



## L6: 3d MAORI GIRL, TYPE (Recess)

Wearing a headband of plaited flax, dyed red and black, this is the first stamp for regular postage issued in New Zealand with a portrait of someone other than the monarch. A feather of the extinct huia, which was omitted from the original proof, is inserted in the headband, and a tiki is suspended from her neck. This was the only value of the set where the photogravure version was considered to be effective. Typical Maori designs make up the border. The engraver "just missed obtaining the characteristic nose and lip lines of the Polynesian race, with the result that the portrait leans towards a European type.

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Colour: Natal Brown

	L6a	L6b	LO6b
<b>Issue</b>	Original issue W.7	Change to Multiple Watermark W.8	Official overprint on L1b
Date	1935 May 1	1936 August	1938 March 1
Printer	De La Rue & Co	De La Rue & Co	De La Rue & Co
Perforation	De La Rue & Co 14 * 13 ½	De La Rue & Co 14*13 ½	De La Rue & Co 14*13 ½
Plate	2	2	2
Watermark			
	<b>W.7</b>	<b>W.8</b>	<b>W.8</b>
Paper	Esparto	Esparto	Esparto
Colour	Dark Chocolate	1. Deep Chocolate 2. Reddish-chocolate	1. Deep Chocolate 2. Reddish-chocolate