

Kia Ora

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Canopies s w a l l o w skies and

Kisses upon the rocky shore

Board your ships waving

Events that brought you

Beat drums to the sound

Young child you're safe

Trunks that carried **heavy** souls

Warding off the spirit of

Kai pai (take it easy)

(Embrace) the ocean with

Line up your paddle

Against the current

Hear the thrumming of your heart

He ataahua koe (you're beautiful)

Houses are made of **trees**

In their shoes gravity dragging them down

Defeat

Rest on my branches

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