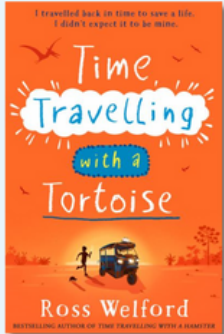


Time travelling with a tortoise

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BOOK TALK CARDS



ABOUT THE BOOK

When an accident robs Al's beloved Grandad of his world-beating memory, Al travels back in time, only for a friend to get trapped in a prehistoric dimension. This sequel provides enough background to be read as a stand-alone.



OUR THOUGHTS

"Another winner from Welford! It's perfect for Science Fiction fans, but it would also work as a good form time read."



THEMES:

- Family
- Memory
- Bereavement

TIME TO TALK

- 1 Would you like to travel to a different time? If so, when/where would you go?
- 2 Al's dad says *'the future's what counts, not the past'*. Is the future more important than the past?
- 3 Al's Grandpa Byron thinks of himself as a *'special limited edition.'* What is there about you that makes you different from other people?
- 4 Al notices small changes, such as smells or what his Grandpa wears, that make him feel like *"an imposter in his own life"* (p.41). What are the important little things in your life that, if they changed, would make you feel like an imposter?
- 5 Do you think there is anyone in your life who would believe you if you told them you had travelled through time? What might you say to convince them? Would you believe someone else?
- 6 If you could send a message back in time, what would it be?
- 7 Grandpa Byron uses *'memory palaces'* to remember facts. How do you remember things? Can you think of any useful mnemonics like Al's *'Pregnant camels often sit down carefully, perhaps their joints creak'*?
- 8 Al lies to Paulie about what his grandma was really like. Is it okay to tell a lie to protect someone's feelings?

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

