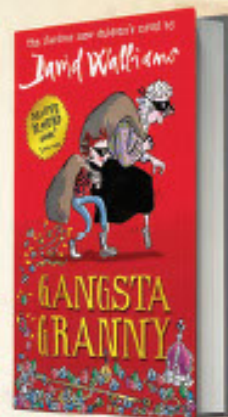


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He sure had an amazing story to tell
his grandchildren one day.



'The funeral was on Christmas Eve. Ben had never been to a funeral before. He thought it was bizarre. As the coffin lay at the front of the church, the mourners mumbled their way through unfamiliar hymns, and a vicar who had never met Granny made a tedious speech about her.

It wasn't the vicar's fault, but he could have been waffling on about any old lady who had just died. He went on in a dreary monotone about how she liked visiting old churches and was always kind to animals.

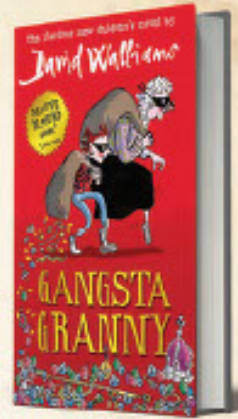
Ben wanted to shout out. He wanted to tell everyone, his mum and dad, his uncles and aunts, everyone there about what an incredible granny she was. How she told the most amazing stories.'

Can you tell everyone about Ben's Granny? Don't forget to include her love of cabbage, scrabble, Murray Mints and, of course, The Queen.

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"I must Google him," said Ben.



"Do you know what happened to the last man who attempted to steal the Crown Jewels?" enquired the Queen.

"Was he hung, drawn and quartered?" asked Ben excitedly.

"Believe it or not he was pardoned," said the Queen with a wry smile...

"In 1671, an Irishman by the name of Colonel Blood tried to steal them, but was caught by the guards as he tried to escape. He hid this very crown I am wearing now under his cloak and dropped it on the ground just outside. King Charles II was so amused by Colonel Blood's daring attempt that he set him free."

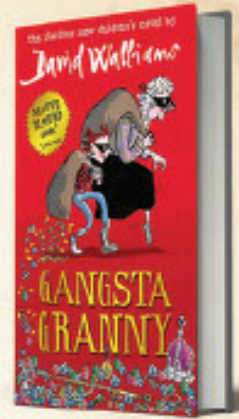
"I must Google him," said Ben.

Can you Google Colonel Blood? What can you find out about him?

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Quiz



1. What is the name of Ben's mum and dad's favourite TV show?
2. What is the name of the magazine Ben buys from Raj's shop?
3. What does Ben tell Mr Parker his granny is doing when he tries to come into the house?
4. What does Granny give the Beefeaters to make them go to sleep?
5. What is Granny's favourite sweet?
6. Which river do Ben and his granny swim across to get to the Tower?
7. Where does Granny tell PC Fudge they are going?
8. Where did Granny say she hid the ring that she stole from Lord and Lady Davenport?

Answers

1. Stitchy Starts Dancing
2. Plumbers' Weekly
3. Naked yoga
4. Chocolate cake with a herbal sleeping tonic in it.
5. Murray Mints
6. The Thames
7. To the Clingfilm Appreciation Society
8. She swallowed the ring.

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*"That ring was just the beginning
of a lifetime of crime."*



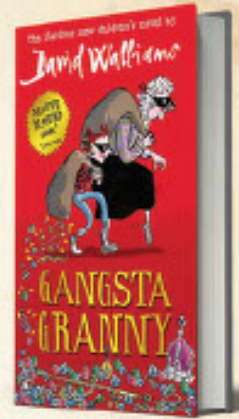
'Ben smiled broadly. He suddenly remembered how he had used to love his granny telling stories when he was younger, transporting him to a magical world. A world where you paint pictures in your mind that are more thrilling than all the movies or TV shows or video games in the universe.'

Can you write a thrilling story about a gangsta?

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The Black Cat Mobile



'It was a long way to London, especially on a motorised scooter with a top speed of three miles per hour (with two passengers)'

Can you design a new scooter for Granny, suitable to make a great getaway car for the Black Cat, International Jewel thief? Label the gadgets you have used, explain what they do and give your scooter a name.

