



CULTURAL JOURNEY: ENGLISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES

Hello!
Kia Ora! Hi!



GRAMMAR HELPER

1. Simple Past (Past Facts)

Use this to talk about things that happened in the past.

- **Regular (+ed):** lived, started, visited
- **Irregular:** is → was / are → were, create → created

Example: "In 1965, Canada adopted its new flag."



2. Zero Conditional (General Truths)

Use this to state real facts and habits:

If / When + Present Simple, Present Simple

Example: "If you visit New Zealand, people say 'Kia Ora!'"



1 Activity 1: Historical Facts (Simple Past)

Fill in the blanks using the correct past tense verb from the Word Bank.

Word Bank: lived | originated | became | landed | created



1. **Australia:** The First Nations people _____ in Australia for thousands of years before Europeans arrived.
2. **United States:** In 1969, astronauts _____ on the moon.
3. **Jamaica:** Reggae music _____ in Jamaica in the 1960s.
4. **New Zealand:** In 1893, New Zealand _____ the first country to let women vote.
5. **Scotland:** Long ago, Scottish families _____ special patterned clothes called tartans.



2 Activity 2: Match & Complete (Zero Conditional)

Match Part A with Part B to make zero conditional sentences about everyday facts.

Part A

- 1 If you go to Ireland, _____
- 2 If it is Thanksgiving in the USA, _____
- 3 If you visit Canada in winter, _____
- 4 If you listen to music in Trinidad, _____

Part B

- A families eat a big meal together.
- B it gets very cold and snows.
- C you hear beautiful traditional instruments.
- D people welcome you with friendly smiles.

Write the full sentences here:

- 1 If you go to Ireland, _____
- 2 If it is Thanksgiving in the USA, _____
- 3 If you visit Canada in winter, _____
- 4 If you listen to music in Trinidad, _____



3 Activity 3: Guided Paragraph Writing

Choose ONE country to write about:

- ☐ **Australia** (Koalas, great beaches, ancient culture)
- ☐ **Canada** (Ice hockey, maple syrup, cold winters)
- ☐ **Jamaica** (Reggae music, warm weather, delicious food)
- ☐ **United Kingdom** (Historic castles, tea time, rainy days)



Use the Sentence Starters below to build your paragraph (4–5 sentences)!

- Sentence 1 (Intro):** My chosen country is _____.
- Sentence 2 (Past Fact):** In the past, people in this country (started / created / built / lived) _____.
- Sentence 3 (Past Fact):** It became famous when _____.
- Sentence 4 (Zero Conditional):** If you visit _____, you see/eat/hear _____.
- Sentence 5 (Conclusion):** I respect this culture because _____.

