



Using your imagination

Try reading this but **NOT** picturing the scene in your head.

The Grassy Meadow

The grassy meadow glows in the hazy sunshine of late afternoon. A gurgling river flowed gently through it. People sat, walked and played, enjoying the warm weather and the peaceful surroundings in their different ways. Trees, of all shapes and sizes, threw pools of shade across the grass. Insects flew amongst the wild flowers and birds sang in the leafy hedges.

Task 1

Get together with a friend or family member and read this text to them. You both have 1 minute to sketch the scene in as much detail. Do not look at each others sketch. After 1 minute, compare your sketches. Are they different?

Copy and paste the link below into YouTube. Listen to the story and try to imagine what's happening. Draw some of the images that you see in your head.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-k3FaUuwVS8>

Enid Blyton – The Magic Faraway Tree (9:39 long)

Discussion task

1. What is the story about?
2. How did it make you feel as it was being read?
3. How old are the children?
4. What do they look like?
5. What story writing features come across in the audio?
6. Would you like to visit the Magic Faraway Tree? Why?



Now that you have listen and discussed chapter one, watch the video below (10: 09 mins).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rd-ODI60vM>

Discussion task

1. Did you imagine a similar or very different setting?
2. Did the characters match your imagined description?
3. What was different and what was the same to your imagined setting?
4. Did you prefer listening to the story or watching it? Explain why?
5. If this book was in the classroom, would you want to read it? Explain why?
6. What have you learnt about using your imagination?

