

Knowledge-athon



#	Question	Answer
1	What is the only bird in the world with nostrils at the end of its beak?	Kiwi
2	What is the capital city of New Zealand?	Wellington
3	What is the largest lake in New Zealand?	Lake Taupo
4	What is the highest mountain in New Zealand?	Aoraki / Mount Cook
5	What is the name of the ocean on the east coast of New Zealand? (clue: it's the world's biggest)	Pacific Ocean
6	What does Rangitoto mean?	Sky blood
7	What is our school motto?	Care, Cooperation, Courtesy, Courage
8	In what year was the Treaty of Waitangi signed?	1840
9	Who is the current Prime Minister of New Zealand?	Jacinda Ardern
10	What does whānau mean?	Family
11	What shape is a koru?	Spiral/Circle/fern
12	What type of penguin is only found in New Zealand? (clue: you'll see it on the \$5 note)	Yellow - eyed penguin, Hoiho
13	What is Sir Edmund Hillary famous for?	First person to reach the top of Mt Everest
14	What is the name of the New Zealand Christmas tree?	Pohutakawa
15	Name a city in the South Island?	Christchurch, Nelson, Dunedin, Invercargill, Timaru
16	What does ANZAC stand for?	Australia, New Zealand, Army Corps
17	What does Kia ora mean?	Hello, thanks, be healthy, be well
18	What are our five school mercy values?	Aroha, Tapu, Manaakitanga, Pono, Tika
19	In which year was our school started? (Clue: you'll find it outside the front office)	1849 (as St Mary's Industrial School)
20	What is Kate Sheppard famous for?	Leading the movement to get women the right to vote

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21	Who discovered New Zealand in 1642?	Abel Tasman
22	Name of the two NZ National Anthems?	"God Defend New Zealand" or "God Save the Queen"
23	What are the three official languages of NZ?	English, Maori & NZ Sign Language
24	How many stars are on the NZ Flag?	Four
25	How many times has NZ won the Rugby World Cup?	Three
26	What is the name of the strait that separates the North and South Islands?	Cook Strait
27	What sport do the NZ Breakers play?	Basketball
28	What currency is used in NZ?	NZ Dollar
29	What is the name of the National Rugby Team of NZ?	All Blacks
30	What colours are on the NZ Flag?	Red, White & Blue
31	What is the Maori name for Auckland?	Tāmaki Makaurau
32	What are the southern lights commonly known as?	Aurora Australis
33	What is the Maori name for the sky father?	Ranginui
34	Who was Papatuanuku?	The earth mother
35	Can you explain what a Pōwhiri (Māori Ceremony) is?.	Where people are welcomed by the tangata whenua (people of the land) on a marae
36	Where was the Treaty of Waitangi signed?	Waitangi
37	What year did New Zealand give women the right to vote?	1893
38	What is the name of the northernmost point of New Zealand?	North Cape (Hikura / de Surville Cliffs)
39	What is the third largest island of New Zealand?	Stewart Island, Raikura
40	What is Jean Batten famous for?	Flying (She made the first solo flight from England to New Zealand in 1936)