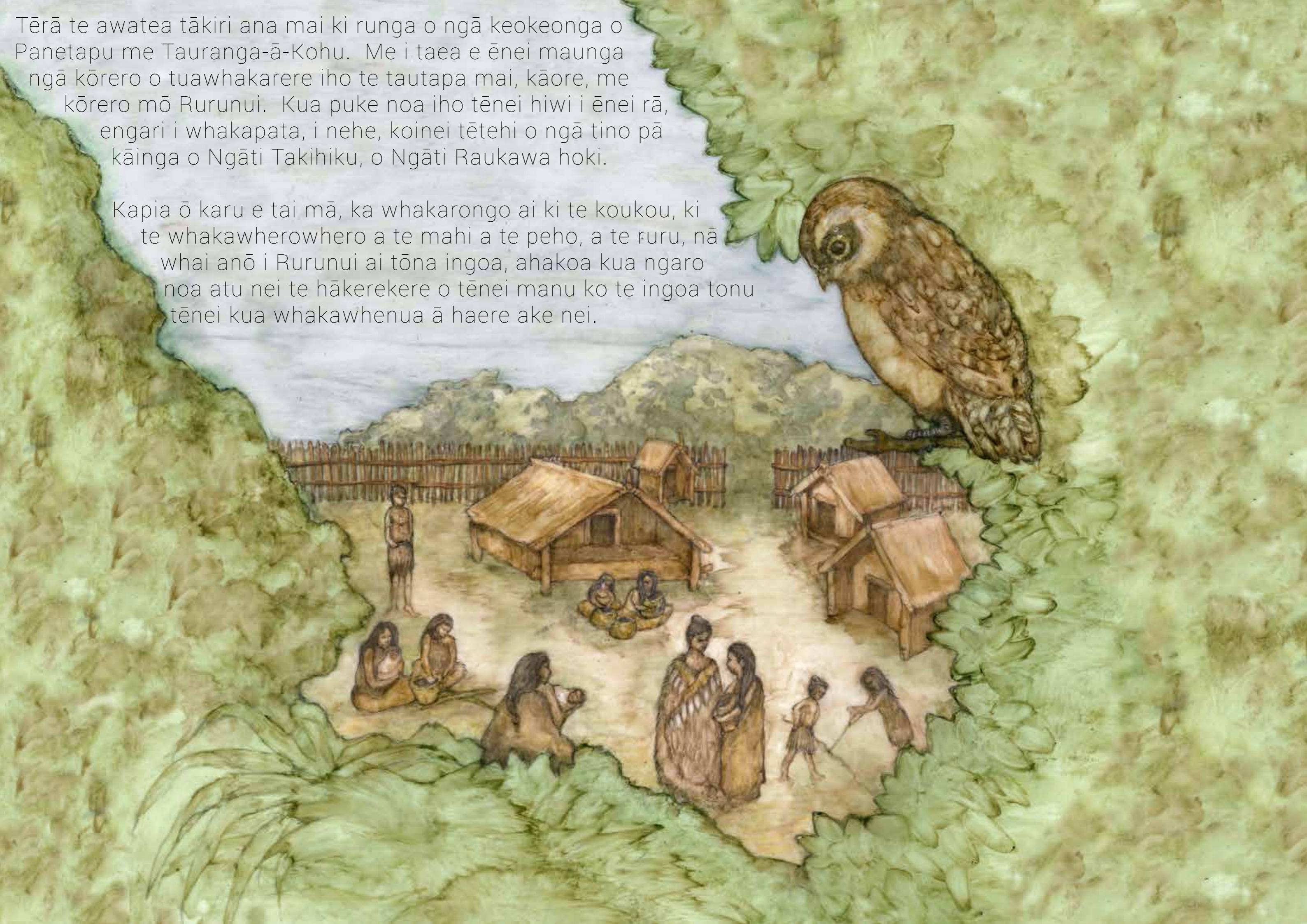
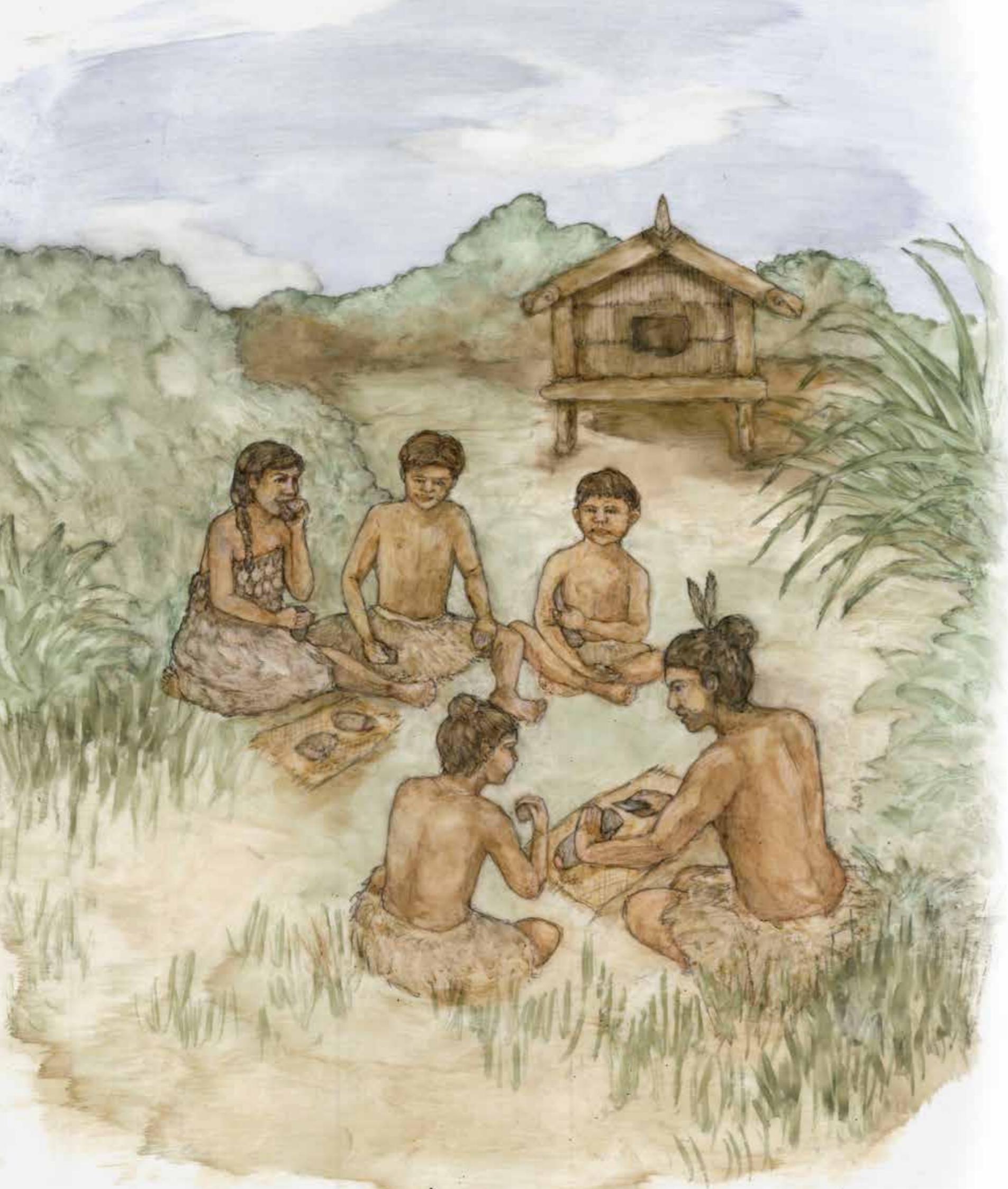


