



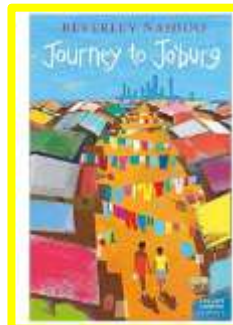
Journey to Jo'Burg by Beverley Naidoo



Purpose: **Entertain** **Inform** **Persuade**

- **Non-chronological report:**
- **Persuasive Letters**
- **Newspaper Article**
- **Setting Description**
- **Balanced argument**

Name of the book: Journey to Jo'Burg
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Themes and Links:

- Bravery
- Courage
- Family
- Journeys
- Children in need

Plot

This is the story of love, commitment and the human spirit against the background of South Africa's apartheid. Frightened that their baby sister Dineo will die, thirteen year old Naledi and her younger brother Tiro run away from their grandmother to Johannesburg to find their mother who works there as a maid. The journey illustrates at every turn the grim realities of apartheid – the pass laws, racism, the breakdown of family life. The opulence of the white "Madam's" house contrasts starkly with the reality that Naledi and Tiro face – that their baby sister is suffering from starvation, not an incurable disease.



Vocabulary

Inference

Predict

Explain

Retrieve

Summarise

Key vocabulary

apartheid	A former policy of segregation and political and economic discrimination against non-European groups in the Republic of South Africa.
racism	The belief in the natural superiority of one race over another.
segregation	The practice or policy of separating a race, class, or group from the rest of society.
poverty	Not having enough money for basic needs such as food, water, shelter or toilets.
prejudice	Judging someone or having an idea about them before you actually know anything about them

Writing

- Understanding and using formal and informal writing
- Working on "show not tell" when describing a setting or character
- Using persuasive language
- Emotive language
- To understand and use the subjunctive form
- To use unusual verb tense aspects correctly (e.g. use of auxiliary verbs in continuous and perfect aspects etc)

SPaG

- Use a wider range of punctuation in all areas of writing, commas to clarify meaning and indicate parenthesis, brackets, dashes, hyphens, semi-colons, colons and ellipsis.
- To recognise and use the spellings of homophones accurately
- Use grammatical devices such as converting nouns/adjectives into verbs, e.g. intense becomes intensify and using expanded noun phrases to convey information