

BIG QUESTIONS

Telling the truth, remaining honest and showing kindness and respect are essential lessons taught in children’s literature.

How does this link to the Other Side of Truth?

“Don’t blame yourself”, said Mama Appiah quietly. Sometimes people do not tell the truth because they are so desperate. I am sure that is what happened with you two, and I am very sure with your father”.

To what extent do you agree with Mama Appiah’s statement?

Does England function in the story as the heaven to which people flee from hell in their countries?

Reference both Sade and Miriam.

TERMINOLOGY

Word	Definition
Extended metaphor	<i>A metaphor that unfolds across multiple lines or even paragraphs of a text.</i>
Juxtaposition	<i>The fact of two things being seen or being placed close together with contrasting effect.</i>
Antithesis	<i>A person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else.</i>
Anecdote	<i>A short amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person.</i>
Dramatic Irony	<i>When the reader knows more about what is happening than the characters.</i>

KEY THEMES

- Oppression
- Freedom of speech
- Asylum-seeking
- Importance of family

GUESS WHO

Read through the descriptions and work out which character each one describes. Explain how each of them is important to the text.

A short woman with mango-shaped cheeks who wore a headscarf and dress. Her deep purple lipstick reminds Sade of a lipstick.

A tall thin man with silver-grey hair and with eyes larger than Sade had imagined. He helps Sade and Femi spread the news about Papa.

A man with a grey-flecked beard who wore a sober black suit on days he went to court. He helps Sade, Femi and Papa escape to London.

A lady who seems quite tall because her thick grey hair is drawn back from her light-brown forehead and piled up high with a twist. Her neat-fitting blue dress with small yellow flowers gives her a bright air.

RESEARCH

Follow the link and read through the article. Summarise the information and create a fact file on the crisis in Afghanistan.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/58339095>

SPELLING/VOCABULARY

Word	Definition
Oppression	<i>A prolonged cruel or unjust treatment.</i>
Vulnerable	<i>Exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, either physically or emotionally.</i>
Animosity	<i>A strong feelings of dislike or hatred.</i>
Displacement	<i>The action of moving something from its place or position.</i>
Empowerment	<i>The process of becoming stronger and more confident, especially in controlling one's life and claiming one's rights.</i>
Asylum	<i>The protection granted by a state to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee.</i>