# TE AROHA O RURUNUI

Tērā te awatea tākiri ana mai ki runga o ngā keokeonga o Panetapu me Tauranga-ā-Kohu. Me i taea e ēnei maunga ngā kōrero o tuawhakarere iho te tautapa mai, kāore, me kōrero mō Rurunui. Kua puke noa iho tēnei hiwi i ēnei rā, engari i whakapata, i nehe, koinei tētehi o ngā tino pā kāinga o Ngāti Takihiku, o Ngāti Raukawa hoki.

Kapia ō karu e tai mā, ka whakarongo ai ki te koukou, ki te whakawherowhero a te mahi a te peho, a te ruru, nā whai anō i Rurunui ai tōna ingoa, ahakoa kua ngaro noa atu nei te hākerekere o tēnei manu ko te ingoa tonu tēnei kua whakawhenua ā haere ake nei.





Mō konei, mō ōna rahinga ngā kōrero tuku iho e whai ake nei. Me taotaotahi mai i a Hoturoa te tangata nāna te waka o Tainui i whakakau ki Hawaiki-tautau, ki Aotearoa. Nāna ko Hotuope, nāna ko Hotumatapū, ana ko rātou i rere mai i te waka raka, ka rere ki waho ko Mōtai-Tangata-Rau te uri tuatahi i whānau mai i koneki, ka tūturu ai te noho tangata whenua.

I a ia ko Uetapu kia puta mai ki waho ko Rakamaomao, nāna ko Kākati, ka heke mai ki a Tāwhao, ananā ana tamariki rongonui ko Whatihua rāua ko Tūrongo. Nā Tū' ko Raukawa hei matua ki tana tokowhā ki a Rereahu rātou ko Whakatere, ko Kurawari me Takihiku te pōtikitiki whakahirahira i whāngaia ki te hiku o te heke.



Nā Takihiku ko Tamatehura, tō muri ko Wairangi, tō muri iho ko Upokoiti, ka rere anō ki muri ko Pipito, ko Ngakohua te whakapākanga. Koinei te tokowhā i pepehatia ki te kōrero nei, ki "Ngā Rei-a-Maikukutara". Noho katoa ana rātou i Rurunui, i reira tō rātou kāinga me ā rātou māra kai.

He pai tēnei wāhi, he tata ki ngā ngahere mōmona, he tata hoki ki ngā awa kīkī i te tuna. Koinei ō rātou pātaka kai. I ūna wā i haere te iwi nei ki te moana ki te kite i ū rātou whanaunga, ki te mahi kai moana hoki. Ka haria anō e rātou ngā kai o uta hei tauhokohoko ki ngā kai o tai.

