# Blue Literacy Booklet



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## Two weeks with the Queen Booklet

## Year 7 Blue Literacy

Dear Year 7s, this booklet is full of activities to support and demonstrate your understanding of *Two weeks with the Queen.* Some activities will require workshops, other you will be able to do in your independent learning time, and as homework. I will be away in the last week of term 3, so you will be working on activities from this booklet. I will email you a list of the pages I expect you to have completed before the start of term 4. Colour in the smiley face when you have completed an activity.

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## Book Report Ladder

Name of Book	
Author, Publisher, Date	
Who (Main Characters)	
Where (Setting)	esses (
When (Period or Specific Time)	
What	
Why	
How	

## Display your knowledge of the plot of Two weeks with the Queen by completing the storyboard below

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8

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Plot Summary:
Write a brief summary of the plot of Two weeks with the Queen:
The ending:
What are your feelings at the end of Two weeks with the Queen. Do you think the ending is
hopeful? Happy? Sad? Do you think there is a message to the reader at the end?

e a brief para	graph about w	vhy you have	designed the	cover this way	<i>v</i> :

### Work out what's really happening...

1.	Colin called after him. 'I've never been in an ambulance. Where's your Christmas spirit?' It was obviously back at the station with the Christmas pudding because the ambulance sped away []				
	Why don't the ambulance men take Colin?				
2.	Then everything went black. At last, thought Colin, my turn. He waited for more symptoms to appear []				
	Why does Colin want to be ill?				
3.	Colin describes everything that Luke has eaten and then says, "Would you like me to write this all down?"				
	Why doesn't the doctor answer Colin?				
4.	Dad squeezed mum's hand. 'See nothing to worry about,' he said.				
	'I know,' she replied.				
	That's a relief,' he said.				
	'Yes,' she said.				
	Neither of them looked relieved to Colin.				
	Why do Colin's Mum and Dad pretend they are not worried? (you can answer on next page)				

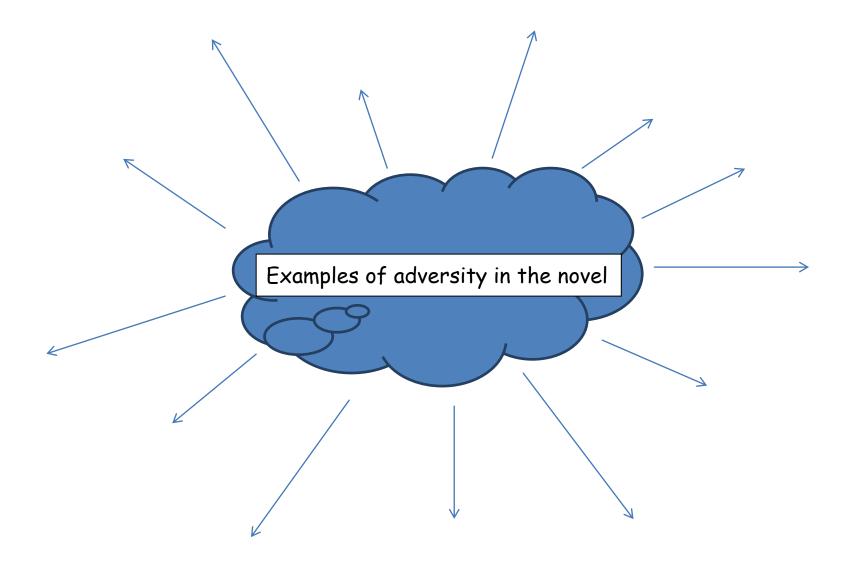
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5. Colin had a sudden vision of how grateful Mum and Dad would be if someone could check out Luke's blood now, this afternoon.				
Why does Colin want to check Luke's blood himself?				
6. They'd be sorry when they found out it was him that was really sick.				
Why does Colin want his parents to believe that he is sick?				

# Colin character profile:

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# Ted character profile:

