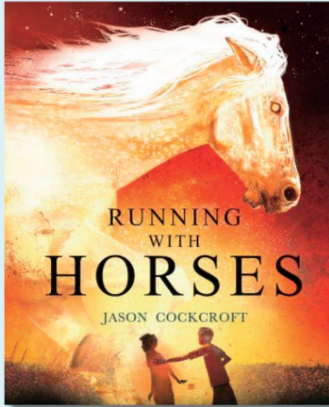


Running with Horses

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BOOK TALK CARDS



ABOUT THE BOOK

Rabbit and his mum move to an isolated seaside town after the death of Rabbit's father. There, he befriends Joe and seems to get better. But a recurring dream set Rabbit and Joe onto a dangerous path...



OUR THOUGHTS

"An action packed, coming of age story with atmospheric illustrations and heart wrenching messages about finding your inner hero and holding on to what is right."

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THEMES:

- Dreams
- Reality
- Promises
- Truth
- Anger

TIME TO TALK

- 1 Read the Blake quote at the very start of the book – what does it imply about anger or wrath? Do you agree? How do you cope with anger?
- 2 'There are those that talk and those that do'... do you agree with this statement? Can you be someone who talks and does? How can we use each other's strengths to build a stronger team?
- 3 How do the questions in chapter one make you want to read on?
- 4 Different types of truth are a theme in the story. Do you think truth is a singular concept, or can it be different in different circumstances?
- 5 What does it mean to be an outsider? Have you felt like an outsider?
- 6 The concept of shame, and how it can prevent you from talking to others or moving forwards is covered in the story. Is this something you can relate to? Are there any times when you have been reluctant to acknowledge an experience?
- 7 Sometimes experiences come back to you in dreams. This can be rewarding or intimidating. How do the characters negotiate the difference between dreams and reality? Can dreams, however bad, sometimes help you to make a decision? Who can help with things that are on your mind?
- 8 'Promises are made to be kept'. Especially, according to this book, ones made to yourself. Do you agree with the statement? Do promises made to yourself matter more or less to you? What are the consequences of breaking a promise?

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

