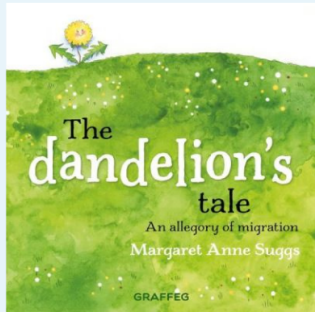


The Dandelion's Tale

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BOOK TALK CARDS



ABOUT THE BOOK

In this allegory of migration, the dandelions - who are just weeds after all - are forced to move on when they are confronted with tools, machines and potions. So they float, taking their hopes with them, and go on a journey to find a peaceful place to reseed and settle..



OUR THOUGHTS

"A nice idea and the illustrations work well. Best used as a discussion tool in educational settings."

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THEMES:

- Plants • Immigration • Nature
- Flowers • Journeys

TIME TO TALK

- 1 What emotions do the dandelions feel when they are forced to leave their home? How do these emotions compare to those of people who migrate?
- 2 Why do you think the author chose dandelions to represent migrants? What characteristics of dandelions make them a good symbol for this story?
- 3 How do the dandelion's experiences reflect real life experiences of migrants and refugees?
- 4 What different places did the dandelions float over until they found somewhere peaceful to stay?
- 5 Can you think of a time when you had to move and adapt to a new place or environment? How did it make you feel and how did you cope?
- 6 How do you feel about humans destroying the habitat of another living thing to please themselves? How would you feel if this was done to you and your family?
- 7 In what ways has the story helped you to understand the difficulties that migrants and refugees face on a daily basis?
- 8 How do the dandelions support each other during their journey? How do you feel about dandelions now? Would you let your parents pull them out of your garden?

TAKE THE TEXT FURTHER WITH OUR TOP 5 TITLES TO CONTINUE THE THEME:

