

Lamont Books Standing Order

September 2014

Teacher Notes and Activities

Howzat!

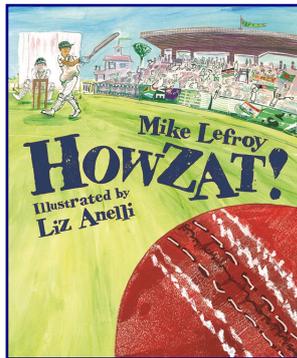
By Mike Lefroy & Illustrated by Liz Anelli

Publisher: Walker Books

ISBN 9781922077646

\$24.95

Kids all over the world play cricket. Follow their game all around the globe. Whack! There's a sound in the blue summer sky. The sun's coming out, as the ball soars high.



Themes:

- Cricket
- Countries
- Cultures

Discussion Points & Activities:

- Just looking at the cover, what do you think the book might be about? What clues are there?
- Have you heard the word "Howzat"? Do you know what sport it comes from? Do you know what it means?
- Looking at the page that has the map of the world on it and the flags, can you name all of these countries? As you read through the book, see which countries the cricket game goes through.
- What do you know about cricket? Do you enjoy watching it?
- Do you play it? If so, do you enjoy it?
- Why do so many people play sport?
- What factors determine what sport you play? Does where you live in the world impact on this? Explain.
- Why are some sports more predominant in some countries than in others? What influences this?
- Cricket is played on different surfaces. Can you name some?
- This story takes you around the world. As a class, study each page and identify all of the things that might identify where it is. Pay really close attention!
- Cricket is often talked about as having 'a proud tradition'. What does this mean? Can you think of any other sports that might have a 'proud tradition'?
- Cricket has some very unusual words and terms. Brainstorm all the ones that you have heard. If you don't now what they mean, see if you can find out.
- Choose your favourite sporting personality/hero. Present to the class, in any form that you choose, interesting facts about that person, including why they chose to play their sport. Include a photo and information about their past.
- Have a fun game of cricket with your class.