Maori culture

- Polynesian people approximately 1,500 tribes in New Zealand since approximately 1300s
- 14.6% of population is Maori
- Unique aspects of Maori culture to consider:
- Tattoos body and face
- Haka traditional dance, most often but not always a war dance

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=54XeuHHFc80

KA MATE! KA MATE!

It is death! It is death!

We were at war

KA ORA! KA ORA!

It is life! It is life!

But now there is peace.

KA MATE! KA MATE!

We're going to die! We're going to die!

We thought we were all going to die

KA ORA! KA ORA!

We're going to live! We're going to live!

but now we are safe

TENEI TE TANGATA PU-HURU-HURU

This is the man, so hairy

because our leader, so strong and masculine,

NANA NEI I TIKI MAI, WHAKAWHITI TE RA!

who fetched, and made shine the sun!

has unified us and brought back the sunny days of peace!

UPANE! KA UPANE!

Together! Keep together!

We are all working in harmony, side by side,

HUPANE! KAUPANE!

Up the step! A second step!

making steady progress

WHITI TE RA! HI!

Out comes the sun! Ahh!

to prolong these sunny days of peace.

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=HVcAyFiFeE0

Hakas may be used to celebrate as well.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x16TRTBZUMM

Maori Haka for fallen comrades during Iraq War, 2012





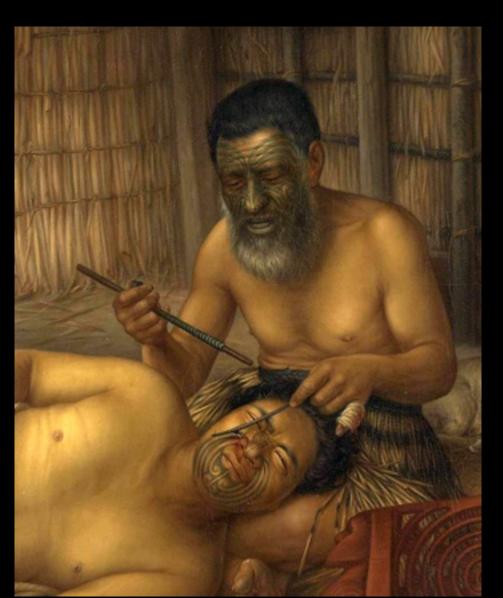


Historic Ta Moko



18th century
Maori carved
feeding
funnel

http://bestofworldart.tumblr.com





Western fashion designers







Jean Paul Gaultier



Remember:

- Formal (color, texture, pattern, use of space...)
- Function
- Material (what's it made of? How was it made?)
- Historic (what was happening at the time that influenced it? What preceded or followed?)
- Biographic (who made it? Why did they make it?)
- Social/cultural context (what does this object say about society at that time?)