

BAME English Text summaries

Year Two:

If all the world were

Overview and Outcomes:



This is a two-week planning sequence using the text, *If All the World Were* by Joseph Coelho and Alison Colpoys. The children begin by responding to, What is...? questions, in the form of statements to create a kaleidoscope of memories. Then they share the text before inferring a character's feelings and then writing in role. A letter from the main character is sent to the class, to which the children respond giving advice. Children then draw upon ideas in the text to think about special objects, creating noun phrases for each. They then apply this idea into a non-narrative poem with a focus on drawing upon the author's language. Finally, after watching the author read one of his pieces, they prepare their poem to read out loud and do so to an audience. Due to this book tackling the often taboo subject of death (of a grandparent) teachers will need to think carefully how to package things best for their own class. However, written outcomes are about using memories (not necessarily of lost loved ones), love and the beauty around us to develop resilience and the ability to express and deal with difficult feelings in a positive way.

Synopsis of Text

A moving, lyrical picture book about a young girl's love for her granddad and how she copes when he dies, written by poet and playwright Joseph Coelho. This beautifully illustrated, powerful and ultimately uplifting text is the ideal way to introduce children to the concept of death and dying, particularly children who have lost a grandparent.

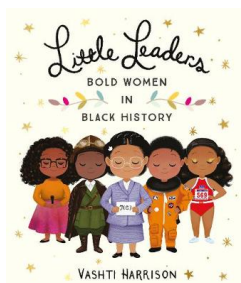
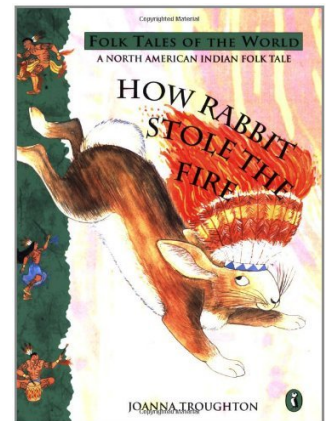
Links:

Grandparents, loss, grief, love

How Rabbit Stole the Fire

A North American Indian Folk Tale

As the leaves fall from the trees and the wind blows colder, the animals wish they had fire to keep them warm. But only the Sky People living high in the mountains have fire, and they guard it jealously. Rabbit has a plan, however: he makes a special resin-covered headdress, tricks the Sky People and steals some fire.



Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History?

Meet the little leaders. They're brave. They're bold. They changed the world. Featuring 40 trailblazing black women in the world's history, this book educates and inspires as it relates true stories of women who broke boundaries and exceeded all expectations. Debut author/illustrator Vashti Harrison pairs captivating text with stunning illustrations as she tells the stories of both iconic and lesser-known female figures of black history - from nurse Mary Seacole, to politician Diane Abbott, mathematician Katherine Johnson and singer Shirley Bassey.