

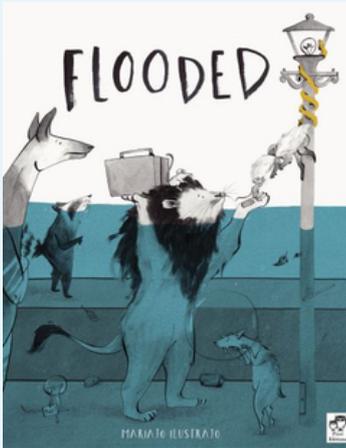
# Flooded

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# BOOK TALK CARDS



Spark discussion and foster a reading community with our top picks



## ABOUT THE BOOK

The animals of a flooded city try to find a solution to solve it as the problem gets worse.



## OUR THOUGHTS

"With lovely illustrations, this book could work on a number of levels for topics such as community, cooperation, and possibly an analogy for climate change."



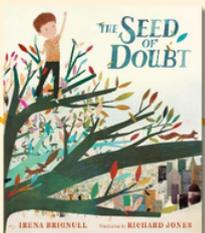
## THEMES:

- Overcoming problems
- Empathy • Listening to others
- Co-operation • Problem-solving

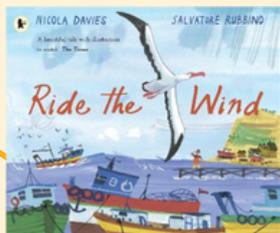
## TIME TO TALK

- 1 The pictures show lots of smaller stories happening within the one larger picture on each page. What does this suggest about how our lives relate to others?
- 2 Why do you think the city tried to 'carry on as normal' at the start of the story? When is this a good or a bad idea?
- 3 What do you think of the animals in the office trying to find someone to blame for all the water? Will this solve the problem?
- 4 Do we need to know who is to blame when something goes wrong?
- 5 The giraffes can't see what there is to complain about – this is a matter of perspective. Can you think of any examples from your own life when a situation can be viewed from different perspectives?
- 6 What could the water be a metaphor for?
- 7 Consider the 'someone' who had known the solution from the beginning. Why do you think he was ignored? How do you think he felt having an answer but not being heard?
- 8 *'It wasn't a job for one! Everyone had to work together. And once they did...'* What message do you think the author is offering here?
- 9 How are the community better placed to face all the new problems? How might it feel to have lots more problems once you have solved one?
- 10 Can you describe a time when you have had to tackle a problem? How did you solve it, who helped?

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



*The Seed of Doubt* by Irena Brignull and Richard Jones (illustrator)



*Ride the Wind* by Nicola Davies and Salvatore Rubbino (illustrator)



*The Rock From The Sky* by Jon Klassen



*Imaginary Fred* by Eoin Colfer and Oliver Jeffers (illustrator)



*What We'll Build* by Oliver Jeffers