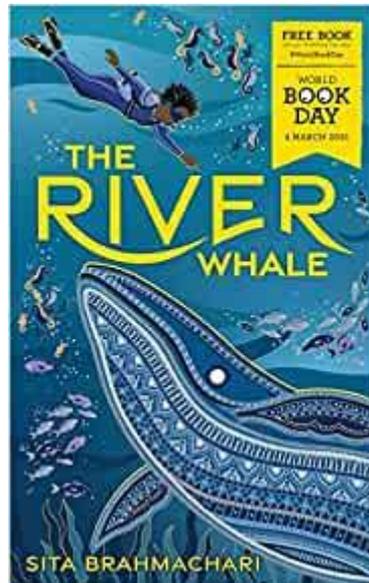


Inspiration 1

Getting into the flow!



‘The River Whale’ was my World Book Day story this year.

It tells the story of Imtiaz (you can also find her in ‘When Secrets Set Sail’). Imtiaz loves water and listens to whale music to get to sleep at night. She also dreams of becoming a marine biologist and diving to the bottom of the ocean. The illustrator is Poonam Mistry and there are fantastic illustrations all the way through the story. In my stories there are many characters who are doodlers and daydreamers. In fact the way I start writing is by drawing and doodling!

How about starting an inspiration book for ‘Water Stories’ by doodling a cover? An inspiration book is great to collect your ideas. I will be sharing more inspirations that you can add to over the coming weeks.

Begin your doodle by a drawing a wave shape across your page and seeing where it takes you! Draw whatever emerges in your imagination. If you prefer to collage a cover by sticking water inspirations from magazines or newspapers then collage away. Your cover can have real world influences or be a work of the imagination... or both.

Maybe a title for a story will just come to you. If it doesn’t then, for now just give it the title ‘Water Stories.’

Happy doodling!

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