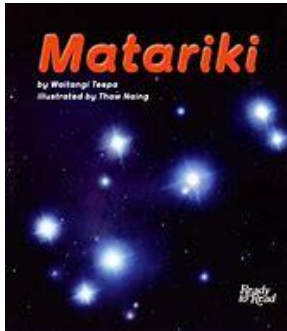


## Follow up activity ideas for Matariki



### Matariki by Waitangi Teepa Illustrated by Thaw Naing

You can watch the story again here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6pfh0lmnPRU>

You might be able to find the story in your library or at school in your Ready to Read books.

### Read/Watch the Story together

- Focus on the information about celebrating and use this to talk about other New Years celebrations around the world. What might your students do in their own culture?
- Talk about how you might celebrate Matariki with you own whanau.
- Discuss what knowledge you already have about the night sky e.g. star constellations or moon phases.

### More stories and books about Matariki on YouTube:

- Together in Love – A Legend of Matariki  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VXQoyNxdDWY>
- The Stars of Matariki (Sand Art)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=30V9\\_BUPt50](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=30V9_BUPt50)
- The Story of Matariki (Introduction to the Matariki Story)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSh-T2uHpEs>
- Stolen stars of Matariki (NZ Symphony Orchestra)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sWWcM0BWwwc>
- The Legend of Matariki and the Six Sisters  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zBFAOC5KdzE>
- Daniels Matariki Feast  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rldh-pNDkSo>

**Watch: How to find Matariki in the Night Sky**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h3ETD3rPnFQ>

**Other activities to celebrate Matariki**

**Arts and Crafts:**

**Weaving**

You can make many different things when learning about weaving. See here for how to make a woven star for Matariki using ribbon.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WIPXj6H2src>

**Blue Star Glitter Slime**

You can mimic the look of the night sky and Matariki by making some sparkly slime to squish and squeeze.

Here is the recipe:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2sfUXsynDRE>

**Night Sky Painting**

You can also paint what you see in the night Sky using sparkly paints, glue, and glitter. See if you can make the 7 sisters of Matariki stand out by adding stars.

[https://www.kiwifamilies.co.nz/matariki\\_water\\_paint\\_glitter\\_art/](https://www.kiwifamilies.co.nz/matariki_water_paint_glitter_art/)



**Food and Kai:**

**Sharing Kai**

Preparing and sharing food with friends and family is a traditional part of Matariki.

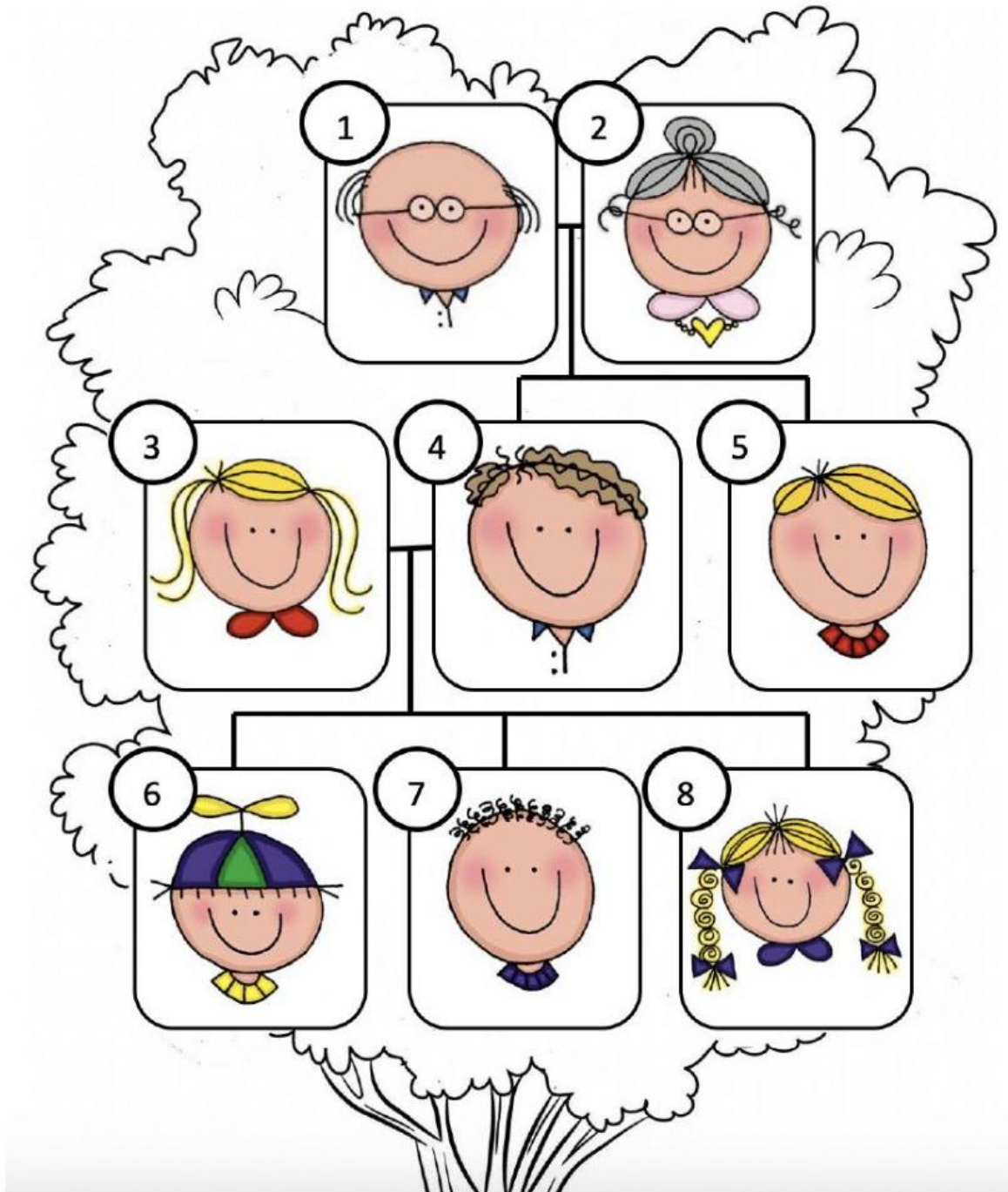
You may have a recipe that is special to you and your family. This is a great time of year to share cooking and food together.

If you cannot cook together, you can also share ideas about what you would bring along to a Matariki feast. What are some special dishes that you love to eat with your whanau?

**Whakapapa:**

At Matariki we remember our ancestors, this is a great time of year to think about who we are and where we come from. You can discuss together about your own cultures and family trees.

Here are some visuals to represent a family tree – you can make these your own to represent your whanau.



-Number 1 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-Number 5 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-Number 2 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-Number 6 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-Number 3 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-I am number 7.

-Number 4 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

-Number 8 is my \_\_\_\_\_.

# Rākau Whakapapa - Family Tree

Ōku Kaumātua - My Grandparents

Tōku Koro -  
My Grandfather

Tōku Kuia  
My Grandmother

Tōku Koro -  
My Grandfather

Tōku Kuia -  
My Grandmother

Ōku Mātua - My Parents

Tōku Pāpā - My Dad

Tōku Māmā - My Mum

Ko Ahau - Me