

Cloze Activity

Whakakīngia ngā āputa ki te kupu e tika ana.
Select the kupu that best retells the story of Makō at Ōpōkihi

There are many different Māori tribes, or iwi, and this is a story about Makō, a great chief of the Ngāti Kurī tribe. He rose to prominence at the battle of _____.

Ngāti Kurī lived at _____, which literally means "to eat crayfish." Kaikōura was an area rich in resources and abundant with _____ and as such was a prize worth fighting for.

Occasionally fighting broke out with a neighbouring tribe called _____ who lived just down the coast at a place called _____. A pā is a _____ with palisades and defensive terraces. Peketā Pā sat high up on a cliff face overlooking the rocky Kaikōura coastline. Ngāti Kurī had tried to take the pā many times but it was considered _____.

Makō's uncle, Te Rākaitauheke, dressed in an old _____ and under the cover of darkness placed himself on the beach beneath the cliffs of the pā. Seals were highly valued and this one lured the Ngāti Māmoe people out of the safety of the _____ and onto the beach.

But little did they know that Makō, Maru, their younger brother Kahupupuni and other _____ warriors were lying in ambush not far away. Ngāti Māmoe ran straight into the _____ and the fighting began. Maru took a spear to the _____ and was badly injured.

Makō saw his brother in trouble and rushed in to _____ him, fighting off his attackers and with the help of his brother _____ they dragged Maru to safety.

Makō had shown _____ and saved his brother from certain death and so it was here at the battle of Ōpōkihi that his reputation as a great _____ was born.

He puna kupu:

fortified	Kahupupuni	Peketā Pā	seal skin
settlement	warrior	pā	food
Kaikōura	Ngāti Māmoe	trap	Ōpōkihi
bravery	protect	impregnable	shoulder