

ALL: In the beginning, there was only one ocean...

CHIEF 1: ...until the goddess Te Fiti used her heart to create islands, teeming with life.

CHIEF 2: Voyagers began to sail.

CHIEF 3: The world was theirs to discover.

CHIEF 2: But a greedy few sought Te Fiti's heart, wanting to possess the power of creation for themselves.

CHIEF 1: The most daring of them all, Maui, a shapeshifter, a demigod of the wind and sea, set out for the Heart.

CHIEF 3: Using his magical fishhook, Maui transformed into a hawk, outsmarting his competition and stealing the Heart from Te Fiti.

CHIEF 1: Maui did not have the Heart for long before he was attacked by Te Kā!

CHIEF 2: Furious, Te Kā hunted for the lost Heart, destroying everything in its path - draining life from island after island.

CHIEF 1: Maui disappeared, never to be seen again.

CHIEF 3: Fearing Te Kā's wrath, the villagers stopped voyaging...

CHIEF 1: And chose the safety of their island home, Motunui.

CHIEF 2: Maui and Te Kā became the stuff of legends...

CHIEF 3: and the adventures of the voyagers were forgotten.

ALL: But the ocean did not forget.