

PLACE: Learning framework



POWER

- Is it a place which reveals power relations in society?
- Its meaning for people may have been silenced or marginalised in the past.
- People felt or continue to feel a sense of belonging there, while others feel excluded.

LEGENDARY

- The place or monument is 'storied'.
- People tell legends there and the place helps to sustain myths.

CHANGE

How has the place or memorial changed over time, whether physically or in terms of how it is used or viewed?

CONTEST AND CONNECTION

- Was this place or monument argued over?
- Is it still a source of debate?
- People may feel a connection to it, often for varied reasons.

EVOCATIVE

The place or monument is one where you can 'feel' history.

Note: Frameworks like these do not replace a unit of learning grounded in mātauranga Māori. Consideration and mana whenua input are always necessary, especially in relation to wāhi tapu (sacred place or site).

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