

# Breaking News English.com

Ready-to-Use English Lessons by Sean Banville

**"1,000 IDEAS & ACTIVITIES  
FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS"**

[breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html](http://breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html)

**Thousands more free lessons  
from Sean's other websites**

[www.freeeslmaterials.com/sean\\_banville\\_lessons.html](http://www.freeeslmaterials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html)

**Level 4 – 5th December, 2018**

## **Court says 'Kiwi' is not a racist term**

**FREE online quizzes, mp3 listening and more for this lesson here:**

<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

### **Contents**

The Reading	2
Phrase Matching	3
Listening Gap Fill	4
No Spaces	5
Survey	6
Writing and Speaking	7
Writing	8

**Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.**

**Twitter**



[twitter.com/SeanBanville](https://twitter.com/SeanBanville)

**Facebook**



[www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176](https://www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176)

**Google +**



<https://plus.google.com/+SeanBanville>

# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

A court judged that calling a New Zealander a "Kiwi" is not discriminatory. A worker complained against a bakery where her co-workers nicknamed her "Kiwi". She said this was racial discrimination, insulting and disrespectful. The judge did not agree. The bakery said New Zealanders were proud of the term "Kiwi". He said New Zealand's government approves of it. He said it is "a term of endearment and...a means of identifying as a New Zealander".

The tribunal ruled that the term "Kiwi" was not offensive or insulting. It said the worker was not badly treated or segregated in the workplace. However, an equal opportunity commissioner said if someone takes offence at a nickname and says they don't like it and asks not to be called it, "then in a respectful workplace,...you wouldn't call them that anymore."

The bakery owner said he employs "every nationality known to man" and is not a racist.

Sources: <https://www.radionz.co.nz/news/world/377371/calling-someone-a-kiwi-isn-t-racial-discrimination-tribunal>  
<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2018-12-03/tribunal-finds-calling-worker-kiwi-not-racial-discrimination/10576356>  
<https://www.stuff.co.nz/world/australia/109061375/new-zealand-woman-loses-racial-discrimination-case-over-kiwi-nickname>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                             |                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A worker complained      | a. proud of the term  |
| 2. racial                   | b. endearment         |
| 3. insulting and            | c. discrimination     |
| 4. The judge did not        | d. as a New Zealander |
| 5. New Zealanders were      | e. disrespectful      |
| 6. New Zealand's government | f. agree              |
| 7. a term of                | g. against a bakery   |
| 8. a means of identifying   | h. approves of it     |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                 |                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. the term "Kiwi" was not      | a. like it                |
| 2. the worker was not badly     | b. opportunity            |
| 3. segregated in the            | c. known to man           |
| 4. equal                        | d. treated                |
| 5. if someone takes             | e. that anymore           |
| 6. says they don't              | f. workplace              |
| 7. you wouldn't call them       | g. offence                |
| 8. he employs every nationality | h. offensive or insulting |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

A court (1) \_\_\_\_\_ a New Zealander a "Kiwi" is not discriminatory. A worker complained (2) \_\_\_\_\_ where her co-workers nicknamed her "Kiwi". She (3) \_\_\_\_\_ racial discrimination, insulting and disrespectful. The judge did not agree. The bakery said New Zealanders were (4) \_\_\_\_\_ term "Kiwi". He said New Zealand's government (5) \_\_\_\_\_. He said it is "a term of endearment and... (6) \_\_\_\_\_ identifying as a New Zealander".

The tribunal ruled that the term "Kiwi" (7) \_\_\_\_\_ or insulting. It said the worker was (8) \_\_\_\_\_ or segregated in the workplace. However, (9) \_\_\_\_\_ commissioner said if someone (10) \_\_\_\_\_ a nickname and says they don't like it and asks not to be called it, "(11) \_\_\_\_\_ respectful workplace,...you wouldn't call them that anymore." The bakery owner said he employs "every nationality known to man" and is (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

A court judged that calling a New Zealander a "Kiwi" is not discriminatory.

A worker complained against a bakery where her co-workers nicknamed her "Kiwi". She said this was racial discrimination, insulting and disrespectful. The judge did not agree. The bakery said New Zealanders were proud of the term "Kiwi". He said New Zealand's government approves of it. He said it is "a term of endearment and... a means of identifying a New Zealander". The tribunal ruled that the term "Kiwi" was not offensive or insulting. It said the worker was not badly treated or segregated in the workplace. However, an equal opportunity commissioner said if someone takes offence at a nickname and says they don't like it and asks not to be called it, "then in a respectful workplace, ... you wouldn't call them that anymore." The bakery owners said he employs "every nationality known to man" and is not a racist.

# KIWIS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181205-kiwi-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Kiwis in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

*Court says 'Kiwi' is not a racist term – 5th December, 2018*  
More free lessons at [breakingnewsenglish.com](http://breakingnewsenglish.com)

---

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

