MĀORI GREETING & SIGNOFFS

FOR LETTERS AND EMAILS

GREETINGS

Formal letter or email

Tēnā koe [name] Dear [name] Greeting (one person)

Tēnā kōrua Greeting (two people), don't insert the names.

Tēnā koutou Greeting (three or more people)

Informal letter or email

Kia ora can mean hello, good morning, good afternoon and thank you.

Kia ora Hello (any number of people)

Kia ora kōrua Hello (two people)

Kia ora koutou Hello (three or more people)

Mōrena or Ata mārie Good morning

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Ngā mihi Thank you

Ngā mihi nui

Ngā mihi maioha

Aroha mai

Kei te pēhea koe?

Kei te pēhea kōrua?

Thank you very much

Thank you with appreciation

How are you? (one person)

How are you? (two people)

Kei te pēhea koutou? How are you? (three or more people)

Kei te pai I'm well
Kei te tino pai I'm very well
Kia manahau! Enjoy!

Ka mau te wehi! Awesome! Fantastic! Mere Kirihimete Merry Christmas

SIGNOFFS

Nā From

Nāku, nā Yours faithfully Nāku iti noa, nā Yours sincerely

Ngā mihi Kind regards or thank you

Ngā mihi nui Kind regards (with more emphasis on gratitude)

Hei konā mai Goodbye for now

Mā te wā Bye for now, see you later

Noho ora mai Stay well, look after yourself, good bye

Kia pai tō rā Have a nice day

Kia pai tō kōrua rā Have a nice day (two people)

Kia pai tō koutou rā Have a nice day (three or more people)

Kia pai tō rā whakatā Have a great weekend!

