

NEW ZEALAND CULTURE & HERITAGE

THE GREAT KIWI QUIZ 2008

1. Which city is the capital of NZ?
2. What are the the 3 colours on the NZ flag?
3. Which of these is the Maori name for NZ?
a) Aorangi b)Aotearoa c)Aoraki
4. The Maori name for NZ means...
5. Which is our largest lake?
6. Which mountain is the highest in the country?
7. Name NZ's longest river.
8. How many stars are on the NZ flag?
9. Name the ocean that NZ is sitting in.
10. What is the name of the sea between NZ and Australia?
11. What is the name of Captain Cook's ship which he sailed on to NZ? It is also on the 50c coin.
12. What is the name of the long chain of mountains that make up the backbone of South Island?
13. Name the 3 main islands of NZ
14. NZ currency is called...
15. The largest city in NZ is not the capital. Which city is the largest?
16. Name the plant that is our national symbol.
- 17 Which flightless bird are NZers named after?
18. Which famous NZer was the first in the world to climb Mt Everest?
19. What is the name for a traditional fenced Maori village?
20. Name the port that serves Christchurch.
- 21 What is the range of hills sitting between this port and Christchurch?
22. What is the largest native tree in NZ?
23. What is the name of the stretch of water that separates the North and South Islands?
24. Which city is named The Garden City?
25. What plant did Maori weave into baskets?
26. What name is given to the Parliament Buildings in Wellington because of its shape?
27. What is the Maori word for stomach?
28. What is the name of our national museum in Wellington?
29. What is the name of the 'living dinosaur' that only lives in NZ?

30. What is the name of the river that flows through Christchurch?
31. What is the name of the Canterbury Super 14 rugby team?
32. What is the name of the Canterbury netball team?
33. Drysdale, Romney, and Merino are all breeds of what?
34. Which NZer directed the famous Lord of The Rings films?
35. What is the Maori name for the sweet potato?
36. Which island of NZ has the most people living on it?
37. What is the name given to the underground method of cooking used by Maori
38. Which NZ city is the first to see the sunrise each day?
39. Who is the famous NZ cartoonist who created Footrot Flats?
40. What important agreement between Maori chiefs and the British crown was signed in 1840?
41. In the Maori legend who was the first person to land on New Zealand after being caught in a storm?
42. What do the stars on the NZ flag represent?
43. Who was the first explorer from Europe to discover NZ?
44. Which European captain was the first to land on NZ soil?
45. What is the most northern tip on the North Island called?
46. What is the most southern point of the South Island called?
47. Which are the 2 main political parties in NZ?
48. What is the name of the hard green rock used for Maori carvings?
49. Which colour is the Maori word ma used for?
50. Which city was the capital before it moved to Wellington?
51. What is New Zealander Kiri Te Kanawa famous for?
52. In 1976 New Zealand Day was changed back to its original name. What was that original name?
53. What is the name for a Maori war dance or challenge?
54. What is the name of the piece of water that separates the South Island and Stewart Island?
55. Which Banks Peninsula town was originally settled by the French?
56. What is the more common name for the NZ owl?
57. What is the nickname of the NZ women's rugby team?
58. What did Maori villagers keep in their pataka?
59. What animals were brought to NZ by the first humans and caused the extinction of many flightless birds as well as the giant eagle?
60. Which New Zealand fruit was originally called the Chinese Gooseberry?

Answers;

1 Wellington, **2** Red, white and blue, **3** Aotearoa, **4** Land of the long white cloud, **5** Lake Taupo, **6** Mt Cook, **7** Waikato River, **8** Four, **9** The Pacific Ocean, **10** The Tasman Sea, **11** The Endeavour, **12** The Southern Alps, **13** The North Island, The South Island and Stewart Island, **14** Dollars and cents, **15** Auckland, **16** The Silver Fern, **17** Kiwis, **18** Sir Edmund Hillary, **19** A Pa, **20** Lyttelton, **21** The Port Hills, **22** The kauri tree, **23** Cook Strait, **24** Christchurch, **25** Flax, **26** The Beehive, **27** Puku, **28** Te papa, **29** The tuatara, **30** The Avon, **31** The Crusaders, **32** The Flames (now the Tactics), **33** Sheep, **34** Peter Jackson, **35** Kumara, **36** The North Island, **37** Hangi, **38** Gisborne, **39** Murray Ball, **40** The Treaty of Waitangi, **41** Kupe, **42** The Southern Cross, **43** Abel Tasman, **44** Captain James Cook, **45** Cape Reinga or North Cape, **46** Bluff, **47** National and Labour, **48** Pounamu or greenstone, **49** White, **50** Auckland, **51** Opera singing, **52** Waitangi Day, **53** The haka, **54** Foveaux Strait, **55** Akaroa, **56** Morepork, **57** The Black Ferns, **58** Food, **59** Rats and dogs, **60** Kiwi fruit.