



**The Blue Hat**  
managing the  
thinking process



# SPREAD THE WORD

**THE TASK:** Inspire a group of people to read your favourite book of all time. Some fun options for presenting your ideas are included in this activity.

## PLANNING:

**THIS BOOK APPEALED  
TO ME BECAUSE IT...**

**Made  
me feel...**

Made me think about/  
question/ learn about...




**Reminded me of...**

**Is not...**

Was easy to relate to...

Will always be remembered for...

Consider at least three reasons why this book appealed to you.  
Reproduce the table below in your book or on your tablet to record your thoughts.

 <b>Draw it</b> Use symbols, pictures or other materials such as a collage materials, photos etc.	 <b>Write it</b> Explain your reasons.

Use this information to create your response.



*Some fun possible options for presenting include:*

### Create a video

In this video share your thoughts about your favourite book and why you believe this is a must read book. Some of these videos could be featured in library lessons, newsletters or assemblies.

Be sure to capture the attention of your audience. Perhaps dress as a character from the book or create the video in a setting that is inspired by the book. The key is to make this a memorable video.

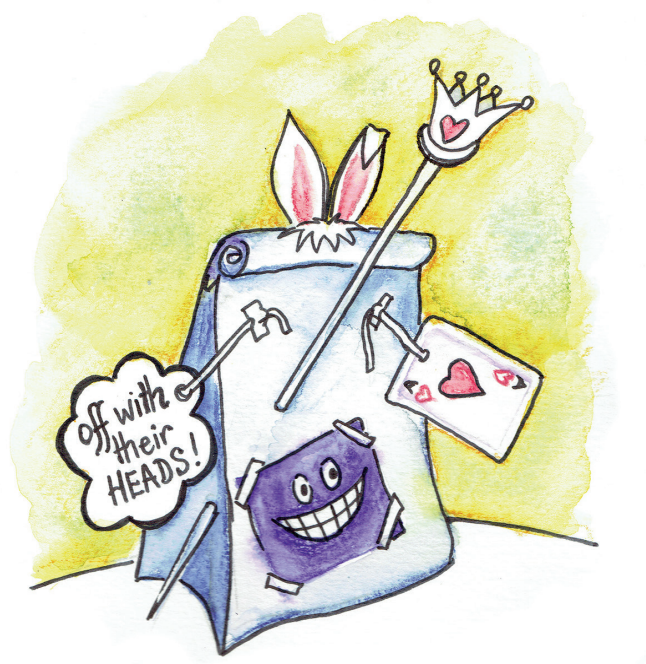
### Penpal Peer Review

Share book recommendations with students from another school, it may even be a school in another country. Guidelines for this idea will need to be established.



### Be mysterious and organise a mystery book bag

– whereby you place your favourite book in a brownpaper bag and attach clues to the bag that are designed to inspire the group to read the book. Include words, symbols, items the characters use, maps, artworks and pictures that relate to the book in your bag. If anyone is intrigued and keen to read the book, they then open the bag to reveal the book.



**What should I read next?**

Create a visual space where children make book recommendations. In this space, feature covers of books and then the statement "if you enjoyed this, you may like.....". Students use this space to select and share books with similar themes, characters or storylines.