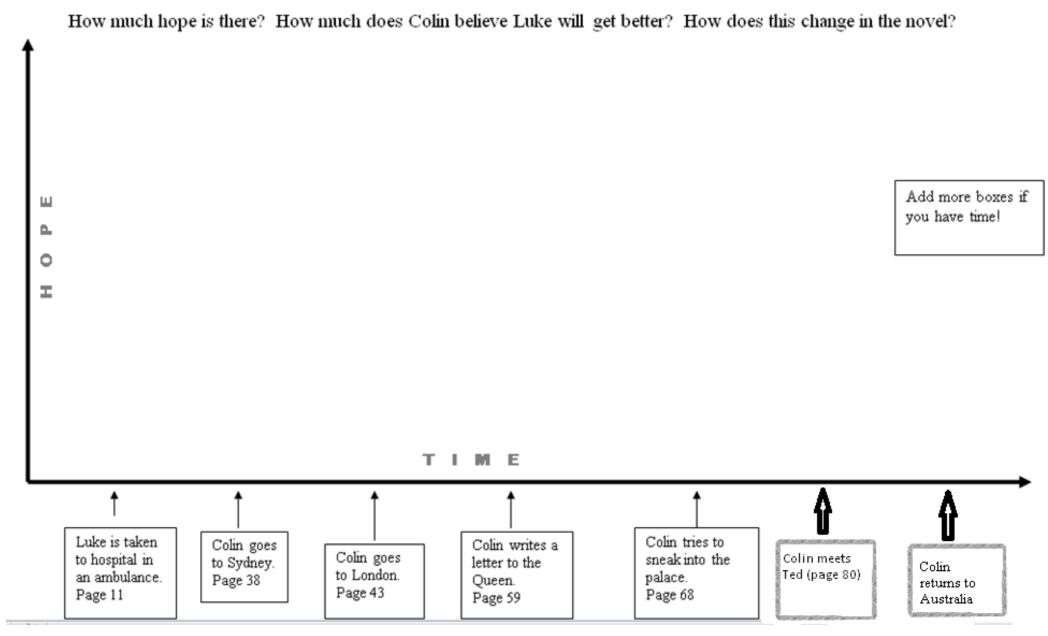
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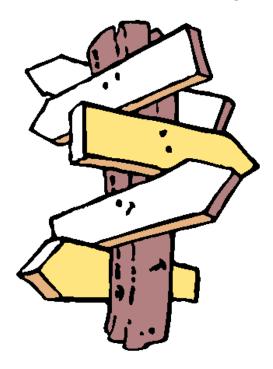
# **Character analysis:**

Fill in details about each of the characters in the following table:

Character	Adversity they face	How do they cope with adversity?
Colin:		
Mum:		
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Dad:		
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Ted:		
Luke:		



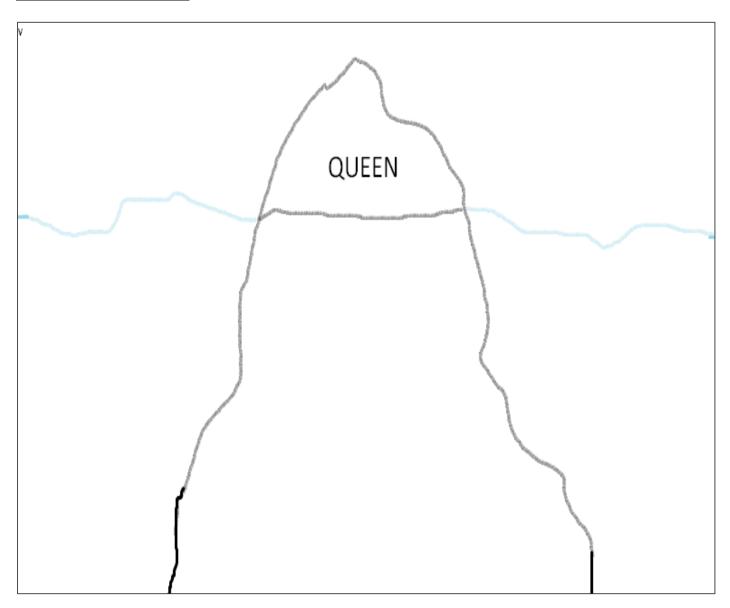
## Alternative endings



Why do you think that the writer chooses to end the book with Colin returning to visit his brother in hospital in Australia? Consider the alternative ways in which the writer might have ended this novel and the different effects these alternative endings might have on the reader.

Alternative ending 1	The different effect this might have on the reader
Alternative ending 2	The different effect this might have on the reader

## **Iceberg Activity:**



Sometimes words have more than one meaning, or there is more to them than first meets the eye. It is just like and iceberg – you see the tip, but most of the iceberg is beneath the surface. Think of the use of the word "Queen" in the book and in the title. There is more to this choice of word than meets the eye. Write down all of the "hidden meanings" of the word queen underneath the surface of the iceberg. See how many words you can get!

# Two weeks with the Queen Vocab list

Use a dictionary to find the meaning/definition of each of the following words. Write the definitions into your literacy book. (701, 702, 703, you have the first 5 chapters on a hand out that I gave you. Complete chapters 6 to 16 in your literacy book).

