

Why Do We Need a Passport?

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A passport is an official document issued by a government, certifying the holder's identity and citizenship and entitling them to travel under its protection to and from foreign countries. New Zealand passports (in Māori: *Uruwhenua Aotearoa*) are issued to New Zealand citizens for the purpose of international travel by the Department of Internal Affairs. New Zealand has a passport possession rate of around 75% of the population and there are around 1.5 million New Zealand biometric passports in circulation. It is ranked as one of the most powerful passports in the world.



1. Read the article, "The mighty New Zealand passport: Everything you need to know"

<http://www.stuff.co.nz/travel/kiwi-traveller/84012074/The-mighty-New-Zealand-passport-Everything-you-need-to-know>

2. When were passports first introduced in New Zealand?
3. What is a biometric passport?
4. What do you need to apply for a passport?
5. Download a copy of the application form for a passport, for children aged under 16 years.
6. How much does it cost to buy a passport?
7. What is the criteria for passport photos?
8. Now read this current events article , entitled [Inside the ski resort that voted to shut itself down](#)

Answer the following questions with a friend....

Who made the decision to close the Grand Puy ski resort?

What were the key reasons for the resort's closure?

Where is the Grand Puy ski resort located?

When did the resort vote to shut down?

Why did climate change play a role in the resort's closure?

How will the closure affect the local community and economy?