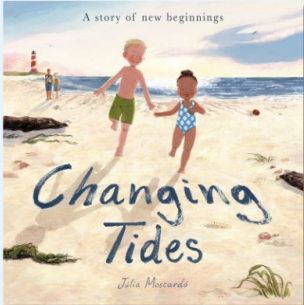


# Changing Tides

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# BOOK TALK CARDS



## ABOUT THE BOOK

When Theo and his mother, Simone, become part of Lula's family, she isn't sure what to expect. As they all spend a holiday at the seaside, the new siblings learn to work together to create a beautiful sandcastle. But once disaster strikes, will their relationship weather the storm?



## OUR THOUGHTS

"Charming portrayal of a blended family and the emotions experienced by children adapting to changes in the family set-up. Lovely."

YEAR 1

## THEMES:

- Families
- Friendship
- Seaside
- Siblings
- Blended families

## TIME TO TALK

- 1 Lula isn't happy about sharing her toys with Theo, why do you think she is so moody? Can you think of a time when someone you didn't know wanted to play with something that is precious to you? How did you deal with it?
- 2 Lula calms down once she is in the car and singing. What kind of things do your parents do in the car to keep you calm and occupied?
- 3 Why do you think Theo is reluctant to go into the sea, when Lula is so excited? Do you enjoy the sea? What things scare you about the deep-sea waters?
- 4 Lula is excited about making a sandcastle, what do you enjoy the most about making one? What did you add to yours to make it special?
- 5 In what ways does the relationship with Lula and Theo develop whilst they are making their sandcastle? What activities have you done with someone that have helped to break down barriers?
- 6 How does Theo behave like an older brother to Lula? Do you have an older sibling who looks after you? What sort of things do they do to help and encourage you?
- 7 What plans are Lula and Theo making as they look out of the window?
- 8 The family are staying in a caravan. Have you ever been on holiday and stayed in a caravan? What are the advantages and disadvantages of being on holiday in a caravan?

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

