



There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it. He's nine years old (just like me), but he's very strange. He never talks and never smiles and doesn't like sweets - not even lemon sherbets, which are my favourite!

But then I learned the truth: Ahmet really isn't very strange at all. He's a refugee who's run away from a War. A real one. With bombs and fires and bullies that hurt people. And the more I find out about him, the more I want to help.

That's where my best friends Josie, Michael and Tom come in. Because you see, together we've come up with a plan. . .

1) Look at the front cover: make a prediction about the story by using the title and the images on the front of the book.

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(2 marks)

2) Read the blurb. Clarify what a refugee is.

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3) What impression do you get of the character Ahmet from the blurb?

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4) What do you think the plan could be that they have come up with?

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(3 marks)