Chapter 1:	Cha	pter	1:
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Scowl

Sincere

**Furrow** 

**Battered** 

Inflicting

#### Chapter 2:

Symptoms

Anxiously

Pathology

Hesitating

**Purred** 

#### Chapter 3:

Including

Rumour

Lunged

Matron

Gradually

#### Chapter 4:

Slaving

Vaguely

Documentary

Pleading

Virtually

#### Chapter 5:

**Dabbing** 

Quivering

#### Chapter 6:

Posture

Flinch

Hastily

Sarcastic

Supervisor

#### Chapter 7:

Appreciate

**Tourist** 

Intently

Urgent

Prosecuted

#### Chapter 8:

Desperately

Manufacturer

Admiration

Suspicious

Exaggerating

#### Chapter 9:

Concerned

Massive

**Bombarded** 

Genius

**Paramount** 

#### Chapter 10:

Inspiration

Brawny

Weary

Smuggle

Cafeteria

#### Chapter 11:

**Eminent** 

Incognito

Fluke

Diagnosis

Deflate

#### Chapter 12:

Frantic

Ancient

Indigestion

#### Chapter 13:

Grimy

Fervently

Wince

Pathetic

Rummage

#### Chapter 14:

Intruder

Precious

Corruption

Mutter

Rasping

#### Chapter 15:

Grappling

Heave

Numb

Gallivanting

Descended

#### Chapter 16:

Dumbfounded

Accompanying

Sympathies

Flinging

# **QUOTES TABLE**

Quote	Who said this/ who is this quote about?	What does it mean?
'Easy for you, he thought. Bet you got what you wanted.' p 5	·	
'Bet nobody gave you daggy school shoes for Christmas.' p 5		
'It wasn't fair.' P 6		
'Even though I'm twelve I might as well be a lump of wood for all the attention I get around this place.' p 6		
'Four? Colin couldn't believe his ears. When he was eight, he'd only been allowed two.' p 7		
'The nurse blocked his way. "Sorry, young man, full up." p 12		
"Come on, fair go," Colin called after him. "I've never been in an ambulance. Where's your Christmas spirit?" p 12		
'The doctor didn't answer.' p 13		
"Bloke gets a bit ignored when his kid brother's in hospital." P 18		
'They were putting on a brave face. It was what adults did when they were frightened.' p 22		
"There's only room for one passenger in the plane so I'm going with him," said Dad. "You and Mum'll come down on the train tomorrow." p 26		
'He'd never even been in an ambulance and Luke was flying to Sydney in a plane.' p 27		

"Sorry,' he said, 'we're full up." P 28	
'Suddenly it was swirlier inside his chest than it was out on the airstrip.' p 29	
'Just for a second Colin's guts went cold, like when he remembered he hadn't done his homework, only worse. Then he did what he usually did with homework. He stopped thinking about it.' p 29	
"They think he might be pretty crook." P 31	
"No point moping till we know what's what." P 31	
"Me and Dad'd like you to go and stay with Uncle Bob and Aunty Iris in England." P 34	
'They were sending him away. They didn't want him anymore.' P 34	
"Colin," said Mum, "a terrible thing's happening and we don't want you to have to suffer too." P 35	
"Luke's going to die." P 35	
"We've got to be strong, old mate, and cop it on the chin." p 38	
"This is the best way," said Mum, starting to cry again. "Once you're over there it won't be so painful for you and we'll send for you when it's all" p 40	
"I know what it is," snapped the business man, "I just don't particularly want to talk about it." P 41	
"Mum said that word isn't to be mentioned in this house while you're here." P 50	

"Forget the Queen," said Uncle	
Bob. "The likes of her hasn't got	
time for the likes of us. In this	
world, ordinary people have to	
solve their own problems." P 70	
"I will not have my ward rounds	
disturbed like this." P 77	
"Once a week I treat myself to	
a bit of a cry." P 80	
"Luke can't be cured. He's going	
to die."' P 92	
'His body had stopped working.	
His mind had stopped working.	
P 92	
'He felt angry and that's	
exactly how he wanted to feel.	
P 92	
'Hot tears of anger poured	
down his face and he didn't	
care.' P 93	
'He'd failed.' P 94	
Hea falled. P 94	
'All the blokes in the world doing	
really mean and cruel stuff and	
getting away without even a smack	
round the ear and here's a bloke	
getting totally bashed up for being	
in love with another bloke.' P 103	
'Colin was trying not to think	
about it himself.' P 107	
'The sick people who had their	
families and loved ones around	
their beds all looked happier	
than the ones who didn't.' p 111	
"You'll probably never know how	
important this time is to us." P	
118	
"I want to go home and be with	
Luke." P 123	
'He just looked at Luke who was	
staring up at him in delight, sitting	
up in bed, flinging his arms round	
his neck, squealing his name	
joyously , hugging him as if he'd	
never let go.' P. 127	