

How to activate your te reo Māori keyboard

Apple MacBooks

- Click the **Apple** logo in the top-left corner of your screen
- Select **System Settings** (or **System Preferences** on older versions)
- Click **Keyboard** in the sidebar.
- Go to **Text Input**, then click **Edit** (or select the **Input Sources** tab).
- Click the **+** (add) button in the bottom-left corner.
- Type Māori in the search bar, select it from the list, and click **Add**.



How to use the Māori keyboard on your MacBook

Switching language keyboards

Switch to the Māori keyboard by clicking the input menu icon (usually a small keyboard or language symbol) in the top-right menu bar.

Typing macrons (tohutō)

To type a tohutō, hold down the **Option** (Alt) key while pressing a vowel. Or press the tilde (~) key before the vowel, depending on your specific macOS layout.

You can find official guidance via Apple support:

<https://support.apple.com/en-nz/guide/mac-help/mchlp1406/mac>

Check your keyboard before assessment day

Type the following letters to make sure your keyboard is working correctly:

Ā Ē Ī Ō Ū and ā ē ī ō ū

If you can type all 10 correctly, your keyboard is ready to use.