

NGĀ MIHI – BASIC GREETINGS



AN EXAMPLE OF BASIC GREETINGS THAT CAN BE USED AT WORK

HE MIHI ŌKAWA

Tēnā koe (Ingoa)
Tēnā kōrua
Tēnā koutou

FORMAL LETTER, EMAIL OR ADDRESS

Dear (Name), Hello to one person
Hello to two people
Hello to three or more people

HE MIHI ŌPAKI

Kia ora
Kia ora kōrua
Kia ora koutou

INFORMAL LETTER, EMAIL OR ADDRESS

Hi, hello any number of people
Hello to two people
Hello to three or more people

HE KUPU WHAKAMUTUNGA

Nā (Ingoa)
Nāku iti noa, nā
Ngā mihi

LETTER OR EMAIL SIGNOFF

From (Name)
Yours sincerely
Kind regards or thank you

HE MIHI Ā-WAEA, Ā-KANOHI RĀNEI

Mōrena
Ata mārie
Haere mai
Kia ora rā
Mā te wā
Ka kite anō
Haere rā
E noho rā

FOR PHONE CONVERSATIONS OR IN PERSON

Good morning
Good day
Welcome
Thank you
Bye for now, see you later
See you again
Goodbye (to someone leaving)
Goodbye (to someone staying)

KĪWAHA

Ka pai!
Tino pai!
Ka rawe!
Tino rawe!

SAYINGS

Good stuff!
Great stuff!
How lovely!
Superb!

WHAKATAUKI

E iti noa ana nā te aroha
A small thing given with love
Waiho i te toipoto, kua i te toiroa
Let us keep close together not far apart
He manawa tītī
A heart of the sooty shearwater. A person with great endurance

PROVERBS

He rau ringa e oti ai
Many hands make light work
Whaowhia te kete mātauranga
Fill the basket of knowledge
Mauri tū mauri ora
An active soul is a healthy soul