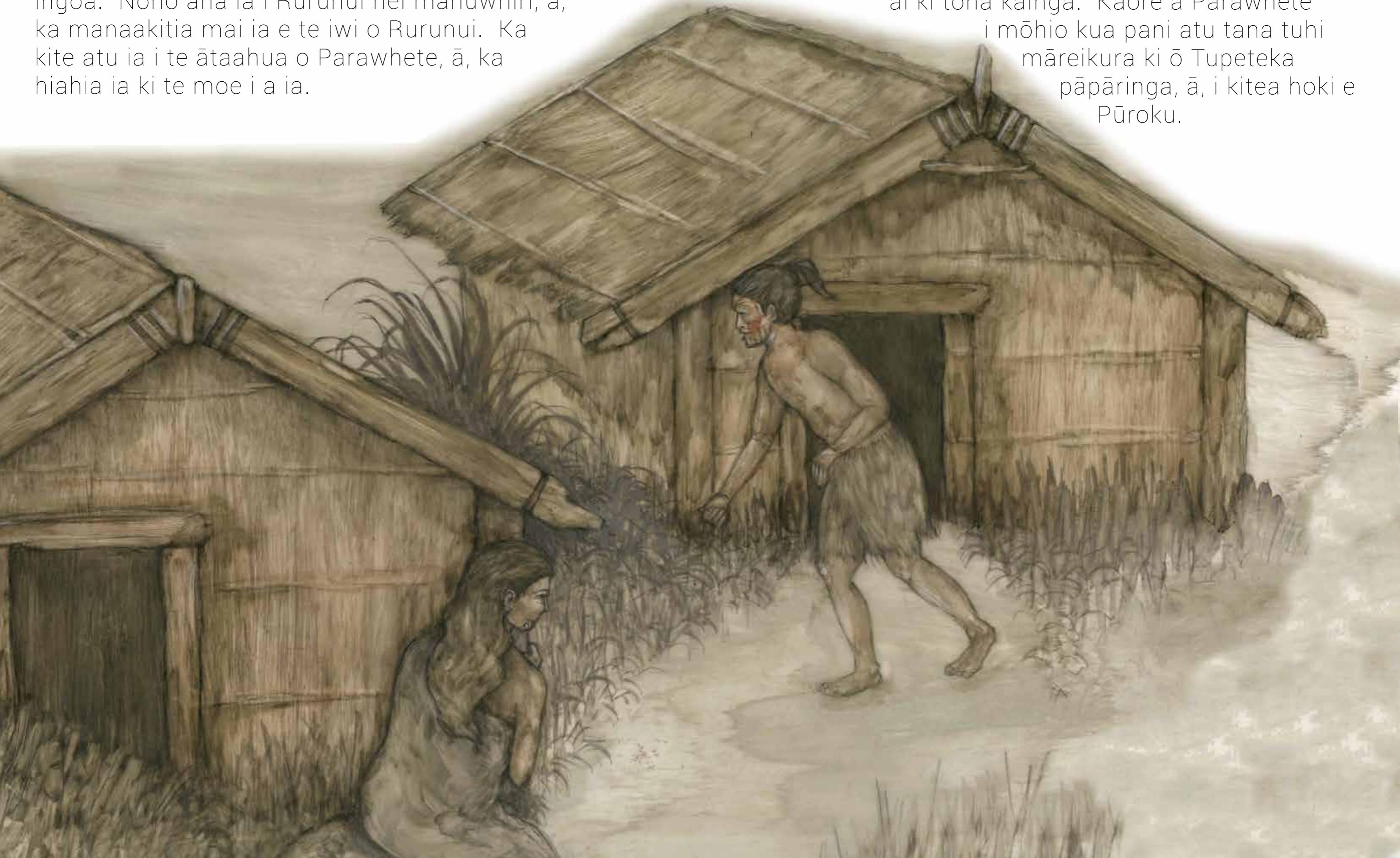


E rua ngā wāhine a Wairangi, ko tana wahine matua ko Parawhete, ko tana wahine punarua ko Pūroku. Ahakoa i noho ēnei wāhine i te kāinga kotahi, arā ngā wā ka tupu te pūhaehae me te tohetohe i waenganui i a rāua; heoi anō rā, i taea hoki te pēwhea.

Tērā tētehi rā, ka hiahia a Wairangi mā ki te haere ki tātahi, nō reira ka whakaritea ā rātou utauta me ētehi kai hei haringa mā rātou ki ū rātou uri e noho ana i Kāwhia Moana. Ka haere, ā, ko te nuinga o te iwi i noho tonu hei toutou i te ahi kā, hei tiaki hoki i te pā o Rurunui.

Nō rātou mā ko Wairangi e ngaro ana ki Kāwhia, ka tae mai tētehi rangatira nō Ngāti Maru, nō Hauraki ki roto i te rohe o Wharepūhunga, ko Tupeteka tōna ingoa. Noho ana ia i Rurunui hei manuwhiri, ā, ka manaakitia mai ia e te iwi o Rurunui. Ka kite atu ia i te ātaahua o Parawhete, ā, ka hiahia ia ki te moe i a ia.

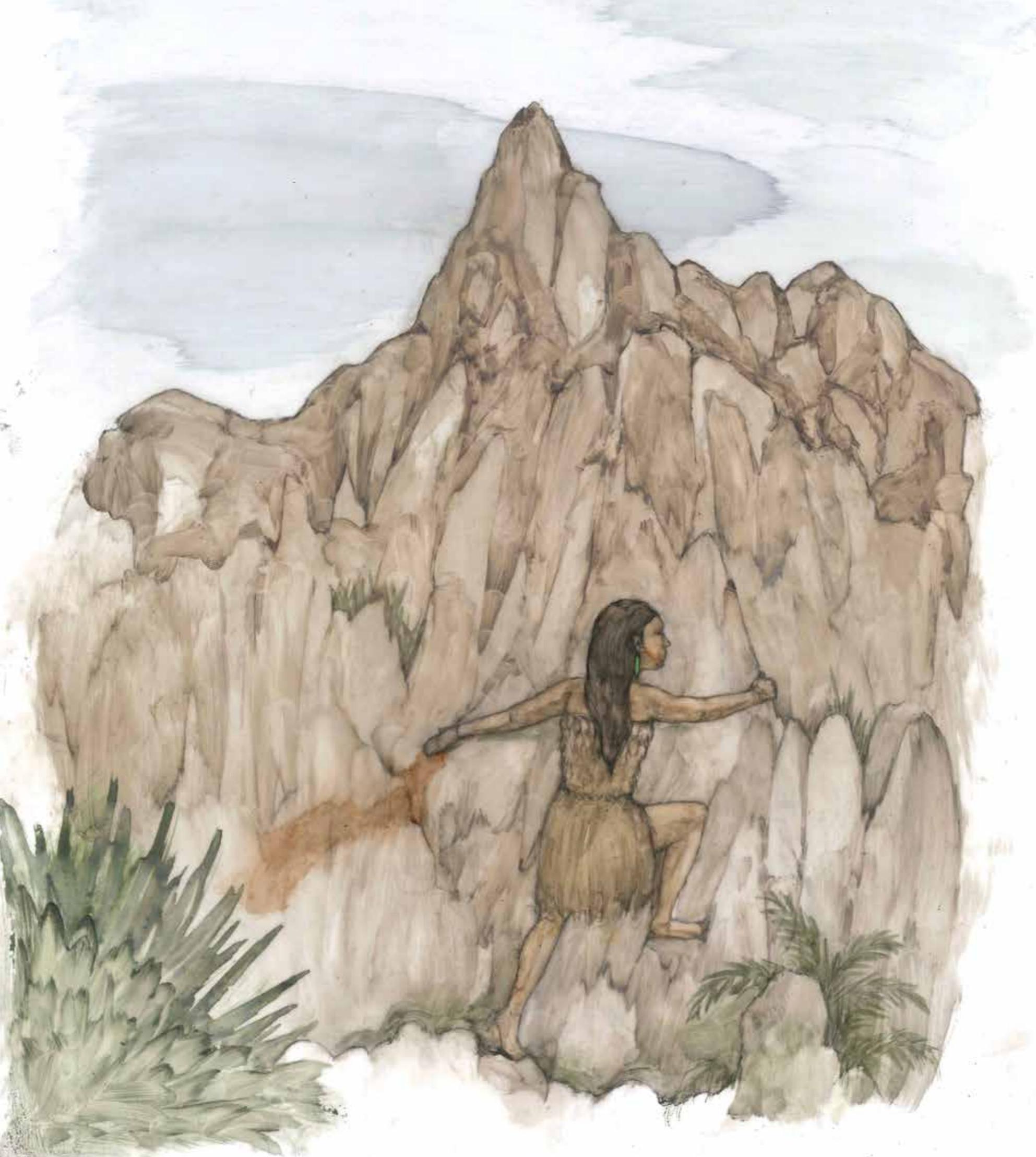
Kāore e kore, i pai hoki a Parawhete ki te pūioio me te pūrotu o Tupeteka. Auē, nāwai, nāwai, ka piri rāua ka moe huna. Nō te ata, ka matika a Tupeteka, ka hoki ai ki tōna kāinga. Kāore a Parawhete i mōhio kua pani atu tana tuhi māreikura ki ū Tupeteka pāpāringa, ā, i kitea hoki e Pūroku.





