

# Guiding Questions

Helpful questions to encourage discussion and activities related to Kumukahi videos



Topic: **MO'OKŪ'AUHAU**  
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## Specific questions

1. What does mo'okū'auhau mean? What are some of the meanings of mo'o?
2. Why are the names of people and places so important in Hawai'i? In the story, why did the kupuna, or elder, recite ten or twenty names every day when waking up in the morning and before going to bed at night?
3. Traditionally, a person's worth was assessed based on his lineage. Is this still true today? How is your value determined?
4. In the past, genealogy was transmitted orally, from person to person. How is this different from the way people learn genealogy today?
5. If you could sit at a table with your grandma on one side and her grandma on the other side, what would you ask them? What advice might they give you?
6. Ask a parent or grandparent if your family has a special mark that symbolizes your mo'okū'auhau. Practice drawing the design until you have memorized the pattern.

## General questions

- What does this video teach us about Hawaiian knowledge and its relevance today?
- How does this video relate to other aspects of Hawaiian culture you've learned or experienced?
- How can we keep these cultural practices alive today and in future generations?