#### Lesson 1: Text Talk

L.O: I can make predictions based on the text

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We are learning to use skills.



What strategies do you need to use?



The strategies I will need to use are....



When have you used this strategy before?



I have used this strategy...

# Steps to success

To read and understand the text.

To make sure my sentences are shorter than the text.

Use my own words.

Include the main ideas from the text.

#### When summarising I must remember:

# Summarise It Shorter than the text Use your own words Main ideas only

Tell your partner: What do you think the text is about?

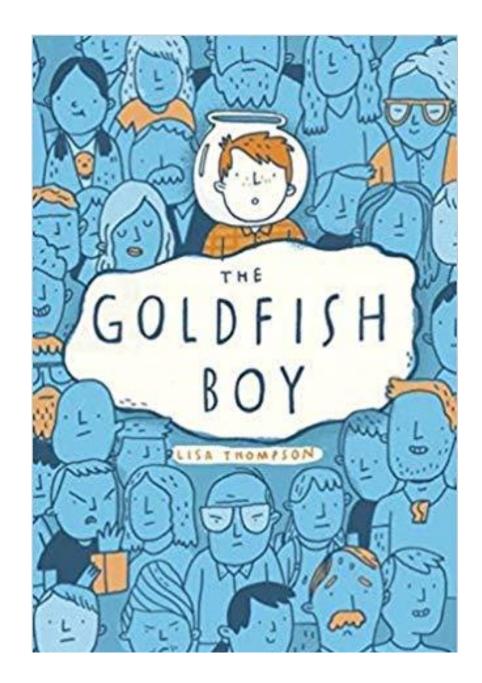


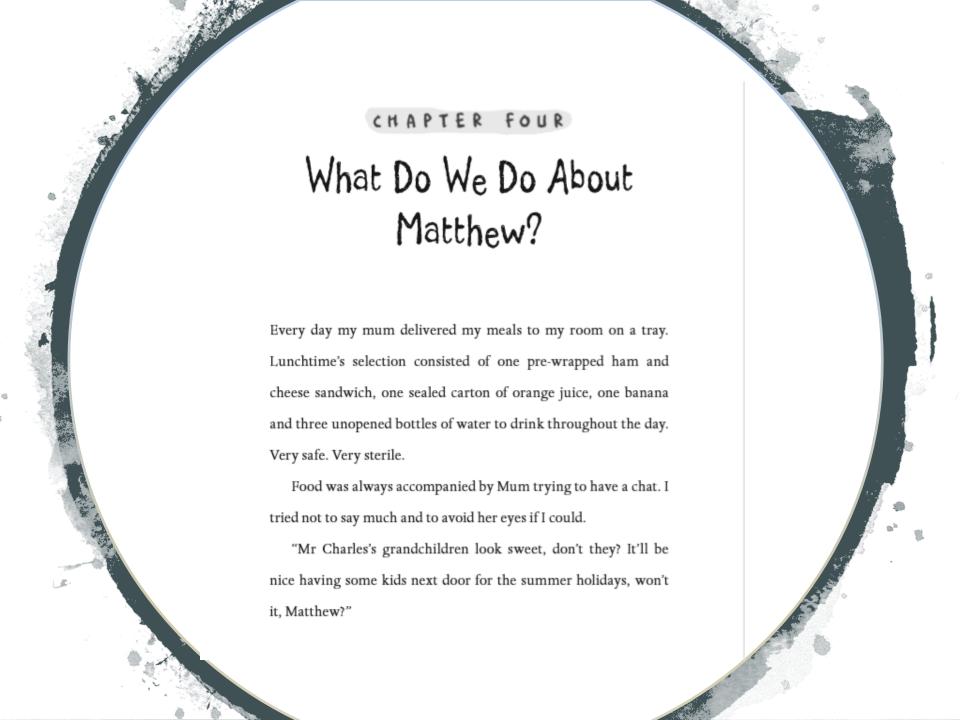
The Goldfish Boy



I think the text is about... because...

Have you changed your prediction?





