Sovereignty - Means that the Queen of England would have to decide the laws of New Zealend. The laws were for the Maori and Pakeha to follow.

Possession - means that the maori could still own their land and resources and also grow food, fish and hunt. But if they ever wanted to sell the land they would have to offer it to the crown first.

Kawanatanga - Is a word that has many diffrent meanings in the english version it meant sovereignty and the maori knew that kawanatanga meant the Queen would be allowed to appoint a governor to live in New Zealand.

Tino Rangatiratanga - was well understood by the maori and it was known as the role of the power of a chief. that Māori would continue to own their land and resources unless they sold them to the Crown.