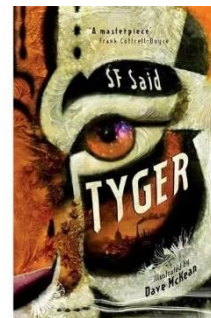


The Children's Bookshow

We hope you have enjoyed [The Children's Bookshow](#) with SF Said. Have a go at some of these creative activities inspired by *Tyger* and send us your work. We would love to see it!



Explore

- Read William Blake's poem *Tyger*, from which SF Said drew his inspiration for this book. How many references to the poem can you spot as you read the story?
- Find out about the history of the British Empire: why it started, how it grew and how it came to an end.
- Visit websites such as BBC Bitesize and CBBC Newsround to read, watch and listen to some first-person accounts of enslavement.



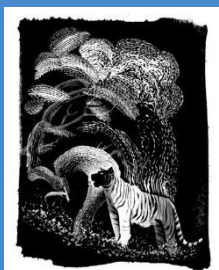
Draw

- Create a symmetrical portrait of the *Tyger*, like the one by illustrator Dave McKean on the book's cover. Fold an A4 piece of paper in half and re-open it. Paint half the head onto one side, then fold and press down to print the image onto the other side.
- Draw and paint a silhouetted skyline of London against a burning sky (page 225).
- Choose a scene from the story and illustrate it in the style of Dave McKean.



Create

- Create an illustrated map of London, adding the main locations, landmarks and scenes from the story.
- Make the doors of perception, imagination and creation out of folded card. Behind each door, draw your own interpretations of what lies beyond.
- Choose a scene from the story and create a 3D story setting in a shoebox using your choice of modelling materials: clay, junk, Lego, fabrics or collage.



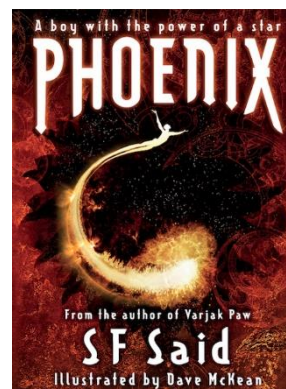
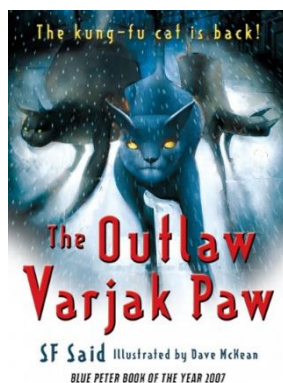
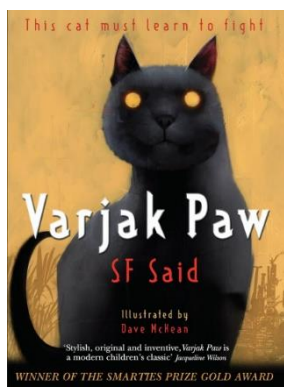
Write

- Read all about tigers and why they are an endangered species at www.wwf.org.uk/learn/fascinating-facts/tigers. Write a fact file to share what you have found out.
- Write your own poem about *Tyger*, taking inspiration from SF Said's vivid descriptions and Dave McKean's striking illustrations.
- The book is narrated from Adam's point of view. Choose a chapter and rewrite it from another character's point of view, perhaps Zadie, Maldehyde or the *Tyger*.

Further Activities to Try

1. Watch and listen to SF Said talking about the inspiration behind Tiger
https://youtu.be/BJtDw4n_H_Q.
2. Use Google Earth to explore London and virtually visit the locations featured in the story.
3. Watch some nature programmes about tigers to find out more about this amazing creature and why it is in danger of extinction.
4. Investigate the history of Tyburn and Ossulstone and find out which famous landmark stands there today.
5. Visit www.thechildrensbookshow.com/artists to explore our other featured authors and illustrators and discover lots of recommended reads and more creative activities to try.

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