

A BRIEF HISTORY OF MAORI LANGUAGE



A History of Te Reo Māori and the English Language in New Zealand

Match the dates below with the events in the list.

1814	 the early 1860s	 1975	
1820	 the 1920s	 1983	
the 1820s	 1972	 1987	

- (a) The first Maori radio station
- (b) New Zealanders of European origin become the majority population
- (c) Maori teach each other to read and write
- (d) Maori Language Week is introduced
- (e) Associations petition Parliament to promote the Maori language
- (f) The first attempt to write the Maori language
- (g) A decline in the teaching of the Maori language at school
- (h) Te Reo becomes an official language
- (i) A Cambridge professor works with a Maori chief on writing the language

SOLUTIONS : 1814 (f) - 1820 (i) - the 1820s (c) - the early 1860s (b) - the 1920s (g) - 1972 (e) - 1975 (d) -1983 (a) - 1987 (h).



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