

# The TANIWHA!

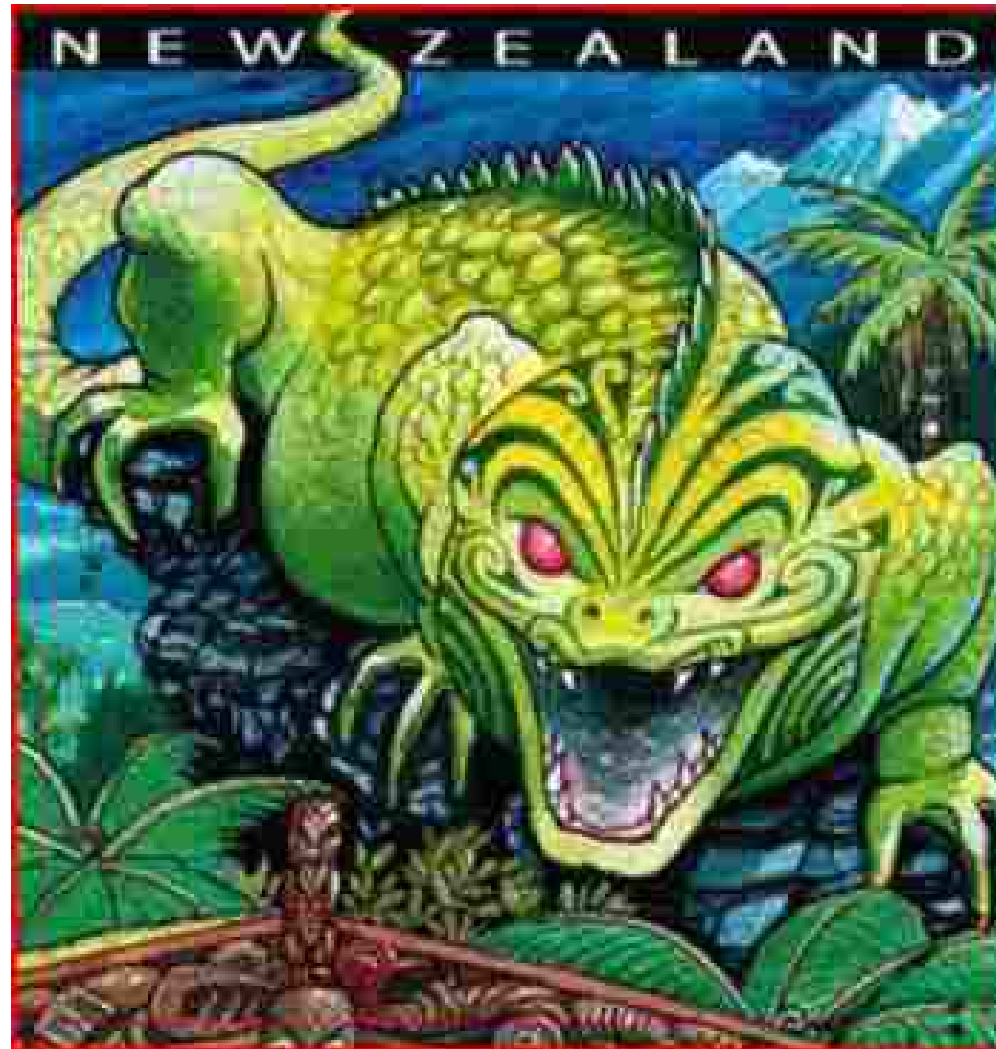


# **A Taniwha is a traditional dragon in Maori culture in New Zealand**

**Taniwhas usually live in the lakes, the rivers or  
the sea. Not many people ever see a Taniwha**



**Some Taniwhas look like a lizard**



# Some Taniwhas look like a whale



**Some Taniwhas are good – they  
protect people**



**Some Taniwhas are bad – they hurt people**



# **Some Maori words:**

- **Taniwha – Water dragon**
- **Waikatoa (River) – Big water (River)**
- **Taringa – ear**
- **Kowhai (Tree) – Yellow (Tree)**
- **Haere ra - Goodbye**

# Video and Song

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Co6YtoDv4hw>

**Fill out the missing words in the song**