



Nature Hunt

Nā te whakarongo me te titiro ka puta mai te kōrero.
Through looking and listening, we gain wisdom.

Kia ora tamariki! Today we're going to go on a hunt for Tāne Mahuta's children - the manu (birds) and mū (insects) in our taiao (natural world). This could be in your backyard or on a hīkoi (walk) with your whānau.

DIY binoculars might help you along the way! Here's how to make a pair:

What you need:

- 2 cardboard tubes or rolled up card
- Stapler, sellotape or glue
- String, ribbon, or thin pieces of cardboard from your recycling
- Decorations - paint, colouring pencils, markers, coloured paper or cardboard (check your recycling), or flowers.

Steps:

1. Staple or stick the 2 cardboard tubes / rolled up card together
2. Cut a piece of string/ribbon/cardboard that will be long enough to go over your head easily
3. Stick/staple/tie each end of the ribbon to each tube
4. Decorate your adventure binos!



Now the hunt begins!

What you need:

- Your binos if you made them
- A sheet of paper with the manu and mū below listed.
















Steps:

1. Walk slowly and quietly around your back yard or go on a walk around your neighbourhood
2. Use your binos to help you focus in on the manu and mū
3. Note down the critters on the next page that you see
4. If you see something that wasn't on your list you can add that to your tally too
5. Count your points!





Manu/Birds and Mū/Insects

<p>Kererū- 10 pts</p> 	<p>Tūi- 5pts</p> 	<p>Pīwakawaka- 5 pts</p> 
<p>Kōtare- 15 pts</p> 	<p>Sparrow- 1pt</p> 	<p>Blackbird- 1pt</p> 
<p>Pukeko- 5pts</p> 	<p>Korimako/Bellbird- 10pts</p> 	<p>Silvereye/Tauhō- 5pts</p> 
<p>Snail/Ngata- 2pts</p> 	<p>Worm/Toke- 1 pt</p> 	<p>Bee/ Pī- 10pts</p> 
<p>Spider/ Pūngāwere- 5pts</p> 	<p>Wasp/Wāpi- 1pt</p> 	<p>Wētā- 20pts</p> 



Questions to think about...

- Were there more birds around in the morning or at night?
- What were the birds and bugs mostly doing?
- Were they making any sounds? What did it sound like?
- What sorts of places could you find more insects in?

Kupu! Kupu! Kupu! Do you know these Māori words?

Manu- Birds **Mū-** Insects **Hīkoi-** Walk **Taiao-** Natural World/ environment

Ka Rawe! Awesome!