



## **I SAW A TANIWHA**

I saw a taniwha  
When swimming in the Waikato  
He whispered sweetly in my taringa  
"Won 't you come along with me?  
There 's such a lot to see  
Underneath the deep blue sea."

And what did I say?

I said, "Oh no, no, no!  
I have to go, go, go  
But may we always be good friends  
My mother is waiting for me  
Underneath the kowhai tree  
So taniwha, haere ra!"

Tahi, rua, toru, wha, hi!