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The Crime of the Century



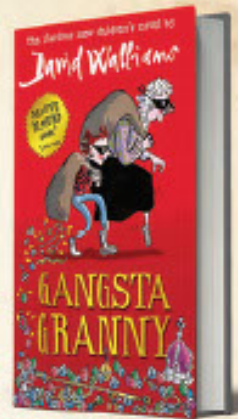
'The story of the theft of the Crown Jewels would be on the TV for weeks, on every website, and emblazoned across every front page of every newspaper in every country in the world. However, no one, but no one, would suspect the thieves were in fact a little old lady and an eleven-year-old boy. They were going to get away with the crime of the century!'

Imagine that Ben and his Granny had got away with the Crown Jewels. Can you write the article for the front page of the next morning's newspapers? Don't forget to include a headline, description of the theft and maybe a picture of the suspects. The article could include an interview with one of the Beefeaters. Did they hear or smell anything suspicious?

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The Love Bomb



'Ben had spent the whole of Sunday morning being measured up by Mum for his dance outfit. She had stayed up through the night, sketching possible designs...

Mum's hand-drawn options ranged all the way from the embarrassing to the humiliating...

There was:

The Woodland

Fruit Cocktail

Thunder and Lightening

Accident and Emergency

Ice and a Slice

The Hedgerow and Badger

The Quality Street

Eggs 'n' Bacon

Confetti

The Underwater World

Burning Love

Cheese and Pickle

The Solar System

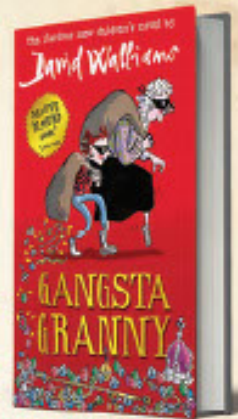
Piano Man

The Love Bomb'

What other silly outfits could you design for Ben?

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“Well Granny, are you in? Are you still a Gangsta?”

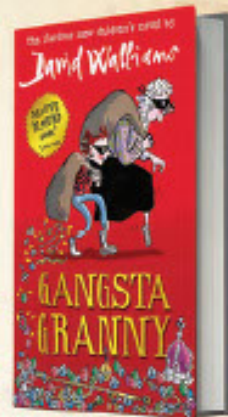
“I’ve found a weakness in the Tower of London. And I have spent all week working on a plan of how we can steal the jewels. I think we can really do it.”

“So, at the stroke of midnight we swim across the Thames in scuba-diving gear, and locate the ancient sewage pipe, here,” whispered Ben... “If we swim up the pipe we can get inside the Tower undetected,” continued Ben... “a short walk across the Courtyard to Jewel House... The door is solid steel, so we’ll drill out the locks to open it... the glass isn’t bomb proof. We’ll set off a small explosive device to shatter the glass... You need to board a train to London earlier in the day... give the Beefeater Guards chocolate cake with something in it to make them sleep... We should go out the way we came in, through the sewage pipe. It will be a doodle.”

Can you draw a cartoon strip, showing Ben and granny stealing the Crown Jewels?

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"Well once I started the lie grew bigger and bigger..."

"You are sweating. Have you been running?"

"No," replied a now very sweaty Ben.

"Ben, don't lie to me, I'm your Mother," she said, pointing at herself, a false nail flying off into the air in the process...

"If you haven't been out running, Ben, then why are you sweating?"

Ben had to think fast. The Strictly Stars Dancing theme tune was coming to an end.

"I was dancing!" he blurted out.

"But what about the diamonds you showed me?" said Ben, feeling shocked and angry that he'd been deceived.

"All worthless, dear," replied Granny. "Made of glass. I found them in an old ice-cream tub at the local charity shop."

... "I can't believe you lied to me!" he said...

"Well once I started, the lie grew and grew..."

Both Ben and his Granny tell an elaborate lie. Ben lies to his parents about being sweaty. As the lie grew he found himself dancing solo at the Town Hall in front of an audience and a panel of judges.

As Granny's lie grew about being a gangsta, she and Ben found themselves face to face with the Queen in the Tower of London trying to steal the Crown Jewels.

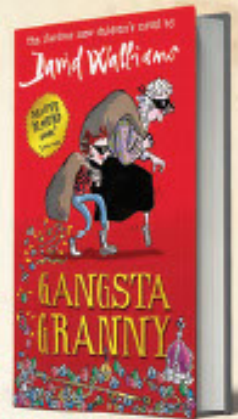
Have you ever told a lie that became bigger and bigger and more and more elaborate?

If not, try and think of the most ridiculous lie you can for why you might not have done your homework.

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