Witchspark

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ABOUT THE BOOK

Across the land, Princess Victoria faces her own danger, as her secret magical powers start to spiral out of control and cause chaos in the Royal Palace.



OUR THOUGHTS

"Endearing characters, very inclusive with a strong female character having a limb disability which sensitively is portrayed. A satisfying read set for a sequel with important messages around friendship, self belief and fighting for what is right."

YEAR 6

THEMES:

Fantasy • Adventure

Magic

Physical disabilities
 Friendship

TIME TO TALK -

- 1 The story has a magical setting of 1880's Britain, how does this enhance the story?If you could choose a time in History to set a story in, which would you choose? Why?
- 2 What roles do the house
 Huswyvern and the dragon-talking
 butler play in the story? How does
 Eglantine know how the house is
 feeling? If you could create a
 magical character, describe what
 the character would be and how
 would it behave?
- **3** What are the key differences between Eglantine and Princess Victoria, how do these differences impact their journeys?
- 4 Eglantine is determined to find her witchspark, what gift or talent would you like to have, or do you already have one you would like to develop? What could you do to grow your talent?
- 5 How would you describe Eglantine's personality?

- What qualities do you admire? What are your personal qualities?
- 6 The book addresses self-belief and overcoming challenges, what are the challenges that Eglantine faces? How does she overcome them?
- **7** Princess Victoria's friendship with Eoin the stable boy is an important part of the story, what does friendship mean to you?
- 8 The theme of power, especially magical power and its responsible use is central to the story? Why do you think this is, what implications could the power of magic have? How does the author portray this with the actions of the characters Eglantine and Princess Victoria?
- 9 What do you think about the Whistlewitch as a villain? Do you like this character? How does the Whistlewitch's relationship with Eglantines uncle, Lichen, influence events in the story?

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









