

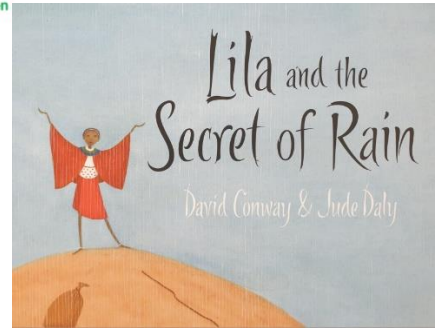
## Week 3: Core Text Reading Task

Lila and the secret of the rain

By David Conway & Jude Daly

Day 1

### Clarifying



Here are some words from the story. Use your clarifying strategies to say what the word means.

1. gather

I think gather means \_\_\_\_\_

2. overheard

3. echoed

4. scorching

5. remained

6. weeping

7. tore

8. ebony



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### Day 2

#### Summarising

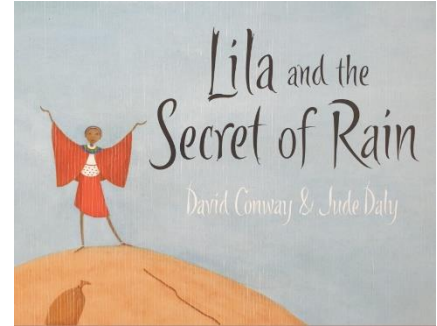
The key idea is...

This part it about...

The main theme is...

In 10 words...

The headline would be...



1. What is this story about?

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2. How could you describe Lila?

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3. What is the main theme of this story?

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4. If this story was a newspaper article, what would the headline be?

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5. How does this story end?

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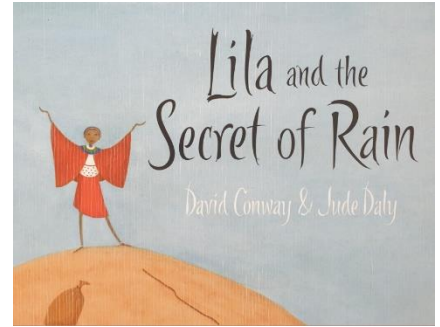
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### Day 3



### Asking Questions

Who/What/When/Where...

Why...

I wonder...

What is?

How do we know?

Imagine you are meeting Lila's grandad from the story.  
What questions would you ask him to find out more  
about his story?

1. Why \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. When \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Where \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

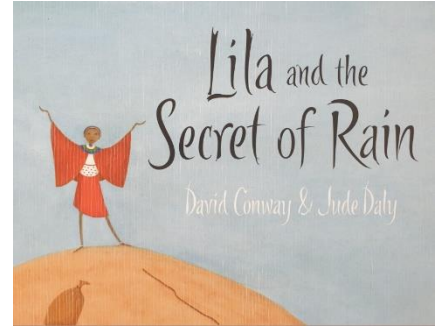
Why do you think Lila's grandad told her this story?

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## Day 4

1. Put each part of the story in order that they happen.

*The first one has been done for you*

Lila told the sky the saddest things she knew of.	
The clouds filled with Lila's sadness and it began to rain.	
For weeks and weeks there had been no rain.	1
The sun shone brightly so Lila started weeping	
Lila's grandad told her a story of the secret of rain.	

2. Why did Lila not tell her mum what she had done at the end of the story?

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3. How do you think Lila felt when the sky still shone brightly after she has told it about the saddest things she knew?

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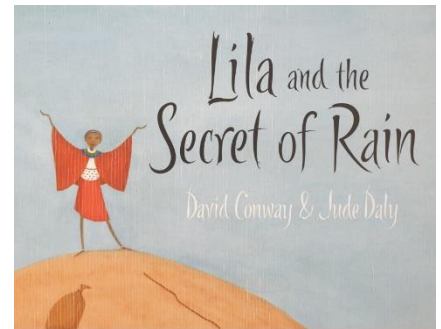
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### Day 5

Task: Imagine you are Lila from the story. Write a diary entry about her day.

What would she want to tell her diary?

How did she feel throughout the day?

What were the most significant events?

Here is an example:

Dear diary,

What an emotional day I have had! When I woke up this morning there was still no sign of rain. It had been so long since it had rained that I wasn't sure the sky remembered how to. It was so worrying as the plants couldn't grow, we had nothing to drink and now the cattle were starting to die because of it.

So, I went to...

Dear diary,

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Love Lila.