

Knowledge Organiser

Year: 4 Subject: English Unit: Cultural Differences (African Tales)

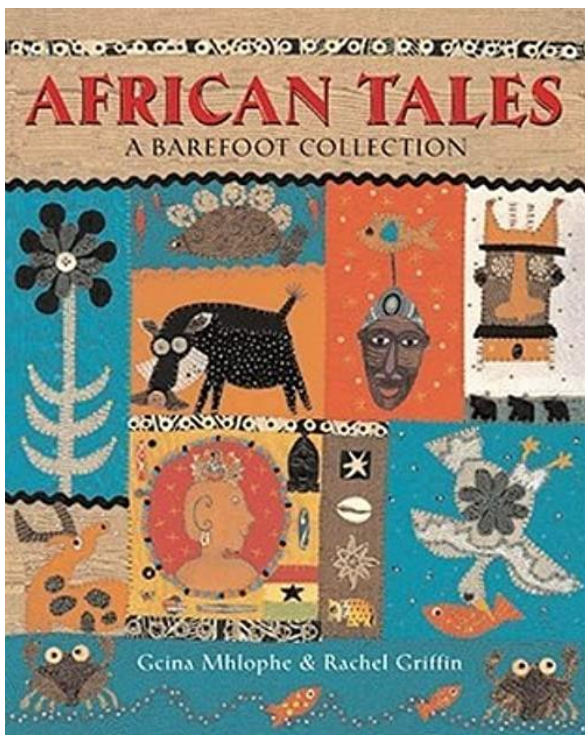
Overview:

During this sequence of learning, children will explore African Tales written by Geina Mhlophe & Rachel Griffin. Children will learn and the discuss the many similarities and differences between traditional tales and African Tales, leading to writing their very own tale that encompasses both.

What will I learn in this unit?

- Use inference skills to analyse a text
- Practise using a range of subordinating conjunctions
- Using inverted commas in dialogue
- Focus on ambitious vocabulary
- Correct verb tenses
- Character description
- Expanded noun phrases to describe

Book focus



Vocabulary:

Malawi- country in southeast Africa. Known as the 'Warm Heart of Africa'

Drought- a long period with little or no rain

A cappella - without musical instruments

Ritual - a symbolic set of actions

Rainmaker - one who causes or attempts to cause rain to fall, either by scientific or by magical methods

Deserted - to leave behind even though it is one's duty to stay; abandon

Herbalist - a person who cultivates, collects, or deals in herbs, especially medicinal herbs