Nō te hokinga mai o Wairangi mā, ka kōrero a Pūroku i tāna i kite ai, arā, ko te kōkōwai tērā i ngā pāpāringa o mea; heoi anō, kāore a Wairangi i whakapono kua pūremu tana wahine matua. Kia mahi umu a Parawhete, nō tana kainga i te umu ka rongo tonu i te mata, kāore i pai te tunu.

He tohu kino tēnei e whakaatu ana i te moepuku tana wahine ki tētehi. Kāore te whakatakariri a Wairangi, ka rīria tana tau, ka patua. I konei i tino pōuri te ngākau o Parawhete, ka rere ia ki Hauraki. I tana whakawhitinga i Waikato ka waiho tētehi kākahu ūna i tētehi mānuka – ko Mānuka-tūtahi tērā.

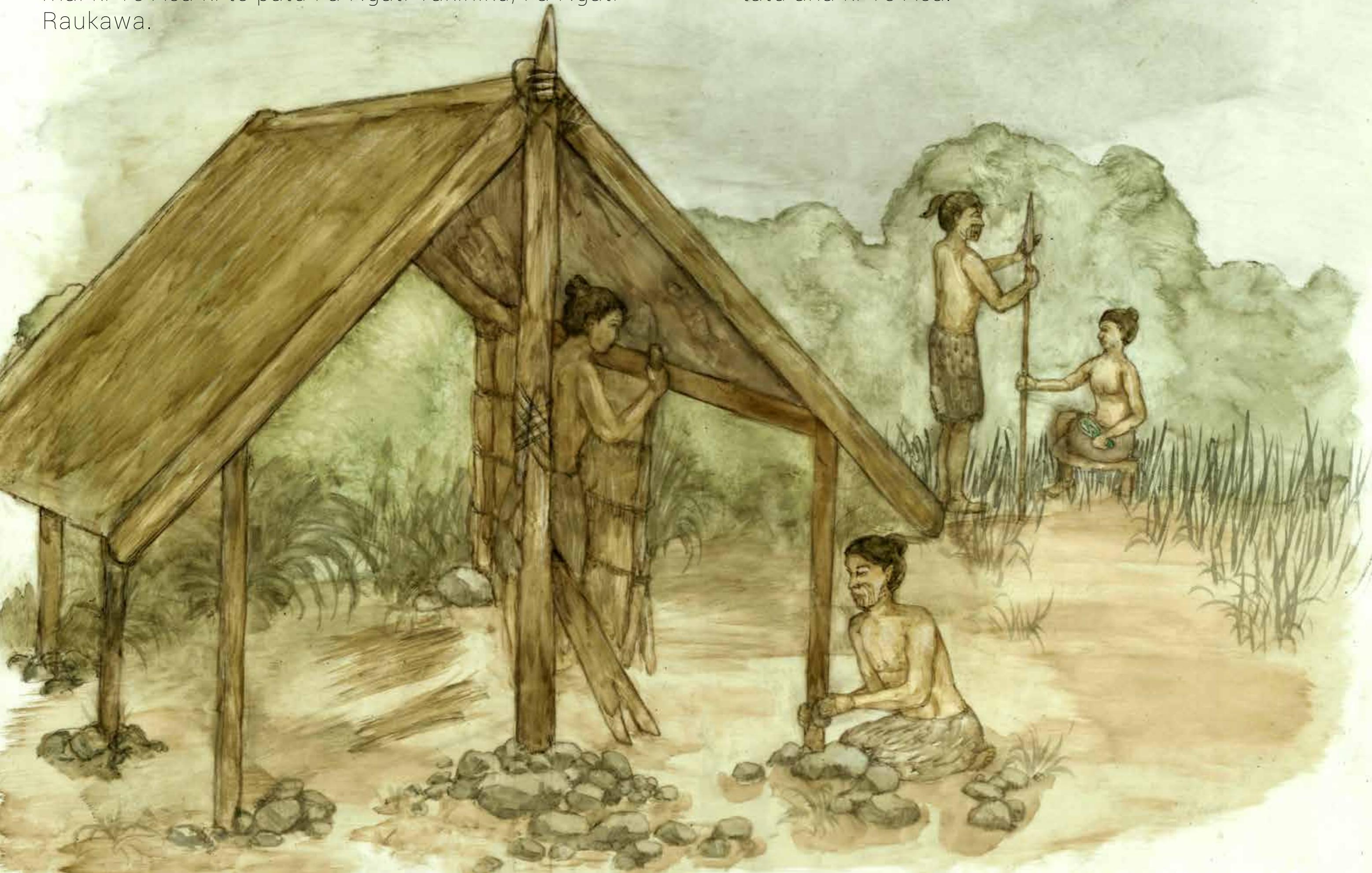


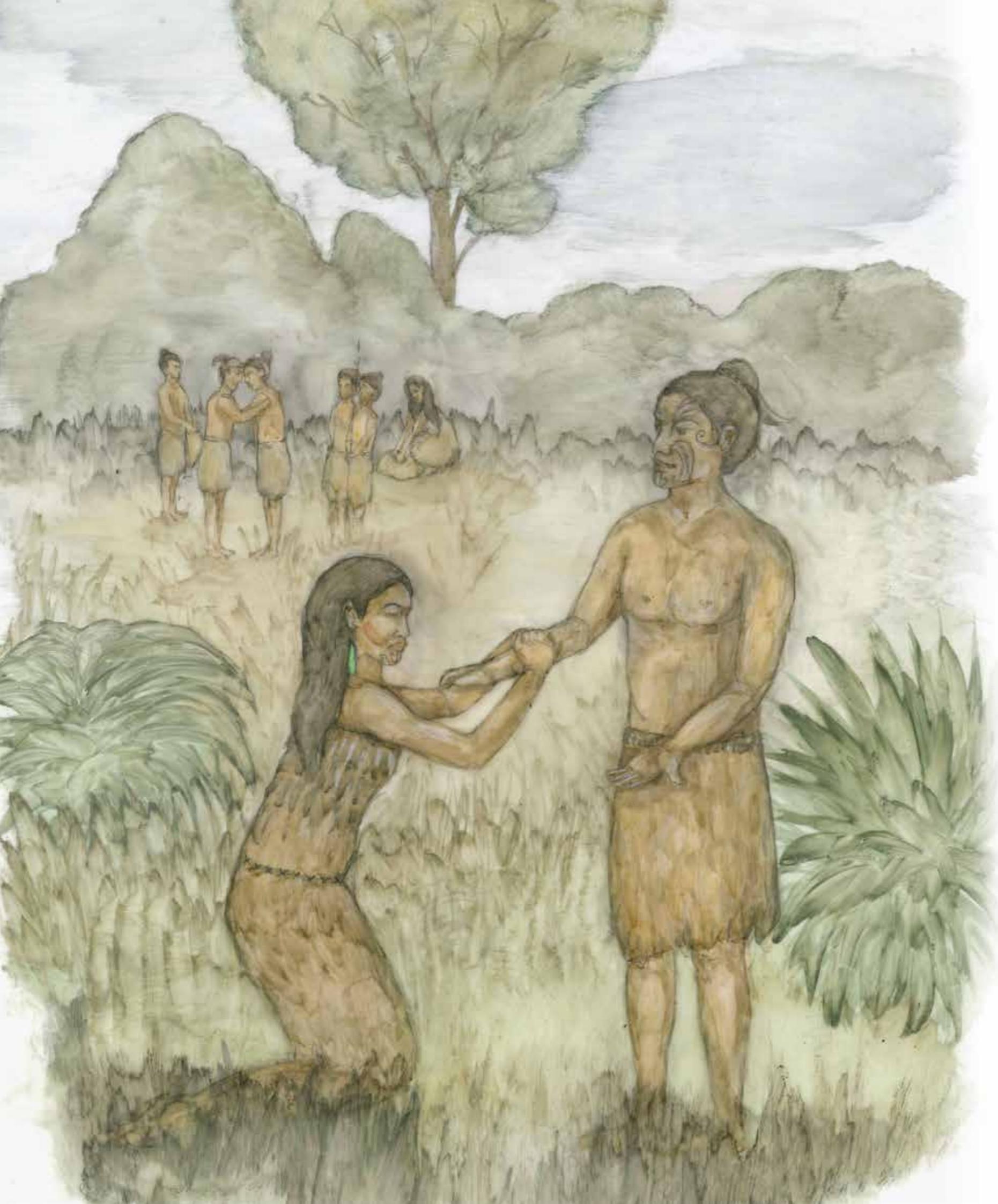
Ka tae atu hoki ki tētehi pari ka pania ki te kōkōwai – ko Parikārangaranga tērā. Mai i reira ka haere tonu ki Te Aea, konei te pā o Tupeteka me tana iwi.

Pō kau noa, ao noa ka mōhio a Wairangi kua rere tana tau ki a Tupeteka, ā, i te kitenga hoki i tana kākāhu me te kōkōwai. Nō konei ka whakamā a Wairangi i tana mahi tūkino, ā, ka tōmina ia ki te whai me te whakahoki mai i tana makau. Ka noho, ka noho, ka karangatia he hui, mutu kau ana ka whakatikaina he hokowhitu, hoake atu ki Te Aea.

He mōhio nō Tupeteka ka pēnei a Wairangi mā i  
tuku tiwha atu ia ki Pare Hauraki, ki Tīkapa kia haere  
mai ki Te Aea ki te patu i a Ngāti Takihiku, i a Ngāti  
Raukawa.

