

# Teaching for life

Te Tuakiritanga: Identity, language and culture

Ākonga Māori have a right to know and access their stories, to understand the impact of colonisation, and take action to have their truth heard.

Consider ākonga Maori right to both receive and tell counter-stories to:

- name and expose majoritarian stories, racism, assimilation, colonisation and the trauma it has caused without compromise
- debate forcefully
- research relentlessly
- write powerfully
- speak out fearlessly
- take action to have their truth heard
- be activists?

It is as important for your non-Maori and ākonga Māori alike.

Consider the support you will need to put in place to ensure that ākonga Māori feel safe to speak out.

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