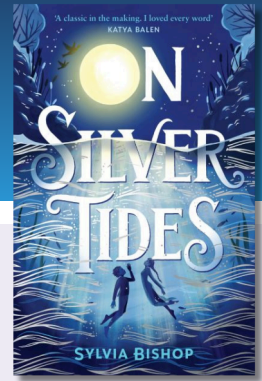




BOOK TALK CARDS



THEMES:

- Families
- Rivers
- Gender roles
- Adventure stories
- Fantasy stories

On Silver Tides

by Sylvia Bishop

Kelda and her family are silvermen, a hidden people who swim like fish and can breathe underwater. But her sister is born differently - and when betrayal comes, she and Kelda must flee on a desperate journey across Britain's waterways.



OUR THOUGHTS

"A gripping adventure with solid characters and plenty of drama. The world building is clear, the writing is accomplished and the story is a page turner. Kelda is a heroic and inspiring main character."

TIME TO TALK

- 1 How do you feel about baby Isla's initiation?
- 2 What situations have you been in that required you to accept that although things are difficult it is for the best?
- 3 Kelda and Isla's idea of home was the boat and the river. What does "Home" mean to you?
- 4 Which beliefs do you think cause misunderstandings and distrust in the world today?
- 5 Which of the characters do feel most drawn to? Why is this?
- 6 There are many parallels to things happening in the natural world right now. What messages do you think are being shared?
- 7 Would you sacrifice your normality or life as you know it for anything or anyone? What would be the reason for you doing so?
- 8 Which scene stands out most for you? Why is this so?
- 9 Do you think this book would make a good film? Explain your reasons.
- 10 If someone asked you what this book was about what would you tell them?



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

