

Guiding Questions

Helpful questions to encourage discussion and activities related to Kumukahi videos



Topic: **PELE**
 Part of: Akua chapter, Ke Ao Akua realm
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 URL: http://www.kumukahi.org/units/ke_ao_akua/akua/pele

Specific questions

1. Who is Pele?
2. Why is Pele important to Hawai'i Island?
3. Have you ever seen or been close to an active volcano where Pele is? How did you feel? Why is it important to be observant and respectful in those places?
4. What is the difference between Pele in the form of lava and her other forms such as rock, land, sulfur, smoke, and vog?
5. After Pele overtakes an area, the land is left barren until Hi'iaka causes things to start growing again. Is this cycle of destruction and creation of new life helpful for the environment? Why or why not?
6. 'Anakē Kekuhi says that Pele travels the world. In your class, do a research project to see how many active volcanoes there are in different countries. Where are the major eruptions happening these days?

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?