



Russell Museum Questionnaire 3

This questionnaire assists students and teachers to gain an appreciation of pre-European and first contact history that makes Russell as well as the Bay of Islands unique. Answers may be found in Russell Museum displays, old photographs on computer, information boards, and our unique video of historic Russell. Each section builds an understanding of the dynamics of Russell's history allowing students and teachers to make the most of their visit to Russell Museum.

Russell

1. What is Russell's original Maori name and what does it mean?
2. What is the story behind Russell's original name?
3. What Maori tribes occupied this area in pre-European times?
4. What natural resources did Maori find and use here?
5. How did the town get the name Russell?
6. When was the name changed to Russell?
7. What has Russell been famous for in the past?
8. What is Russell famous for today?

Captain Cook

1. What is the name of Captain Cook's ship?
2. Where, in the Bay of Islands, did Captain Cook's ship anchor?
3. How long did Captain Cook visit the Bay of Islands for?
4. What did Captain Cook find on his visit to the Bay of Islands?
5. Which country is Captain Cook and his ship from?
6. Did Captain Cook and his crew meet with Maori? Where?
7. On which island did Captain Cook go ashore?

Bicultural conflict, politics and social history

1. Name three Maori chiefs and the hapu or iwi they represented who had links to Russell?
2. What were these chiefs famous for?
3. Which chief chopped down the flagstaff and how many times? Why?
4. What happened in this town in March 1845?
5. What is the name (and its meaning) of the flagstaff on Maiki Hill today? (A piece is in our museum)
6. Russell had many resources attractive to settlers. What were some of them?
7. Settlers came to Russell from which countries?
8. What were some problems settlers were likely to encounter?
9. What were the main religions being introduced to Maori and settlers. Who were their principle leaders?

Industry and trade

1. Name three industries linked to Russell?
2. Do any of these industries still exist today?
2. What is Kauri gum & how was it used?
3. Where was the nearest whaling station located?
4. Who was Zane Grey?
5. Why was the ship "Clansman" important to this town?
6. What is "Fullers" famous for?

Russell Museum

1. What type of waka is displayed in Russell Museum? What is its Maori name?
2. How many birds can you find in the museum and what are their names?
3. There is one particular bird that has inspired a book. What is the book's name and what is the story about?
4. What weapons are displayed in Russell Museum and how were they used?
5. What is the name of the large map on the west wall and what is its significance?
6. There is a famous boat on display outside the museum? What is its name and what was it used for?
7. Remnants of an old house stand in the museum grounds. Which Maori chief did it belong to?