

A MoAD classroom-ready resource



The Journey



In order to live a safe and happy life, a young girl and her family must make the unimaginable decision to pack up their life and escape the war-torn country that they once called home.

The Journey by **Francesca Sanna** is a beautifully illustrated picture book that introduces children to a new perspective on migration.

Curriculum Links: Literacy, HASS, Visual Arts

Age Range: Year 5/6

ACTIVITY: MY FAMILY'S JOURNEY

We all have a story to tell, and every story will be different. Let's share our stories with others to understand that we all experience different life journeys!

This activity will encourage students to further understand migration by exploring their own family history.

- Read Francesca Sanna's **The Journey** with your class and discuss their understanding and experiences of migration.
- Encourage students to think about migration on a personal level. Has anyone in their family migrated to Australia? Parents? Grandparents? Great Grandparents?
- Ask students to conduct an interview with a grandparent or family member to explore their family history. They could present their findings in the form of a blog post, newspaper article, podcast, video or live report.
- Once complete, have students share their story with the class so everyone can learn about their family's journey!

Don't forget to think of interview questions!
You could also include some pictures, drawings or
quotes to help tell your story

If students are unable to or do not feel comfortable asking family members, they can chose a story from the Refugee Council of Australia Website.

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