Wings of Glory

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ABOUT THE BOOK

Linus, a plucky young swift,

joins the Royal Bird Force

with two missions: help

the war effort, and find his

"This is perfect for Reading for

Pleasure collections across KS2,

but also for WW2 topics looking

for an alternative slant or for

suggested extension reading

OUR

THOUGHTS

missing sister.



TIME TO TALK -

- 1 'Eternal gratitude' what does this phrase mean in the context of the story? What does it mean to you?
- 2 How do Linus and Ava's feelings about signing up differ? Do you think one is right or wrong?
- **3** Consider the terms '*enemy*' and '*ally*' in chapter two. What makes someone an enemy or an ally? Can this status change?
- 4 Is Linus responsible for what happens to Ava? Why or why not? How does he try to compensate for this?
- 5 Linus is disappointed to be placed in B Squadron. How does he overcome this feeling? Can you relate it to a time when you have felt disappointed?
- 6 Why does Atticus choose to help Linus? Can you think of a time when someone has really invested

invested in helping you?

- 7 Consider the resistance fighters and how easily they are misinterpreted. What dangers are there with snap judgements? When are you forced into making a quick decision?
- Lord Speckles is a frustrating characters for Linus and Marcus. How do they manage their frustration and work with Lord Speckles?
- **9** Think about the character of Marmaduke. Can you understand at all how he came to be the traitor? Is he entirely to blame? What might help him to change?
- **10** Is the return of Ava likely or not? Does this help to make the ending of the story more appealing or detract because of the unlikeliness of it happening?

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



around the topic."

Friends and Traitors by Helen Peters



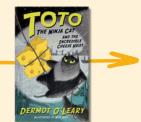
Sweet Skies by Robin Scott-Elliot



Code Name Kingfisher by Liz Kessler



Toto the Ninja Cat and the Great Snake Escape by Dermot O'Leary and Nick East (illustrator)



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