

Epo I Tai Tai E'

Traditional Maori Greeting Song

Epo I tai tai e',
O epo i tai tai e'!
Epo i tai tai,
Epo i tukki tukki,
Epo i tukki tukki e'.

Circle Dance Actions:

Epo I = pat legs twice.

Tai Tai = clap twice.

E' = cross arms, pat shoulders 4 times.

Tuki Tuki = snap twice.

*Translation: We shall not be sad, we will only be happy.
It is usually the first song sung at a party or large gathering.*