau. Māori whakapapa is tapu (sacred) and should be respected.

Talk to your parents and elders before you undertake your whakapapa research to make sure they are ok with what you are doing.

Whakapapa toolkit

Notebook – keep a notebook on hand with you, you never know when might be a great opportunity to research your whakapapa.

Pencil – Record information in pencil in case you are uncertain about information you find and then you can always change it later.

Ringbinder folder or plastic container with lid – for collecting photographs, newspaper clippings, birth, death and marriage certificates etc.

Karakia – it is a good idea to start your research with a karakia.

Where to start:

- **Start your whakapapa investigation with what you already know.** Begin with yourself and work backwards through the generations.
- **Talk to your immediate whānau members** – record what they know.
- **Make visits to your extended whānau** – koro, kuia, aunties, uncles, cousins etc. Think about what you might want to find out from them before you go to interview them and prepare some questions ahead of time. Find out if you can record them by using a video recorder or an oral recording machine. Be prepared for many visits, and be mindful when interviewing elders – that you don't wear them out.
- **Visit your marae** – a lot of information can be gathered from marae, ask your parents to take you to visit your marae and record what you learn. Always ask permission to take photos inside the marae before you start.
- **Libraries and Archives** – Libraries and Archives can help you use their resources to help you find more information about your whakapapa.
- **School records, military records and church records** – finding out if your tupuna was baptised can lead you to searching for information at church archives. If your tupuna went to a Native Māori School, then it is possible to find these records at Archives New Zealand. Military records are also held there, and these can contain some very interesting information about your whānau member.
- **Cemetery records** – headstones contain useful information for sourcing whakapapa, dates of birth and deaths, full names. It is always a good idea to check with the marae committee or whānau before you go into urupā.
- **Keep accurate records** – always record where you collect your information from, that way you can always go back if you need to. Record full references – eg: titles, authors, volume numbers, page numbers etc.

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Ko tōku Pāpā

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Ko ngā pātai mō tōku Koro

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Ko tōku Kuia

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Whakaahua

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Whakaahua

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Rangahau

Here are some books that can help further your research. These can be borrowed from Auckland Libraries.

(2006). *Layer upon layer: whakapapa*. Roberts, J. Cambridge: Wotz Wot Ltd.

(2006). *Lines of descent: compact disc*. New Zealand: Moa Town Records.

(2008). *Whakapapa: an introduction to researching Māori and Pākehā-Māori families, their history, heritage, and culture*. Joyce, B. Wellington: Māori Interest Group, NZSC Inc.

(1996). *Tracing family history in New Zealand*. Bromell, A. Auckland: Godwit.

The following websites will help to provide more information while researching your whakapapa:

Whānau Facebook Pages or Blogs – Some whānau have created Facebook pages or Blog sites that contain whakapapa and whānau photos. (Enter a whānau name into Google search engine).

Marae Websites – these are good sites to help you find out more about your own marae, hapū and iwi. You can be connected to more than one marae.

- **Māori Maps** – this website maps marae across Aotearoa. www.maorimaps.com/
- **Tāmaki Makaurau Marae Directory** – This site provides a listing of all marae in the greater Auckland region. <http://maraedirectory.com/>
- **Naumaiplace.com** – This site contains over 900 listings of marae, including information on hapū, iwi, whareniui, kawa and contact details. www.naumaiplace.com/page/5-Home

Iwi Websites – Many iwi now have their own websites. This is a good place to find out about the history and whakapapa of your iwi. (Enter an iwi name into Google search engine).

Whakapapa Club – This site contains information on resources, marae, directories, indexes and whānau relationships. <http://www.whakapapaclub.nz/>

A Memory Tree – if a death has been published in a leading newspaper this is a good place to get dates and information on a person. Records start from December 2006. www.amemorytree.co.nz/

Archway – you can find military records, school records, land records and other Government records here along with a lot more. www.archway.archives.govt.nz/

Births, Deaths and Marriages Online – this site is an index of names for when people were born, married and died. However, Māori did not have to register births or deaths until 1913, and marriages until 1911. www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/search/

Dictionary of New Zealand Biography – there are over 3000 biographies on this site from 1769 to 1960. Some records contain whakapapa charts. www.teara.govt.nz/en/biographies

Family Search – this site is run by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons). It contains a lot of family history records especially for Māori. www.familysearch.org

Māori Land Court Minute Books – These books contain many whakapapa charts, hapū and iwi names, and a lot of history about whānau and what they did on the land. These can be accessed by going into your local Auckland Library.

Papers Past – you can find some very interesting stories about tupuna in these newspapers. <http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast>

Te Ao Hou – This website lets you search the Te Ao Hou: the New World journal, published from 1952 to 1976. They have an obituary section and other articles that can contain some really interesting information about Māori. <http://teahou.natlib.govt.nz/journals/teahou/index.html>

