

Title	Demonstrate knowledge and skills of waiata ā-ringa		
Level	2	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of waiata ā-ringa, and the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa.
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Classification	Māori Performing Arts > Te Ao Haka
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Available grade	Achieved, Merit, and Excellence
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Criteria for Merit	Demonstrate in-depth knowledge of waiata ā-ringa, and the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa with purpose.
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Criteria for Excellence	Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of waiata ā-ringa, and the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa with artistic expression.
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Guidance Information

- 1 For this assessment, it is expected that the original version of the waiata ā-ringa is used. The *original version* refers to the composer's original work; however, a variant of the original work may be acceptable where it accords with iwi, hapū, or whānau tradition. This is intended to preserve the integrity of the waiata ā-ringa and the knowledge within it.
- 2 For outcome 2, the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa are to be demonstrated without the use of aids, i.e. words are memorised.
- 3 **Assessment**
This unit standard is intended for learners of waiata ā-ringa. Assessment of skills may occur within a learning situation or a public performance, and in individual or group settings. However, each candidate must demonstrate individual competence.
- 4 Iwi, hapū, or whānau tradition is incorporated in assessment against this unit standard. Iwi, hapū, or whānau tradition refers to performance features and/or styles unique to an iwi, hapū, or whānau, and may include such things as movement, body movement, posture, stance, and/or lyrics. It is expected that candidates follow the iwi, hapū, or whānau traditions of each waiata ā-ringa item used in assessment. Other iwi, hapū, or whānau variations may be explored in order to enrich and enhance understanding.

- 5 *Demonstrate in-depth knowledge of waiata ā-ringa, and the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa with purpose* will be evidenced through:
- describing the categories of waiata ā-ringa in-depth;
 - giving an example of waiata ā-ringa from each category described,
 - describing waiata ā-ringa in-depth;
 - identifying the performance and composition style specific to each waiata ā-ringa,
 - demonstrating essential skills with purpose;
 - kia mau ki te tangi me te wairua o te rangi (maintaining the tone and the essence of the waiata ā-ringa items),
 - kia hāngai te kori o te tinana ki te wairua me ngā kupu o te waiata ā-ringa, ā, kia tika te tū (performing with deliberate movements and appropriate actions, which are relevant to the waiata ā-ringa items).
- 6 *Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of waiata ā-ringa, and the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa with artistic expression* will be evidenced through:
- comprehensively describing the categories of waiata ā-ringa;
 - linking the purpose and context of a waiata ā-ringa from each category described,
 - comprehensively describing waiata ā-ringa;
 - identifying any personal (to the composer), social, or historical influences that led to the development of the waiata ā-ringa composition,
 - demonstrating essential skills with artistic expression;
 - kia tika te whakaputa i te wairua o te rangi, mai i te tīmatanga ki te whakamutunga (sustaining the delivery of the essence of the waiata ā-ringa from start to finish),
 - kia tika te whakaputa i te wairua o te tinana me ngā kupu o te waiata ā-ringa, mai i te tīmatanga ki te whakamutunga (sustaining the waiata ā-ringa with deliberate movements and appropriate expression from start to finish).
- 7 Glossary
- Composer* refers to the author of the lyrics for an item;
- Context* refers to appropriate use (right time, right place, right occasion) of waiata ā-ringa;
- Essential skills* refer to the core features or basic performance competencies of an item;
- Item* refers to a composed piece which comprises movement, voice, and lyrics;
- Movement* refers to expressions of performance such as wiri, takahi, whātero or whētero, mahi ā-ringa, pūkana or whākana, ahei, te tū o te tāne me te wahine (i te wā tika);
- Performance* refers to the vocal and visual presentation of waiata ā-ringa;
- Pūtaka* refers to the composer, their iwi, when and why the waiata ā-ringa was composed, and their intended performance style for the waiata ā-ringa;
- Tikanga* refers to the meaning, values, and māori world view.
- 8 It is encouraged that the concepts of ihi, wehi, and wana are explored to provide learners with a meaningful understanding of the essential skills when performed at a higher level.
- 9 References
- Where applicable, ākonga are encouraged to reference. Referencing will prepare ākonga for academic writing.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of waiata ā-ringa.

Performance criteria

1.1 Waiata ā-ringa are described in terms of their categories.

Range categories of waiata ā-ringa may include but are not limited to – pōwhiri, poroporoaki, aroha, whakanui, karakia, tangi, whakatoī, ngahau, whakahāwea, whakapapa; evidence of three categories is required.

1.2 Waiata ā-ringa are described in terms of tikanga and pūtake.

Range evidence of one waiata ā-ringa from each category is required.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate the essential skills of waiata ā-ringa.

Range evidence of the performance of two waiata ā-ringa categories is required.

Performance criteria

2.1 Appropriate body movement and voice, and correct pronunciation are demonstrated in accordance with iwi, hapū, or whānau tradition, and/or the pūtake of the waiata ā-ringa.

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Comments on this unit standard

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