

**TITLE: Moon bear**

**AUTHOR: Gill Lewis**

**INTEREST AGE: 9-13 Years**

**BOOKBAND: Dark Red**

**OUR REVIEW:** Totally absorbing, emotive and very moving. Ending is well resolved & hopeful after the struggle, injustice & tension. Highly

recommended.

### CURRICULUM LINKS:

#### ENGLISH

- Write a character description of Tam and Sook-Dii
- Identify the language that shows love and affection between the characters.
- Write fact files about bears.
- Have debates about the ethics of bear farming.

#### PSHE

- Discuss the themes of friendship that are shown during the story.
- Think about hope and freedom. Are there examples of this in the story?
- Discuss animal exploitation. How many examples can you think of?
- Think about family relationships.

#### SCIENCE

- Compare and contrast wild bears and caged bears
- Research moon bears and write a report
- Investigate bears' habitats
- Research the adaptation of animals
- Work on food chains and ecosystems
- Investigate how climate change affects animals – does it only make a difference to polar bears?
- Look at the skeleton and body of bears. Do their bones/organs work the same as humans'?

## ART

- Use different media and art forms to make representations of bears (collage, pastels, silhouettes etc)
- Explore colour mixing to make different shades of green.
- Create different representations of Moon Bear's environment.
- Focus on Rousseau's 'Storm in the Jungle' painting.

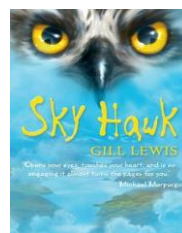
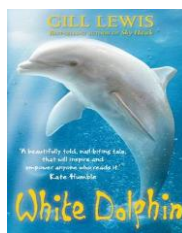
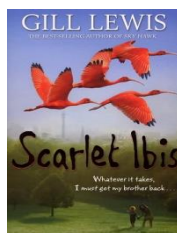
## GEOGRAPHY

- Investigate the effects of tourism in developing countries.
- Country study of Laos
- Continent study of Asia
- Work about rainforests and deforestation.

### CAN YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS?

- What class of animals do Moon bears fall in to?
- Are Moon bears carnivores, herbivores or omnivores?
- In which countries can you find Moon bears?
- What is special about the patterns on a Moon bear's fur?
- How big are Moon bears? (approximately)
- What is a Moon bear's habitat like?

### Other books by Gill Lewis include...



**Peters**