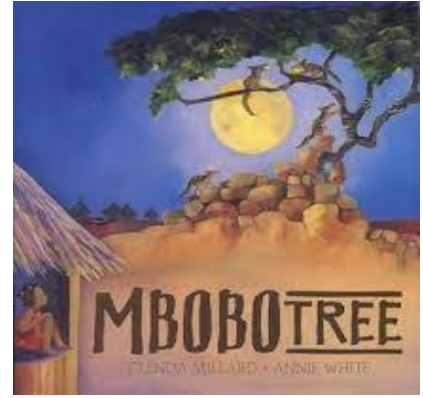


Mbobo Tree

The Mbobo Tree is about a girl named Tiranamba Adesimbo Mbobo, who as a baby was found in a sling in the tree. The villagers raised her and watched her grow. She helped collect fruit, spied jackals feeding in its branches and watched bees sip the nectar. Tiranamba was silent until the moment the tree is threatened.



What comprehension strategies can be used with this book?

Making Connections

Making connections means to find links between what you are reading and your personal experiences, other texts and the world.

Possible questions to ask my child:

Text to world

- Can you think of any other children or people who have done great things to save or protect our natural environment?
- Discuss reasons for protecting significant trees and actions that can be taken.

Text to text

- Does the cover remind of another story? If so, explain the similarities?

Text to self

- Explain how this text is different to your own life.
- What memories come to mind when you read this text?



Questioning

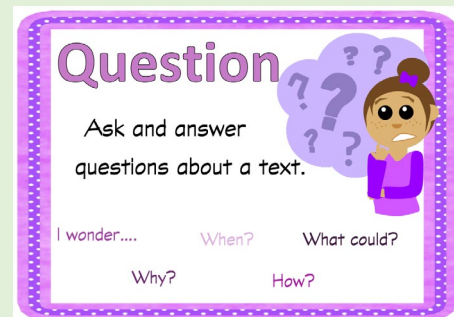
When we question, we ask and answer questions about a text. We ask questions to help us better understand what is happening.

Questions to ask your child:

- Why do you think the tree is significant to the villagers?
- What events lead to Tiranamba finding her voice?

Reread the three pages of *The Mbobo Tree* showing the man with his axe to the girl hugging the tree.

- Why does the man want to cut down the tree?
- How does Tiranamba react?
- How are their perspectives represented visually?



- 'Mbobo Tree' is available to borrow from the CPS Library.

For further support and resources, visit <https://cronulla-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>