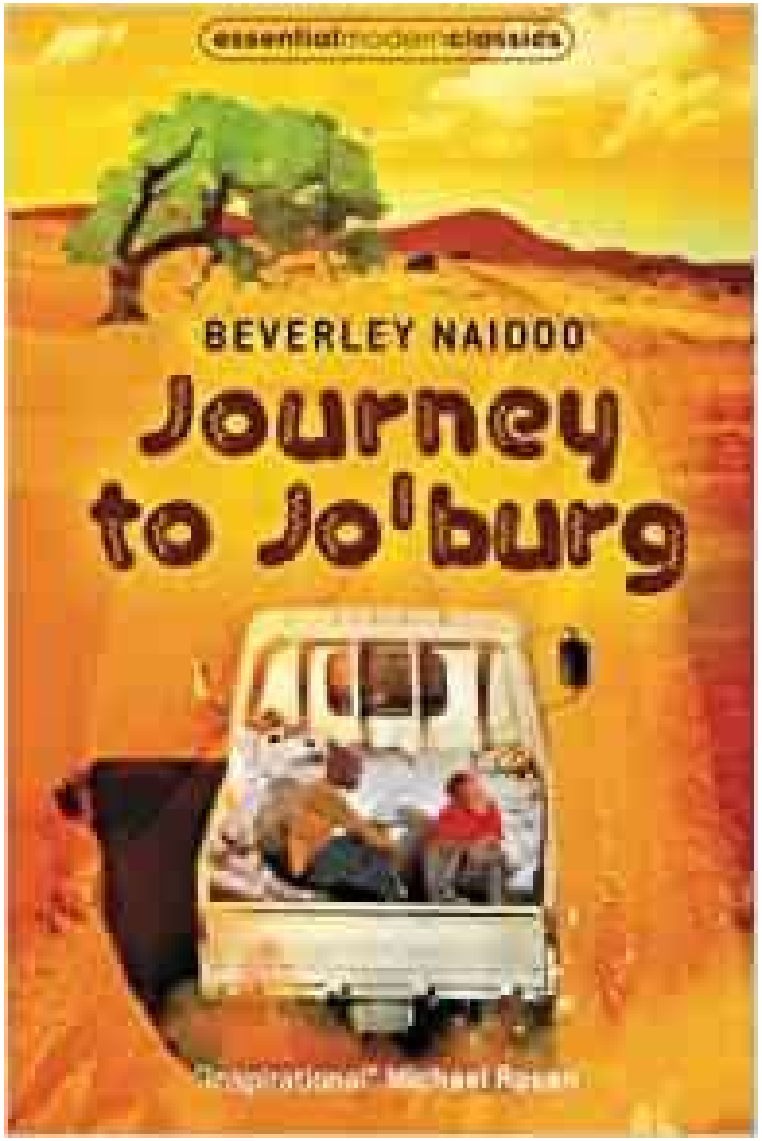
YEAR 5 SUMMER TERM: JOURNEY TO JO'BURG by BEVERLEY NAIDOO



Concepts and Values: courage, resilience, friendship, apartheid, prejudice, discrimination, home and belonging

Pupils will immediately be exposed to a drastically different time and culture which will ignite many questions about how others experience very different lives.

The text opens up an opportunity to discuss apartheid. Using the story, pupils will be able to learn and discuss what it was like to live as a black person, in South Africa, during this time. Deeper questioning will be used to ask whether conditions have improved now, making links to current affairs – or whether we still have a long way to go?

Throughout the whole story, the character Naledi, will ensure that the theme of resilience is never far away. Being a strong theme at Beehive Lane, the children will be familiar will this value, but we will discuss the differences in what drives our resilience.

Deepening our understanding of resilience, we will learn how this can be heavily linked to bravery, particularly in the case of Naledi and her friend Grace. In our lives, we all need to be resilient but would the resilience we have to show ever have the possible consequences of our characters?

Finally, we will end our discussions on the theme of hope for the future. Our characters had hopes -were they realistic?