

Learning a New Language

You are going to listen to three parts of a programme from New Zealand about learning a new language. There will be a pause after each part when you can answer the questions.

Answer the questions either by writing a few words or by marking the best alternative – A, B, C or D – in the boxes. You will hear the programme TWICE, the second time without any pauses. You can make notes in the margin while listening. At the end you will have one minute to check all your answers.

Notes

Part 1

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1 How many languages did Harold Williams speak? _____

2 What was Williams's job? _____

3 When is a foreign language useful for getting around abroad?

When you are looking for ...

_____ and _____ (2 pts)

4 Mark Derby became interested in languages ...

- A thanks to a teacher
- B after an accident
- C by pure chance
- D during a crisis

5 Why did the young woman find her studies rather hard?



Tino Rangatiratanga - the national Maori flag of New Zealand.

Part 2

6 Derby found out that Maori was ...

- A mainly spoken at home
- B still very much in use
- C rarely taught in schools
- D often used in ball games

7 Derby and the young woman ...

- A wrote for a newspaper
- B took classes together
- C worked at the college
- D got private lessons

8 How did Derby first start to learn the Maori language?

9 In what situations is it useful for him to know Maori?
Give **one** example.

10 Some students of Maori ...

- A learned the language well
- B admired the Maori culture
- C preferred working in groups
- D were interested in its history

Part 3

11 What input would make it easier to learn Maori, says Derby?
Give **two** examples.

- _____
- _____ (2 pts)

12 What is said about the Maori language today?

- A Maori newspapers are growing
- B It is important for business
- C Evening classes are popular
- D More people are interested

13 What inspires Derby to become better at Maori?

14 What does he compare learning a language to?

15 To avoid forgetting a language, Derby says that you need to ...

16 What does he feel a bit sad about?

