



Effects of predators on NZ birds

Teacher Guidance Notes

7 or 8

Ecology

- Comparing the effects of predator control on native and introduced birds in New Zealand

Relating to Others

Participating and Contributing

1 hour

Exam-style questions based on a study of the differential effects of exotic predator-control on nest success of native and introduced birds in New Zealand.

	Brainstorm what the effects introduced predators have had on NZ birds.	
	Hand out worksheets. Students could work in pairs or small groups and outline the main points of each extract on the worksheet. Ask students to examine the graphs and to answer the questions. (The worksheet is supported by the PowerPoint) Go over the answers to the questions.	Worksheet Effects of predators PowerPoint <i>Effects of predators</i>
	Ask students to come up with conservation ideas for native NZ birds.	

Students can read the full research paper on which the worksheet was based
 Students can watch the video showing how predator traps are set on Rangatira island:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_jN3WY6wAg