

THE BOOK WHO WANTED TO BE LOVED

Activity Pack

Introduction

Welcome to the activity guide for *The Book Who Wanted To Be Loved*! This heart-warming and thrilling tale explores the themes of belonging, friendship and the magic of books and bookshops.

The story's protagonist is a loveable book who lives in a bookshop and is content with his life. However, as he watches his friends being picked up by eager children and carried away, he realises that what he truly wants is to be loved.

The book takes matters into his own hands and sets out on an epic journey to find the love he craves. Along the way, he meets many new friends but none are quite right. The story cleverly shows that sometimes what we're looking for has been with us all along.



Questions

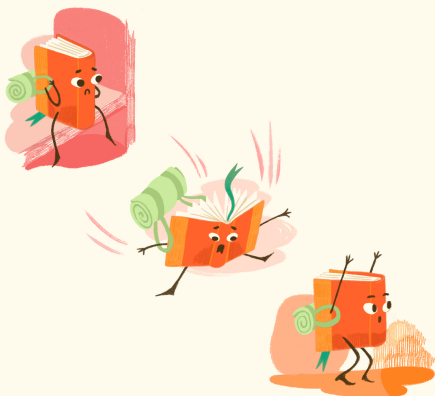
1. What do you think it means to belong? Can you think of a time when you felt like you belonged somewhere or with someone?

2. The main character of the book realises that he wants to be loved. Why do you think it's important to feel loved? How can we show love and kindness to others?

3. Friendship is an important theme in the book. What does friendship mean to you? Can you think of a friendship that has been important to you?

4. The book teaches us that sometimes what we're looking for has been with us all along. Can you think of a time when you realised that something you were looking for was right in front of you?

Art Project



Get your creative juices flowing with our art project!

Design your own book cover for *The Book Who Wanted to Be Loved*. You can use paint, pencils, markers or anything else you have on hand to create a unique cover for the story.

Will you draw the book's main character, or maybe a scene from the book? What colours will you use on your cover?

Bookmarks

Need something to hold your place as you read the book? Why not create your own bookmark!

Choose your favourite quote from the book and decorate a piece of paper or cardstock to create a one-of-a-kind bookmark. Decorate your bookmark and make it extra special with stickers and drawings. Every time you use your bookmark, you'll be reminded of the amazing story you read.



Book Review

Now that you've finished reading *The Book Who Wanted to Be Loved*, it's time to write a book review. Share your thoughts on what you liked about the book and what you learned from it.

Did you connect with any of the characters? Did the story make you feel any particular emotions? Let your creativity and imagination run wild!

Bookshop Scavenger Hunt



Let's head out to your local bookshop or library for a fun scavenger hunt!

As you explore the shelves, think about what makes bookshops so special.

Is it the smell of the books? The cosy atmosphere? The endless possibilities for adventure? Use the list on the next page to find some of the most exciting and interesting books in the shop!

Bookshop Scavenger Hunt

Find a book with a yellow spine

Embark on a quest for a book that's as vibrant as a summer day

Find a book with a mystery to solve

Put your detective skills to the test with this thrilling read, full of puzzles and surprises.

Find a book with a dragon on the cover

Be on the lookout for a cover that's fiery and fierce, with a dragon ready to whisk you away on a fantastical journey filled with mythical creatures, epic battles and heart-pounding adventures.

Find a book about a tiger

Roar with excitement with a book that takes you deep into the wild jungles where tigers roam

Find a book set on a boat

Ahoy, matey! Prepare for a swashbuckling tale set upon the vast, shimmering seas where you'll join a crew of daring sailors, encounter mischievous pirates and embark on rollicking high seas adventure

Find a book about a famous scientist

Strap on your lab goggles and prepare for an electrifying exploration of the lives of some of history's greatest scientific geniuses



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