Consider the following questions after reading the extract.

1

Can you think of another story, which has a similar theme?

2

Do you know of another story which deals with the same issues?

3

How is Matthew like someone you know? Do you think they will react in the same way?



## Tell your partner: What are the main points of this text?

Mum looks after Matthew, who stays at home in his room.

CHAPTER FOUR

#### What Do We Do About Matthew?

Matthew doesn't like the 'chats' with mum.

Every day my mum delivered my meals to my room on a tray. Lunchtime's selection consisted of one pre-wrapped ham and cheese sandwich, one sealed carton of orange juice, one banana and three unopened bottles of water to drink throughout the day. Very safe. Very sterile.

Food was always accompanied by Mum trying to have a chat. I tried not to say much and to avoid her eyes if I could.

"Mr Charles's grandchildren look sweet, don't they? It'll be nice having some kids next door for the summer holidays, won't it, Matthew?" He stays there throughout the day.

Some new children have moved in next door.

### Tell your partner: How do you know this text is a fiction text? Give 3 reasons.

A story is written from the first person perspective.

Lots of dialogue.

The story has a problem.

#### Main task

#### 1. Summarise these points in order.

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- Mum puts her bare feet onto the floor.
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- Mum asks the Matthew to go to the doctors.
- Mum decided to go to the salon.

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2. Write a summary of what happens in the text. Matthew's lunch is given to him in his room, Matthew appears to like it in a certain order. His mother wants to go to her salon, but feels guilty. She tries to organise a doctors appointment for Matthew. He recalls a time when his parents lied about his illness to his school. Finally, Matthew's mother puts here bare foot on the carpet. Matthew doesn't appear to like this.



#### **Lesson 2: Word detectives**

#### L.O: I can explain the meaning of words in context.



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We are learning to use \_\_\_\_\_ skills.

What strategies do you need to use?

The strategies I will need to use are....

When have you used this strategy before?

I have used this strategy...

#### Steps to success

- To work out unfamiliar words.
- To read around the text to understand the meaning of the word
- To use synonyms to work out the meaning of an unfamiliar word.

# Tell your partner: Find one word from the passage that suggest mum started to believe Matthew had a disease? Why did mum convince herself?

Convince you believe something.

Mum and Dad had been lying to the school; they said they had glandular fever. Of all the illnesses they could have picked, they chose the 'kissing disease" — when I had no intention of kissing anyone! They must have thought it was good choice because you can be off school for weeks with that. I think Mum managed to convince herself I actually had it, as in the first few days I was off she kept offering...

Mum convinced herself because she felt bad about lying to the school, so it was better to live the lie for real.

# Tell your partner: ..twist at an awkward angle..What do these words mean and why did the author choose them?

"Can you get your foot out my room please?" Her leg twisted at an awkward angle though she stayed exactly where she was



Awkward angle – in an uncommon shape. The author uses these words in order to suggest that mum felt uncomfortable, with Matthew's request as she is the parent in this relastionship.

#### Main task

What is does sealed mean?

.. Pre-wrapped ham and cheese sandwich ... sealed carton of orange juice.. Three unopened bottles of water.. The writer uses these words to describe Matthew's food what does it tell us about Matthew?

What does the word treatable mean in this sentence?

'...willing me to have something treatable with the end in sight..'

Find and copy a word that suggests that Mum feels uncomfortable around Matthew?

What is a synonym for awkward?

What does this phrase suggest?

'the pond episode'. Tick one

A tv show about a Pond

A new pond was fitted in the house

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#### Sharing answers: Self - marking

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Not opened

... Pre-wrapped ham and cheese sandwich ... sealed carton of orange juice.. Three unopened bottles of water.. The writer uses these words to describe Matthew's food what does it tell us about Matthew?

He doesn't like others to touch is food

#### What does the word treatable mean in this sentence?

"...willing me to have something treatable with the end in sight.."

That the illness can be cured/helped by medicine or surgery

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**Nervously** 

What is a synonym for awkward?

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