

Tongan Art Forms:

Highlight the correct answers



Ta'ovala (mat weaving):

1. Which of the following is not a way that mat weaving is used for?

- a) bedding
- b) weddings
- c) shoe holder
- d) flooring

2. What do mats signify?

- a) love
- b) respect
- c) health
- d) social status

3. What is the tongan word for 'mat weaving'?

- a) kiekie
- b) ta'ovala
- c) ngatu
- d) kava

Ngatu Tonga (tapa cloth):

4. From what tree is the bark used to make tapa from?

- a) Paper Mulberry
- b) Wood Blueberry
- c) Bone Strawberry
- d) Card Raspberry

5. The women design the tapa using what?

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6. Where do the patterns on ngatu come from?

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Wood and bone carvings:

7. Why is wood carving important to Tongan culture?

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8. What are 3 different things that are carved out of bone?

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9. Were whale bones hard to find for carving? If so, why?

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10. Name 3 different things that are carved out of wood.

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