

HomeTalk

Thoughtful Conversations for Families
and Schools

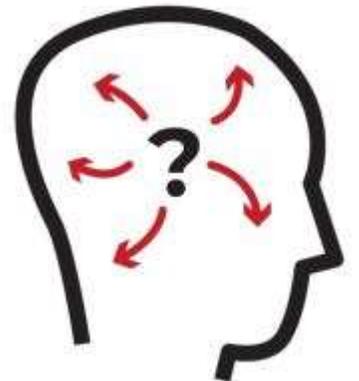
Week 19 - Change



Note to parents/carers and teachers

This pack contains links to external websites. Whilst we take every care to make sure these are suitable, you may want to check the content before showing them to children

Thinking
Moves



This week's focus is change

I have noticed even people who claim everything is predestined, and that we can do nothing to change it, look before they cross the road.



Stephen Hawking - scientist

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We must all obey the great law of change. It is the most powerful law of nature.

Edmund Burke – statesman and philosopher

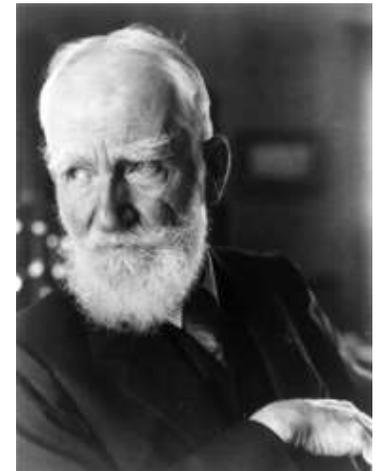
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Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.

George Bernard Shaw - playwright

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Caring thinking

- Are there some kinds of change that we should care about more than others?

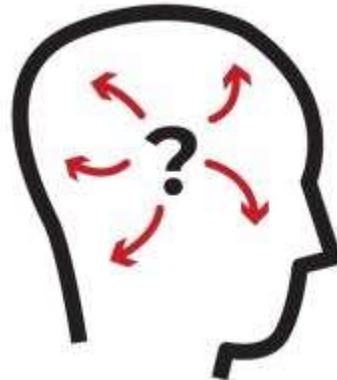


Collaborative thinking

- Would you change your mind if you heard a more convincing argument?

Creative thinking

- Can anything *totally* change, or does it always have some connection with before?



Thinking Moves

Critical thinking

- After thinking about this edition of HomeTalk, what questions do you have about change? Or what could you conclude about it?

Thinking Moves



Think AHEAD

What changes do you think might be coming?



Think BACK

What have been the biggest changes this year?



CONNECT

Even if you change, are you always the same person?



DIVIDE

List the different changes you've experienced



LISTEN/LOOK

At changes taking place as we go into Autumn



ZOOM (in/out)

On tiny changes around you

On changes the world is experiencing

HomeTalk discussion suggestions

For age 3 – 5 years



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UG-Q2ZL3w_Y

The Cautious Caterpillar by Twinkl

Cody the caterpillar isn't so sure about the changes everyone says will be so good for her. She likes things how they are!

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-l-526204-the-cautious-caterpillar-story-powerpoint>

Talking Points

- Why do you think Cody wanted to stay the same?
- Which would you rather be – a caterpillar or a butterfly?
- Are there some changes you can do something about and some you can't?

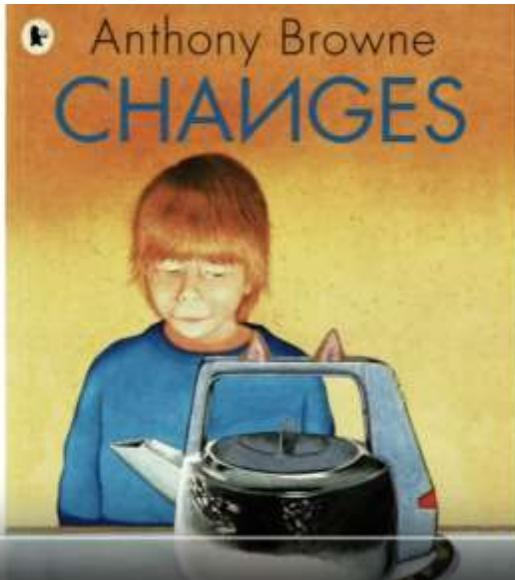
Activity

- Look at butterfly photos with an adult and paint your favourite. Here's how:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CL2WH3JuZiE>

HomeTalk discussion suggestions

For ages 6 - 9



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

Changes – Anthony Browne. Joseph Kaye began noticing all kinds of changes around him. His father said that everything was about to change – was this what he meant?

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Changes-Anthony-Browne/dp/1406313394>

Talking Points

- How many different animals did you spot in the books?
- What was the biggest change for Joseph?
- What things could you find in your home or school that you think could change for the better?

Activity

- Look around your home for examples of things that have changed.
- Can you find anything that is *exactly* the same as the day before?

HomeTalk discussion suggestions

For age 10+ years



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eeYzL5DhUVM>

A very powerful film about ways in which humans have changed the world, with a message that it's time to change it again. The video is a montage of Edward Burtynsky's photos: <https://www.edwardburtynsky.com>

Talking Points

- Which do you think is the worst example in the video of man's influence on the world?
- Do you think any of the examples are justifiable?
- Do any of the photos CONNECT with the life you lead?
- How many tyres do you think are in the tyre mountain photos?
- Could you suggest any better ways to do things for any (or all) of the examples?
- Think AHEAD – what changes would you like to see in the world?

HomeTalk discussion suggestions

Change during COVID-19

- We've looked at different kinds of changes in this edition of HomeTalk.
- Many people have experienced changes this year that they could not have predicted last year.
- Talk together and discuss whether any of the changes that have been forced upon us all have had positive outcomes.
- Think BACK and AHEAD – which of the changes might you like to keep and which would you prefer not to?
- What are the key lessons you think we might have learned from the global pandemic?

Further ideas

- <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/cco-childrens-guide-to-coronavirus.pdf> - published at the early stages of the outbreak but lots of great activities
- Artists such as Grayson Perry, Antony Gormley and many others have collaborated to create activity packs called *Art is where the home is*: <https://firstsite.uk/art-is-where-the-home-is/> You will need to sign up but it's free.
- A fantastic collection from NASA of videos, activities and information about climate change: https://climate.nasa.gov/climate_resource_center/earthminute

More ideas.....

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