

# Year 2 Term 1 Book Warmer

## Traditional Tales



Traditional tales usually have a good character (the hero or heroine) and a bad character (the villain)...



Traditional Tales usually have:

- talking animals
- Character names telling you about their personality: *big, bad, little,*
- Forest, tower, woods
- A repeated phrase
- A lesson to learn
- A happy end where the ad character

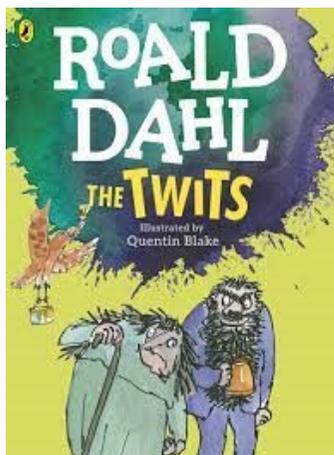
Traditional tales (or fairy tales) are well-known stories that have been told for many years. Examples include, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel or Hansel and Gretel.

The film, Shrek, features many traditional/fairy characters.

How many can you spot?

Scan me to listen to stories:





# Year 3 Term 1 Book Warmer

## 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl



'The Twits' was written by Roald Dahl, who also write The Fantastic Mr. Fox.

It tells the tale of a pair of horrible twits and the tricks they like to play on each other.



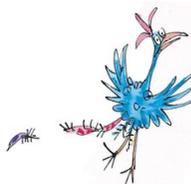
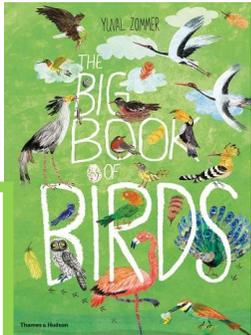
**Vocab Check**  
A 'twit' is a silly or foolish person.



The monkey character in The Twits is from the African jungle. Learn more about Africa here!

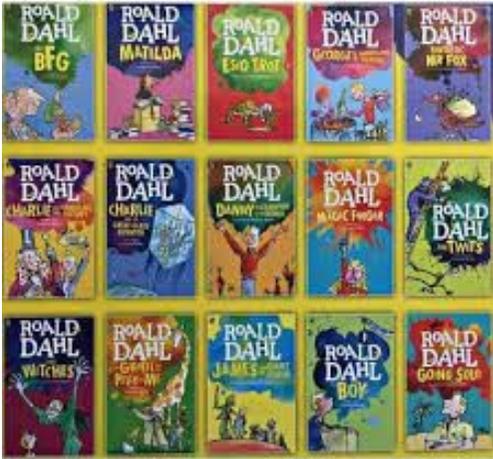


**Learn more!**  
The Big Book of Bird by Yuval Zommer is an excellent non-fiction book to learn more about birds.



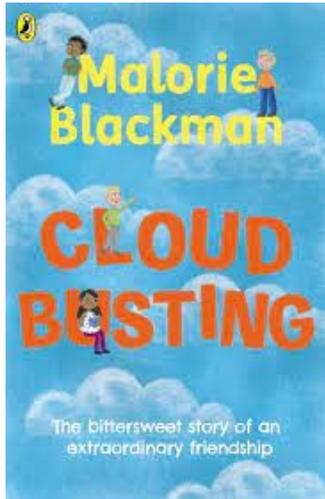
  
**Magic Tricks**  
Click on this link to learn a few magic tricks!

**More books by Roald Dahl**



**Monkeys**  
Learn more about the different types of monkey there are by scanning the code.





## Year 4 Term 1 Book Warmer 'Cloud Busting' by Malorie Blackman



Cloud Busting is a funny, yet sad story told completely in verse. It focuses on the themes of friendship and individuality.

There are many types of poetry. In the book *Cloud Busting*, you get to read and learn about a few of them. One such poem you will explore is a Haiku. Scan the QR code to learn more about Haikus and even how to write one!



Scan me to learn what a good friend

Malorie Blackman is a very successful author and poet. Please explore her website. The QR code takes you to a video of Malorie Blackman introducing the book, *Cloud Busting* and a playlist to accompany the book.



*"You don't miss the well till the water runs dry"*

What do you think this means?

