This is a slow version of “Hoki Hoki Tonu Mai” (5), previously featured as a poi song earlier in this compilation. Here it is a love song, a waiata aroha, to farewell a friend.

Discuss with the students how this waiata expresses a sense of loss and love through such phrases as “Ki te awhi rēinga” and “Ka pinea koe e au ki te pine o te aroha”. Have the students make connections to concepts of aroha and farewells to family and friends. Discuss when a waiata like this may be sung, for example, at a farewell.

*The song sheets for all waiata and haka are at the back of this book.*