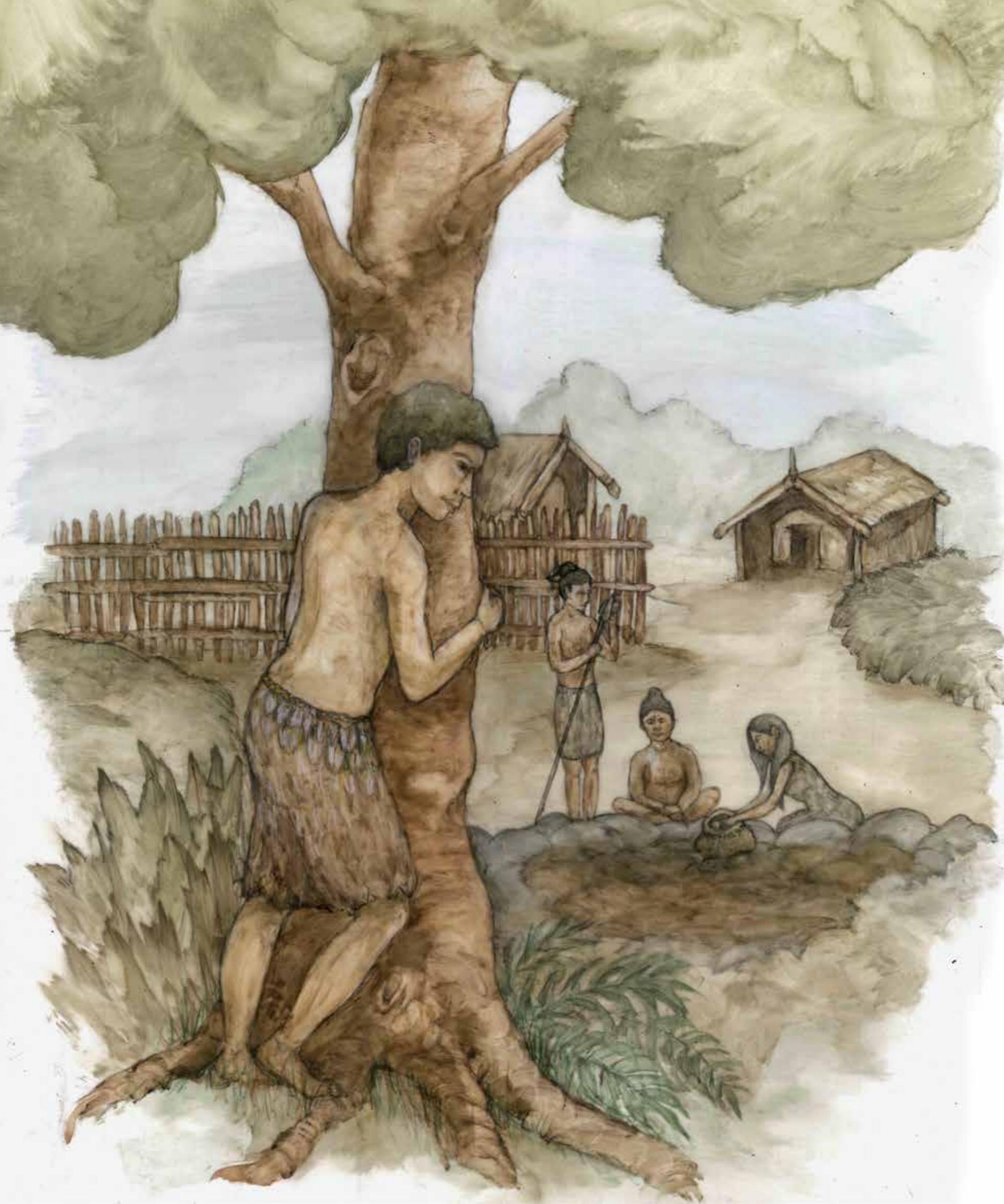
Nāna anō te tohutohu ki te hanga whare o waho o  
ngā tūwatawata hei nōhanga mō te iwi o Wairangi ka  
tatū ana ki Te Aea.





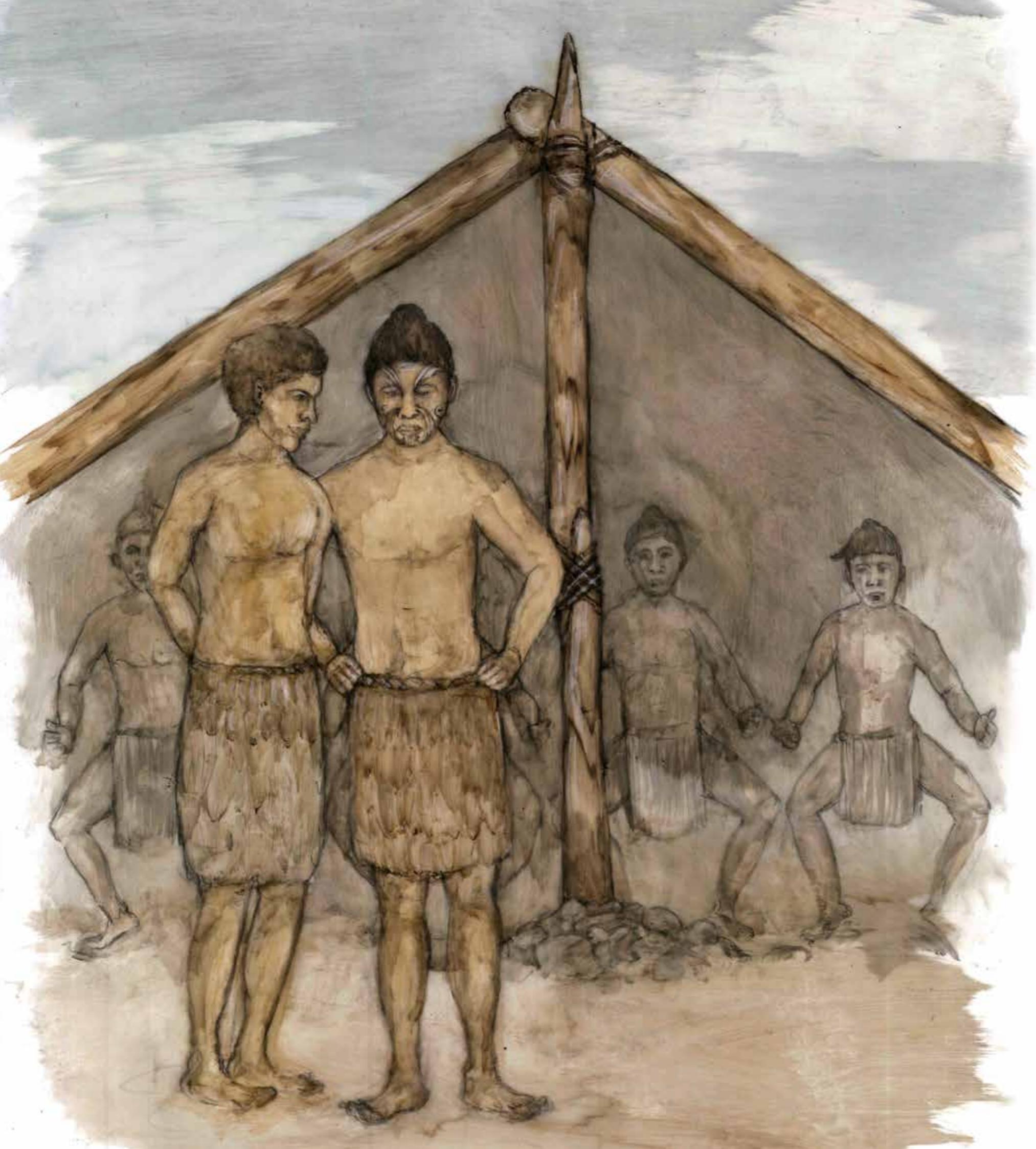
Kotahi pea te rā ka tae a Wairangi mā ki tō Tupeteka kāinga, he toki huna nōna i pōwhiri tonu i te iwi o Ngāti Takihiku. Kāore anō a Parawhete i hiahia kia kite i a Wairangi, nō reira i haere ki te teina ki a Upokoiti ka tangi kōrero ka mea, "He aha koutou i haere mai i te rourou iti ā-haere, tē noho atu ai i te tokanga-nui-ā-noho?" He kōrero whakatūpato, whakamataara tēnei nāna.

