

# UNPARALLELED PALINDROMES

## (Year 7 students)

A palindrome is a word that reads the same if it is turned back-to-front. So the names Bob, Eve, and Otto are all palindromes.

You may know some of these New Zealand places names (mountains, streams and individual homesteads etc) that are palindromes:

Ada Pass, Canterbury

Aka Aka, Auckland

Aoroa, Northland;

Ava, Wellington

Glenelg Homestead, Christchurch

Gog Hill, Canterbury;

Oeo, Taranaki

Okararko, Northland

Opopo Stream, Wairarapa

Otototo, Wanganui

Mount Pup, Marlborough

Unu Unu stream, Wairarapa

- 1 Which ones are New Zealand Maori names and which ones are New Zealand English Names?
  - a. How can you tell?
  - b. Find 5 more palindromes from te reo Maori that are used in New Zealand English or 3 more palindromes from te reo Maori that are used in New Zealand English, of more than 3 letters, using a New Zealand English dictionary.