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Cook Islands

The Cook Islands are an independent nation consisting of a total of 15 islands throughout the south-west Pacific. Nine of the islands are in the southern group, Palmerston, Rarotonga, Aitutaki, Mangaia, Atiu, Mauke, Mitiaro, Manuae and Taku-tea. The other six islands are in the northern group, Penrhyn, Manihiki, Pukapuka, Rakahanga, Suvarrow and Nassau.

The Cook Islands are rich in history and culture. They were discovered by James Cook and were declared a British Protectorate in 1888 but came officially under New Zealand control in 1891. In 1965 the Cook Islands were given independence but retained citizenship rights in New Zealand. They are still dependent on New Zealand.

Place the following islands in alphabetical order:

Palmerston, Rarotonga, Aitutaki, Mangaia, Atiu, Mauke, Mitiaro, Manuae, Taku-tea, Penrhyn, Manihiki, Pukapuka, Rakahanga, Suvarrow, Nassau

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Find a newspaper article relating to the Cook Islands. Read it and discuss the relevant issue as a group.

Some web sites to visit:

- <http://www.cook-islands.com>
- <http://www.ck>
- <http://www.cook-islands.gov.ck>