Ka mutu ana te pōwhiri ka haere a Wairangi mā ki te whare i hangaia mō rātou, rongo ana hoki i te ngawī a ngā kurī ka mahara ko ērā hei kai mā rātou.



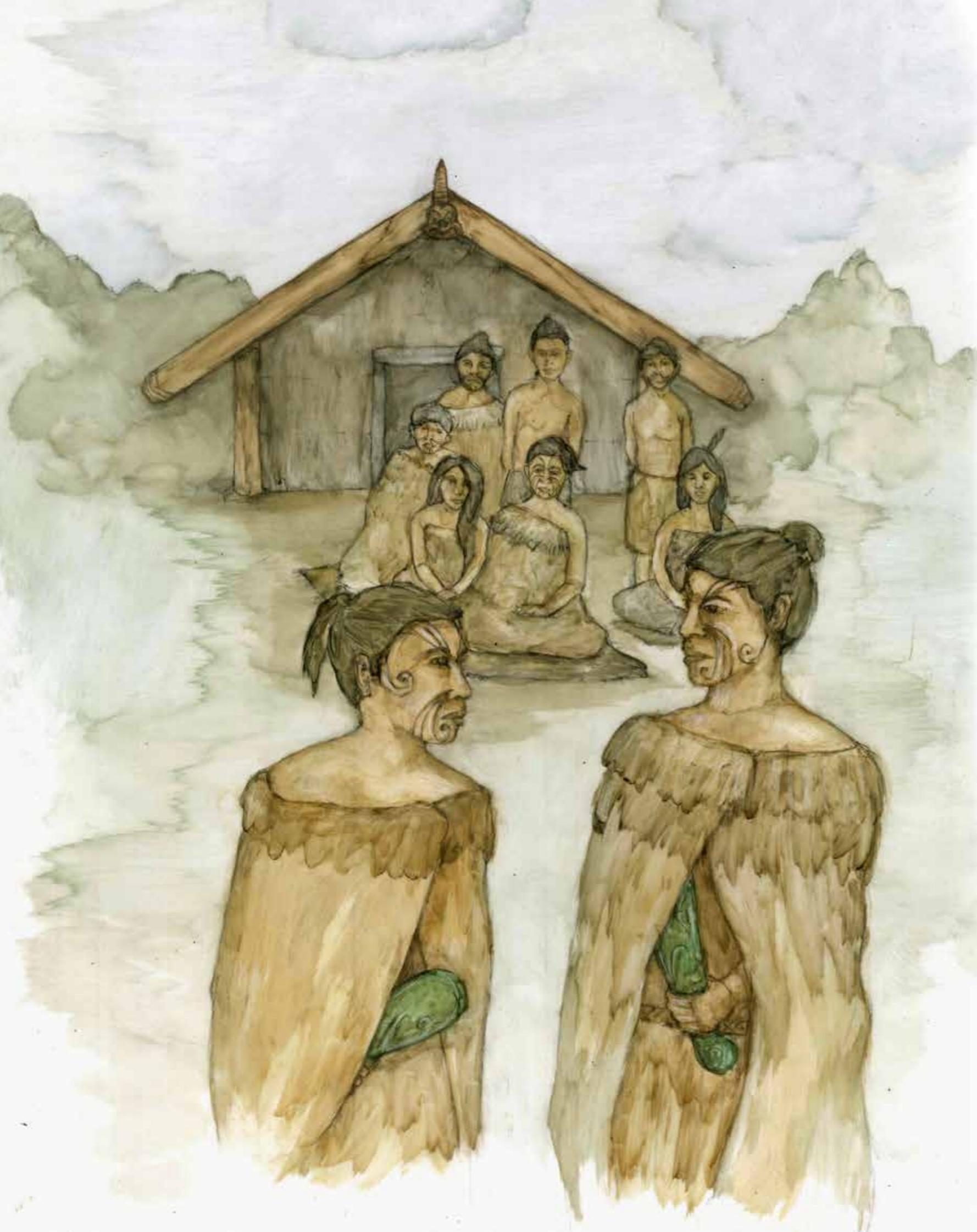
Ko te tomonga i te whare ka kitea te pūhungahunga o te whare ka mōhio he kōhuru kei te haere. Inamata ka tukua e Wairangi tana mōkai a Matamata ki te whakamōkihi haere i waenganui o Te Aea, ka kitea kua patua noatia aua waero rā kia ngawī, he whakataruna hoki.

Ka rongo hoki ia tērā ka patua a Ngāti Raukawa āpōpō i te taenga mai o ngā waka e hoea mai rā i Tikapa.



