



Whaikorero: The World of Maori Oratory

By Poia Rewi

Auckland University Press, New Zealand, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Bilingual. 238 x 196 mm. Language: English, Maori . Brand New Book. Anyone who has been welcomed on to a marae in New Zealand, will understand that whaikorero - oratory - is at the heart of Maori culture. Whaikorero: The World of Maori Oratory is the first introduction to this fundamental Maori art to be widely published. It is based on broad research as well as oral histories from 30 of the leading exponents of whaikorero, many of whom have subsequently died. Author Poia Rewi s informants are affiliated to many iwi including Tuhoe, Ngati Kahungunu, Te Arawa, Ngati Porou, Ngati Awa, Waikato-Maniapoto, Te Whakatohea, Nga Puhi, and Ngati Whare. In Whaikorero, Poia Rewi assesses the origin and history of whaikorero; its structure, language and style of delivery; who may speak; and where speech happens. Featuring a range of samples, this handy guide provides high quality exemplars for learners and intermediate speakers of te reo Maori wishing to improve their whaikorero skills. It will be a major book for everyone interested in Maori and Polynesian cultures.



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