

Puoro (Music) Challenge

Hanging with mates and listening to music is great for us all. How about getting a group of your mates together to collaborate on your own music video?

Go all out by creating natural musical instruments and dance moves the whole whānau will love!



Before you start...

Head outside and sit & listen for a few minutes. Look carefully at what's around you. Listen to the sounds you hear. What could you use to create sounds

1 Making your musical instrument

1. Go outside and have an explore in te taiao (nature)
2. Look for & collect natural objects that could be useful to make sound with
3. Once back home, get creative to make your musical instrument/s
4. Give it a name, try it out and use trial and error to get it sounding how you like it
5. Return any natural objects that don't get used back to the spot you found them

Instrument sounds: drum, whistle, flutes, taonga puoro, string sound, base or treble, beat keeper or melody...

Natural materials to try: leaves, wood, stones, shells, pīngao, water, harakeke...use different lengths/sizes to vary the sound

2 Create your waiata

1. Plan what you are going to do
2. Delegate jobs to everyone
3. Do your bit (practice/share progress with mates)
4. Record the waiata/rap or dance
5. Produce your music video
6. Have a good laugh throughout the whole process
7. Post it for friends/whānau/wider community to be entertained

Starter idea:

If you are struggling for ideas...start with a word for inspiration. You could try one of the following: Papatūānuku (Earth Mother), stars, whānau, confidence, korimako/bellbird, air, fauna, moana, life, atua

Music can help us cope with everyday life in a variety of ways.

Whether it's listening or playing music can calm us down, chill us out, be a time out or escape, express our feelings or to challenge our creative side. Whatever the reason, music in our lives is beneficial and can be used as a go to, just like hanging and chatting with mates.

Things to think about:

what made the best sound?

kua pēhea koe? how do you feel when you listen to your creation?

do you have a favourite sound in te taiao (nature)?

you could make this a whānau challenge between you and another family!

Did you know...

Māori are highly skilled at creating and playing a variety of musical instruments ALL made from nature!!

teara.govt.nz/en/maori-musical-instruments-taonga-puoro

tepapa.govt.nz/discover-collections/read-watch-play/maori/maori-musical-instruments

Naku te rourou nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

