

Activity 5: Changes

When you've finished reading a book, do you often find yourself thinking about it again, wondering about the characters and what may have happened to them beyond the final page?

Choose one of your favourite CILIP Carnegie and Kate Greenaway Medal winning books, and take a sheet of A₄ paper.

Make two columns, with the headings: Before and After

Think about the characters in the book and some of the issues that come up, and ask yourself if the book has changed your views.

Be very honest. For example, with some characters you may not have changed your opinions at all, while with others you may feel completely differently.

Now think about what may have happened to the characters after the final page. What do you think happened next?

If you were writing a sequel, where would you want the story to go, and what would you want to happen?

"I'm happy,' I say.

'But I'm so scared. What if I wake up and you're gone.

I don't want to wake up without you."

Extract from One by Sarah Crossan, CILIP Carnegie Medal winner, 2016



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