

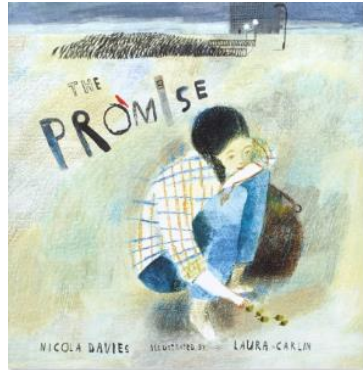
Art Knowledge Organiser Year 4 - Term 1

Storytelling Through Drawing

Artists and their work.

Laura Carlin

Laura Carlin grew up in London and works as an illustrator and author. She is best known for her imaginative picture books, which use expressive drawing, texture and colour to explore emotions, atmosphere and the world around us.



Oliver Jeffers

Oliver Jeffers grew up in Northern Ireland and now lives and works in Brooklyn, New York. He is an artist, illustrator and writer, best known for his imaginative picture books, which combine playful illustrations with thoughtful stories about friendship, family and the world around us.



This term, we will explore how illustrators use drawing, colour, composition and mixed media to tell stories through illustrations. Children will compare the work of Laura Carlin and Oliver Jeffers, exploring how they use different styles and techniques to communicate character, atmosphere and emotion. During this topic we will...

- Create sketchbooks to experiment with drawing, collage, colour and mixed media, recording and developing their ideas.
- Explore facial expressions, body positions, composition and storyboards to communicate characters and narratives.
- Combine different media and techniques to create illustrations that tell a story.
- Know about the work of illustrators Laura Carlin and Oliver Jeffers and how they communicate stories through art.

Key Vocabulary

Illustrator	An illustrator is an artist who draws the pictures in books.
Illustration	A visualisation made by an artist to explain information.
Graphic Novel	A book that tells a complete story; mainly through images.
Interpretation	The interpretation of art occurs when the elements of the work are analysed by the viewer.
Poetry	Literary work in which the expression of feelings and ideas is given intensity through the use of distinctive style and rhythm.
Line	Line is the mark made using a drawing tool or brush. Lines can be used to define shapes and figures but also to show motion.
Line weight	Line weight refers to the thickness or thinness of a line.
Medium	The term for the material used to create artwork. The medium chosen can contribute to the meaning of the work.
Composition	The elements of shape among various other elements that make up a work of art.
Sequencing	Art forms that use images in a specific order for the purpose of graphic storytelling.
Visual Literacy	The ability to read, write and create visual images. Visual literacy is about language, communication and interaction.
Narrative Art	Art that tells a story; either as a moment or as a sequence of events unfolding over time.

**How does Laura Carlin create
atmosphere and emotion through
illustration?**

**How does Oliver Jeffers tell stories
through simple illustrations?**

**How can I use drawing, colour and
composition to communicate a story?**

**How can I combine different media to
create an illustration that tells a story?**