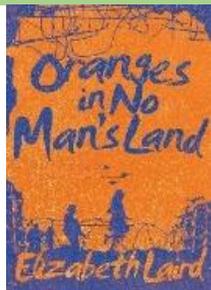


Year 5 Learning Overview: Spring 2

Reading



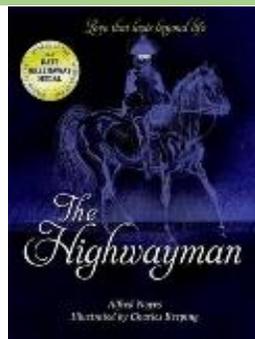
Oranges in No Man's Land is a children's novel by Elizabeth Laird set in civil war-torn Beirut, Lebanon. The story follows 10-year-old Ayesha, who risks her life crossing a dangerous, deserted no man's land to find a doctor for her sick grandmother. It is a moving, semi-autobiographical tale based on the author's own experiences.

• **Plot:** Following the death of her mother in a bombing and her father's absence, Ayesha and her younger brothers live with their grandmother in a war-damaged city.

• **Conflict:** When the grandmother falls critically ill, Ayesha must navigate the "Green Line" (no man's land) that separates warring factions to find help.

• **Themes:** The book explores the impact of war on children, courage, and resilience.

Writing



Children will hear classic narrative poems such as The Highwayman and The Lady of Shallot. They will learn about the art of oral story telling through narrative poems, identifying and using writing techniques in order to create their own.

Maths

Decimals & percentages
Perimeter & area



Statistics

Science

Reversible and Irreversible Changes



Children will be taught to categorise materials on the basis of their properties. They will learn that some materials dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and discover how to recover a substance from a solution. Using their knowledge of solids, liquids and gases they will decide how mixtures might be separated, and will learn about reversible and irreversible changes.

Art

Antoni Gaudi (Biomimicry and Mosaic)

Computing



Year 5 will learn about using search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content. They will combine a variety of software on a range of digital devices to design and create a range of programs, systems, and content that accomplish given goals.

Geography

Children will learn about the characteristics of a hot desert biome, and describe ways the Mojave Desert is used. They will consider some of the threats to deserts and give the benefits and drawbacks of living in a desert environment. Is a desert environment hospitable and why?

Religious Education

Children will learn Islam and consider what helps Muslims live a good life.

P.S.H.E.

Rights and Respect
We will think about and discuss: rights, respect and duties relating to health. As well as considering decisions about lending, borrowing and spending money.

Spanish

The Weather

Music

'Rock 'n' Roll'

P.E. and Games

Dance, Fitness and Tennis
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