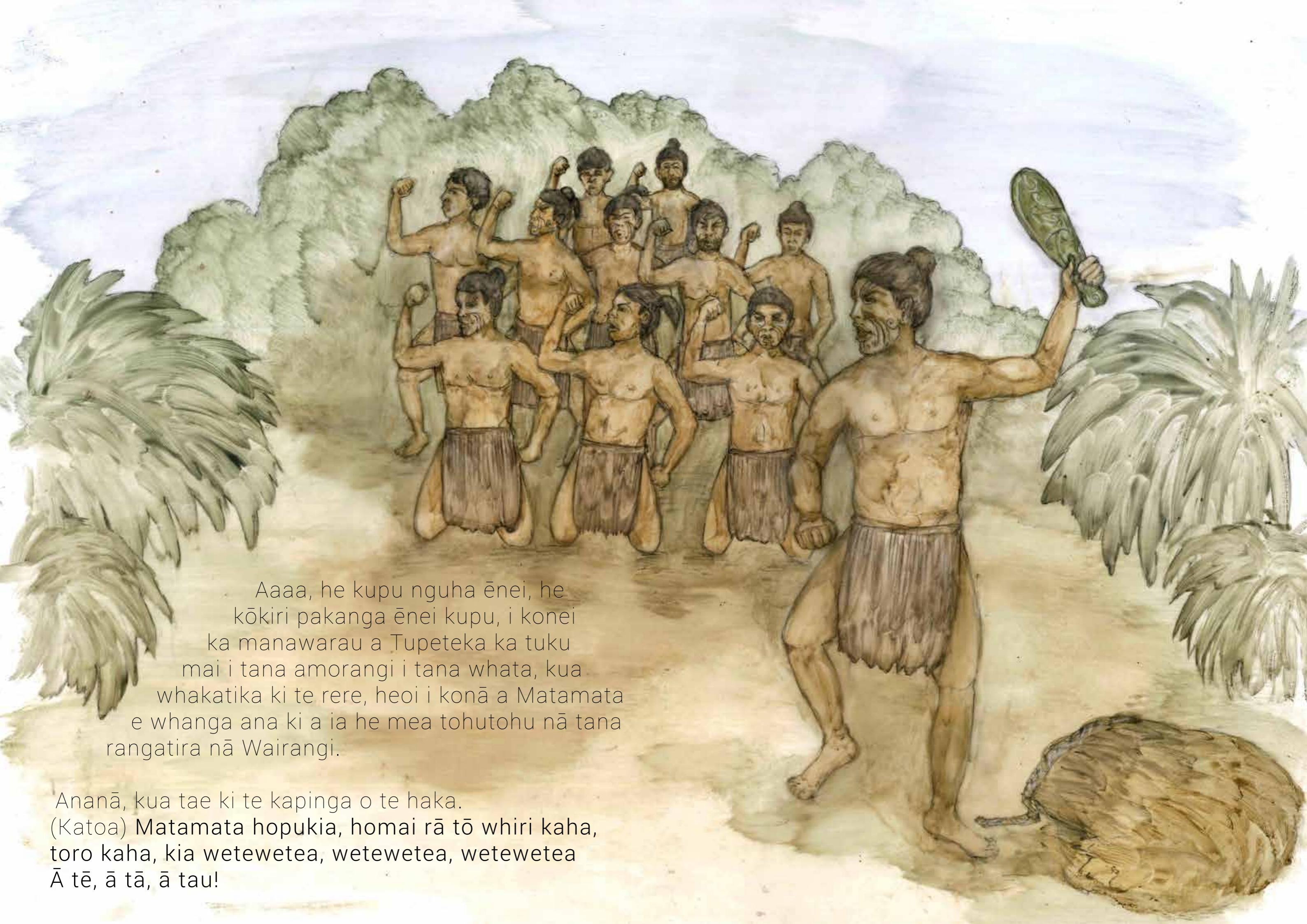
Ka hoki atu a Matamata ka pānuitia  
atu ana mōhiotanga. Ka huihui a  
Wairangi mā ka whakaarongia kia  
titoa he haka hei mahi patu i te iwi rā.

Ko te whakaaro, mā tēnā tāna whiti,  
mā tēnā tāna whiti e taki, engari  
taihoa, kia tae ki tā Wairangi whiti ki  
te kupu "huakina", kātahi ka ara ki te  
nguha, ki te patu i te iwi.



Ao ake te rā, ka karangatia te iwi o Te Aea  
kia haere mai ki te whakangahau, he haka te  
mahi. Waiho ana e Ngāti Takihiku ngā rākau  
roa a Tū ki muri, ki te whare. Ko ngā patu,  
me ngā kotiate me ērā tū rākau, ka mau i roto  
i ō rātou tātua; he mea huna nā rātou. I te  
nohonga a te iwi rā, kātahi ka huataki mai i te  
haka, he taparahi, kei raro hoki e tuturi ana, nā  
Tamatehura i wāhi...

Ko Te Aea o ia rangi,  
Ko Te Aea o ia rangi  
(Katoa) O ia rangi, o ia rangi!  
Kātahi ka takina e Upokoiti tāna.  
Ka whakakōpura Ruarangihape teina  
o Tupeteka  
(Katoa) E  
O Tupeteka!  
(Katoa) E  
O Tupeteka huakina!  
(Katoa) Huakina Huakina!  
Tā Pipito ko tēnei.  
Puhi kura, puhi kura, puhi kākā, ka  
whakatautapa ki Kāwhia huakina!  
(Katoa) Huakina! Huakina! (Ināianei kua tū te  
kapa ki runga)  
Kua takitaki a Wairangi i tāna e pēnei ana  
Tahi ka riri, toru ka whā!



Aaaa, he kupu nguha ēnei, he  
kōkiri pakanga ēnei kupu, i konei  
ka manawarau a Tupeteka ka tuku  
mai i tana amorangi i tana whata, kua  
whakatika ki te rere, heoi i konā a Matamata  
e whanga ana ki a ia he mea tohutohu nā tana  
rangatira nā Wairangi.

Ananā, kua tae ki te kapinga o te haka.  
(Katoa) Matamata hopukia, homai rā tō whiri kaha,  
toro kaha, kia wetewetea, wetewetea, wetewetea  
Ā tē, ā tā, ā tau!



I aua kupu 'ā tē, ā tā, ā tau' kua oho mai ngā patu, ana, ka ngau haere te rau i te marea o Te Aea, ko Wairangi kua tae kē ki a Tupeteka ka patua tēnā, ka mate. Kāore he toenga patu, hinga katoa i a rātou.

Kātahi ka huri ki te turaki i ngā whare ka maka ki te waihoe, tere ana i te ia ka kitea hoki e ngā waka o Pare Hauraki e hoe ana ki Te Aea, ka mōhio rātou kua hinga a Tupeteka me tana iwi, ka whati, ka hoki. Waihape ana a Wairangi mā ko Parawhete me te iwi ki te kāinga ki Rurunui.

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