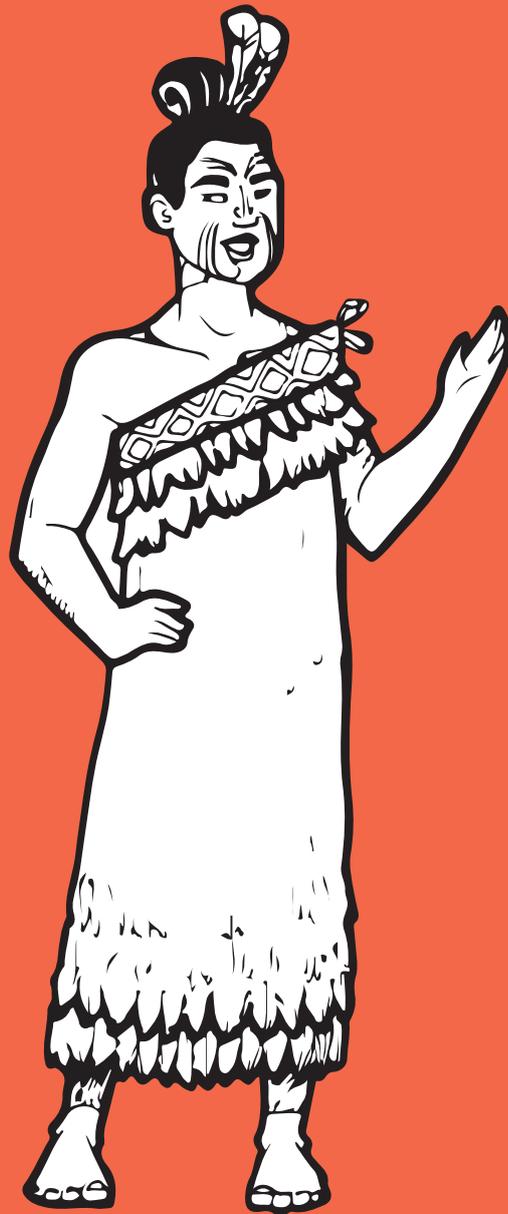


Auckland Zoo Education Pack

ECE



**Theme:
Awesome Aotearoa**

Zoo Lesson plan

Theme: Early Childhood (ages 0-4) **Awesome Aotearoa**

What will I learn: The manu | birds and pūrākau|stories that make Aotearoa | New Zealand special

Inspire

Watch the stories below learn why some birds look the way they do.

- Watch this animation of [Maui and Tīeke](#).
- Watch Phil read "[Whose Beak is This?](#)"

Watch our Zoo Tales [New Zealand Species playlist](#) and find out more about our unique animals.

Create

Use this template to **decorate** your [Whio | Blue Duck](#).

Create a [nectar feeder](#) in your back yard and record which birds come to sip from it!

Explore

We share our places with some amazing manu|birds. Found out which ones live near you.

- Listen to these sound clips of [Tūi](#), [Blackbirds](#), or [Korimako](#) from our partner DOC. Wake up early in the morning and listen out for these birds in your garden!
- Can you find other signs of birds visiting your gardens? See if you can spot poo, feathers, nests.
- You might be lucky enough to see some birds too! Use [this resource](#) to help you identify the ones you see.

Use these helpful videos to **practice te reo** pronunciation:

- [Tīeke](#)
- [Kororā](#)
- [Kea](#)
- [Kaitiakitanga](#)
- [Te Wao Nui a Tāne | Forest](#)
- [Te Pō | Night](#)
- [Rākau](#)
- [Ranginui](#)

Give this [fun song](#) about the manu | birds at Auckland Zoo a go!

Reflect

Everything is connected through **Ranginui** and **Papatūānuku**, but where do things belong? How are you connected to your family and our earth too? Use the **Rangi & Papa** resource attached to help you reflect on these questions.

Remember to take mindful moments throughout the day, like [this one](#) acknowledging our **Papatūānuku | Earth Mother**.

Act

Here at Auckland Zoo we're passionate about conserving wildlife and wild places through science.

Have you ever wanted to be involved in conservation work? This is your chance! We're inviting avid conservation scientists of all ages to join us and [survey your backyard](#).

Curriculum links:

All lessons include aspects of the main strands of Te Whāriki the early childhood curriculum
WELLBEING | MANA ATUA, BELONGING | MANA WHENUA, CONTRIBUTION | MANA TANGATA, COMMUNICATION | MANA REO, EXPLORATION | MANA AOTŪROA

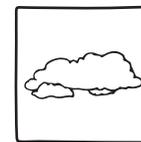
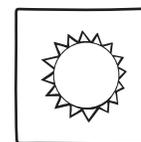
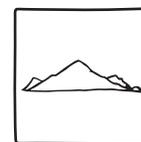
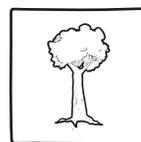
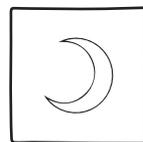
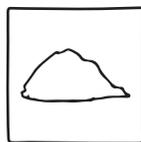
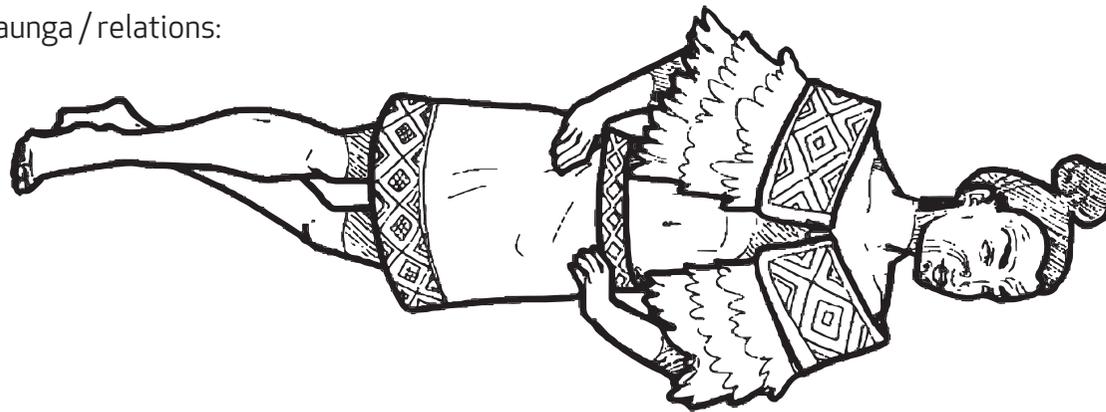
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▶▶ Ranginui and Papatūānuku

Kia Ora! We are Ranginui the Sky Father and Papatūānuku the Earth Mother. Our family sometimes call us Rangi and Papa for short. We are the parents of everything you see and feel around you.. That includes you humans and all the animals and plants in the zoo too!

To the right are drawings of some of your whanaunga / relations:

- Uira / Lightning
- Toka / Rock
- Marama / Moon
- Rākau / Tree
- Maunga / Mountain
- Tamanuiterā / Sun
- Kapua / Cloud



Instructions

Can you guess who they live with?
Draw an arrow from each whanaunga to one of us
depending on who they live with most of the time.

Either to **Ranginui** or to **Papatūānuku**.

