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Teacher Notes and Activities

Calpepper's Place

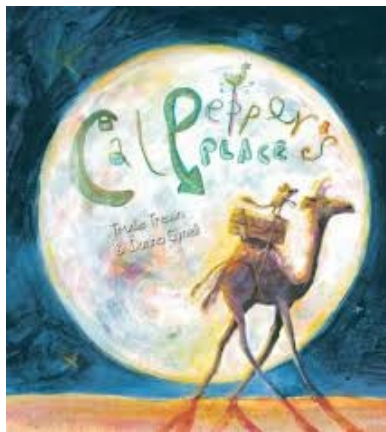
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Calpepper has had enough of plodding through the hot desert sand. He wants excitement, and far away places ... Will a bus bound for adventure take him to the perfect place?



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Before Reading

- What do the cover and the title tell you about what this story may be about?
- Who do you think Calpepper is?
- What clues do you get from the details on the front as to what may happen in the story?
- What clues do you get from the endpapers?

After reading

- What do you think the main themes of the book are?
- Why do you think Calpepper leaves his home in the first place?
- What do you think he learns on his journey?

Writing

- Imagine you are Calpepper and write postcards back to your family from each place you visit.
- Throughout the book Calpepper encounters very different environments. Can you think of some adjectives to describe each of the environments? Perhaps you can come up with short poems that describe each of them.

Art

- Choose one of the environments that Calpepper visits and then use appropriate collage to do an illustration. For example, sand for the desert, cotton wool for the snow.
- Using a box and paint make your own class bus bound for adventure.
- On a map of Australia, plot where Calpepper may have travelled, drawing in the different environments.

Further reading/ reading corner

- What other books can you find that deal with a similar theme?
- Devote your reading corner to the different environments that Calpepper visits. You may have a desert week, where all the books relate to the desert, or a city week where all the books are set in the city and so on.