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Tuia 250
Mātauranga
Legacy of Learning

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Recently, we asked a group of students from Aotearoa to talk about Tuia Legacy of Learning. These thoughts and perspectives are their own. Use this video to prompt discussion and explore your own perspectives and values.

Did Captain Cook lay the foundation for the current systemic injustices towards Māori?

Students' voices

Because Captain Cook came here he brought different goods like he also brought white people. He brought different materials and tools and different ideas and how to live. And that really changed everybody's perspective.

It was good and bad, because he killed lots of people who didn't need to be killed. They weren't supposed to be killed. It wasn't good. But then it's also good because we're here now and it's actually nice. It's getting better. We're treating everybody nicely now

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You have heard what these learners think. How would you answer this question? Pause this video to explore your perspectives.

What might have happened if the first encounter with Māori had ended badly for Captain Cook?

Students' voices

Well, it depends how early on he had been killed. Like, if it was quite early on, odds are nothing much would have changed for a long time. Things would have just stayed the way that the Māori had it. It would have still affected them though, because if he did leave early on there would still be the Māori killed. So it would still affect Māori but he would be dead so we wouldn't bring in, you know, different people into here.

But if he got killed later and the British already knew, they might have thought that they might have to conquer it. And they wouldn't have ended up in like even if the Treaty of Waitangi was bad, it doesn't mean, like it was better than just war.

if Captain Cook hadn't come here I would speak Maori fluently.

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Do you think there was a difference in feeling between those iwi that did meet Cook and those that didn't?

Students' voices

Maybe they felt like why didn't we get these special gifts that came from the white people. Or maybe, they might have felt jealous, they might have thought that at least we're lucky enough that none of us got killed.

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