

# The Box Full Of Wonders

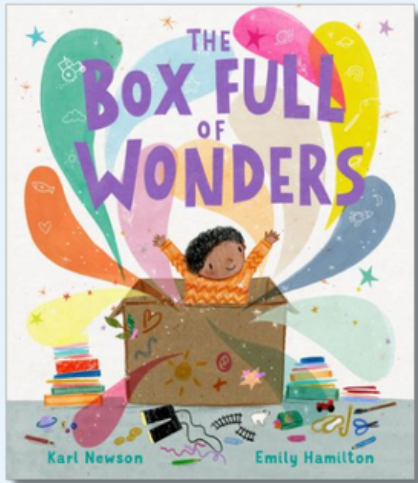
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# BOOK TALK CARDS



Spark discussion and foster a reading community with our top picks



## ABOUT THE BOOK

On the day two families move into a new home to start their life together under one roof, an overwhelmed little boy takes refuge in a simple cardboard box.



## OUR THOUGHTS

"It is a clever way of tackling blended families. The plot is open ended and covers other issues too: sharing, new places, and imagination."



## THEMES:

- Friendship • Changing families
- Imagination •
- Feelings • Sharing

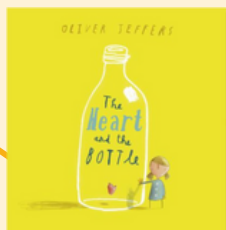
## TIME TO TALK

- 1 What would you transform a box into?
- 2 Can you read the faces of the two families on the first page? What do you think might be happening? How do they all feel about this?
- 3 *'Somewhere better than here...somewhere I want to be!'* Why do you think the boy doesn't want to be there? Can you describe somewhere you especially like to be?
- 4 Why does the boy react as he does when the other children transform their box?
- 5 Which of the imaginary places the children visit together would you like to visit?
- 6 Do you think the boy has more fun in his box at the start or when he makes friends with the other children?
- 7 Tell us about the people that make up your family? Have you experienced any changes like this family do?
- 8 Who or what can help you when you are confused about your feelings like the boy in the story?

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



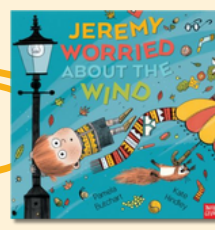
How to Heal a Broken Wing by Bob Graham



The Heart and The Bottle by Oliver Jeffers



Ruby's Worry by Tom Percival



Jeremy Worried About The Wind by Pamela Butchart and Kate Hindley (illustrator)



Sweep by Louise Greig and Julia Sarda