Science week 2 - Tread lightly

Hei mahi:

LI: To discover different unique habitats found around New Zealand

Task: Habitats in Aotearoa

Go to: https://www.doc.govt.nz/nature/habitats/

Choose ONE of the 8 habitats and click the link to explore

In your book, write down bullet points about the Habitat - features, what lives there

Alpine habitats



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Freshwater



mountains to lowland rivers and streams that flow into estuaries

Drylands



Drylands are habitats defined by the lack of water. They are home to many threatened and rare

Marine



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Estuaries



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Offshore islands



islands are isolated areas of land within New Zealand's Exclusive Economic Zone

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| <u>Habitat</u> | <u>Definition</u> | Name 3 inhabitants |
|------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Alpine habitats | - are in the mountains above the area where trees grow. | - Great spotted kiwi, geckos and weta |
| Drylands | | |
| Estuaries | | |
| Freshwater | | |
| Marine | | |
| Offshore islands | | |
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