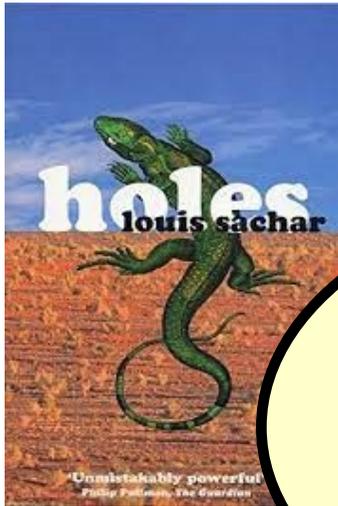
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What do you think makes a good friend? When would a 'friendship' not be a healthy one?

# Year 5 Term 1 Book Warmer

## 'Holes' by Louis Sachar



Holes tells the story of Stanley Yelnats who has a history of bad luck, so when a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre (which isn't green and doesn't have a lake) he is not surprised. There, Stanley meets other boys and together, they embark on a journey of mystery and friendship.



The tents at Camp Green Lake where the boys sleep.



Camp Green Lake in Texas, USA, where the children are sent to dig holes all day!



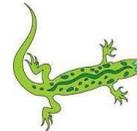
### Vocab Check:

Curse—a curse is a type of wish or words spoken which threatens the other person to have bad luck. Some believe in them and some don't. In fairy tales, a prince may be cursed to become a beast or a frog (i.e. frog prince) by a witch.

This is Cookham Wood is a male young person's prison and Young Offenders Institution in the village of Borstal in Kent, England. This is the closest thing we have here in England that is similar to the detention centre Camp Green Lake in the book Holes.



Scan me to learn more about yellow-spotted lizards which are in the story 'Holes'.



Scan me to watch the trailer of the film adaptation of Holes.

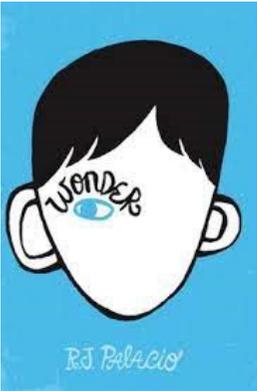
*"A lot of people don't believe in curses. A lot of people don't believe in yellow-spotted lizards either, but if one bites you, it doesn't make a difference whether you believe in it or not."*



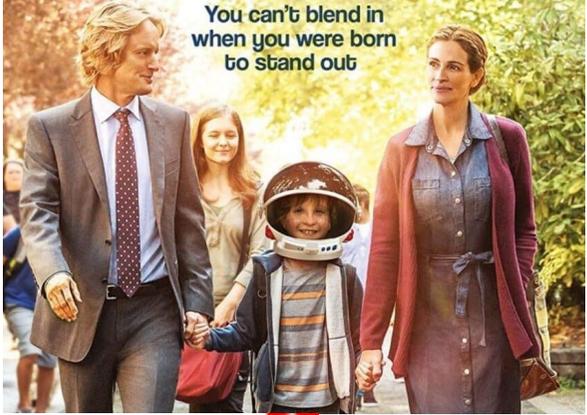
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# Year 6 Term 1 Book Warmer 'Wonder' by R.L Palacio



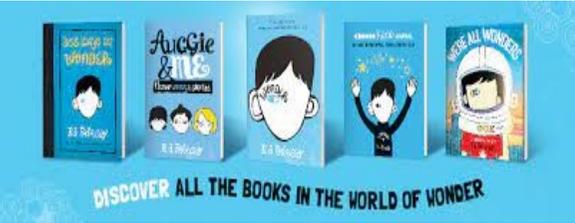
Wonder tells the story of August (Auggie) who has a rare disease called Treacher Collins syndrome. To learn more about this disease, scan the code.



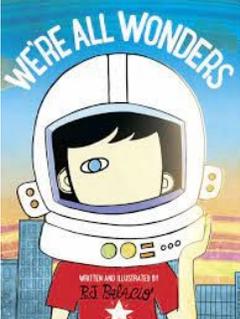
Wonder explores the theme of COMPASSION. One of our school values.



What makes us the same? Rather than focus on our differences, try focussing on what we have in common. What unites us?



Scan me to watch the trailer for the film of



'We're all Wonders' by RL Palacio, is the picture book version of the main novel. This book is for younger readers. In September, our Reception children shall be studying his book while you study 'Wonder'. Scan to listen.

