

Eruera Maihi Patuone: The Story of a Great Rangatira

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After you've read the journal article, answer the following questions.

Often it helps to read such an article twice. You can answer them in any order you like. Check with your teacher about where your answers should go, e.g. in your reading book or recorded digitally.

Fifty Words

In **Essence of the Text**, you show your understanding of the text as a whole.

In 50 words or fewer, summarise the key points of the text.

Vocabulary and Language

Explain the meaning of these words or phrases, in relation to the story.

- Hectare
- Pākehā
- Inherit
- Rangatira
- 'In a limited way'
- Tangi
- Avenge

Beyond the Text

The Northern Wars started not long after the signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Many Māori grew frustrated with broken promises and there was growing tensions around land ownership and country control.

Create your own map of the Northern Wars, include the following:

- Map of the North Island
- Label four main regions where fighting occurred
- Record specific dates in each region
- Under the map, write a summary of what happened during these wars and why and how they ended

Essence of the Text

The story of Patuone spans a significantly important part of our history, where many rangatira played a huge part in shaping Aotearoa.

Explain how you think a leader can influence people over a long period of time?

Reading Between the Lines

- Why do you think missionaries discouraged Māori values of mana, atu, tapu and noa?
- What do you think Patuone and Nene meant by it being 'too late' to push back Pākehā, like many rangatira wanted?
- Explain what you believe Governor Grey saw and valued in Patuone?
- Why do you think having more settlers created more problems?

Quick Find

- Who predicted the strangers coming?
- By the 1800s what food did many northern hapū start growing?
- How many Māori had died by the time the Musket Wars ended in the north?
- What did He Whakaputanga promise?
- Why did Ngāpuhi initially have an advantage in battles?
- When did Wellington become the capital of Aotearoa?
- Over how many months did it take over 500 rangatira to sign Te Tiriti o Waitangi?

Fifty Words is for you to summarise the text: just the key points. You don't need to include details that don't change the meaning or direction of the text.

Quick Find gives you some questions that you should be able to answer quickly from scanning the text.

In **Reading Between the Lines**, you get to showcase your inference skills.

Magnifying Glass asks you to look more closely at one or two passages for clues which will help you better understand the text.

Beyond the Text gives you a concept, related to the text, to explore further.

Vocabulary and Language has you look closely at a few words or phrases, and try out using them yourself.

Magnifying Glass

Eruera Maihi Patuone's quote from the story is one that we can all learn from, 'In no way neglect kindness; it is a power that will help you'.

- Share your own thoughts on the meaning of this for you and how you see it in your life.
- Take the quote and create a powerful display poster that you could put in your classroom or at home.