

Student 6: High Not Achieved

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*Student Statement:*

- 1 My Kowhaiwhai painting tells the story about my Cook Island heritage. I have lived in the Cook Island and New Zealand so I wanted to show this by using images from both cultures. The two manaia figures are Karika and Tangiia who were the first two ancestors to settle on the island. They fought and divided the island into two family lines. I belong to the tangiia bloodline. The two figures also show me in two worlds – in my country of origin and where I am now. The Kowhaiwhai I have used is the Mangopare (shark) design because I thought it was appropriate to show my place in the Pacific.

