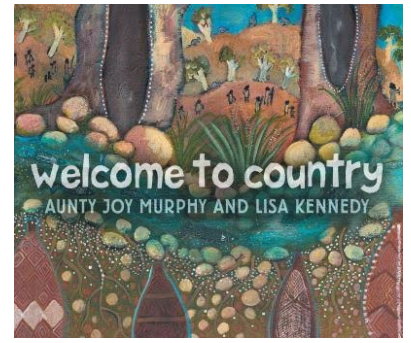


The book *Welcome to country* is about the celebration of Indigenous land and culture and takes you through the Wominjeka (welcome) ceremony which give yannabil (visitors) permission to enter traditional lands.



What comprehension strategies can be used with this book?

Compare and Contrast

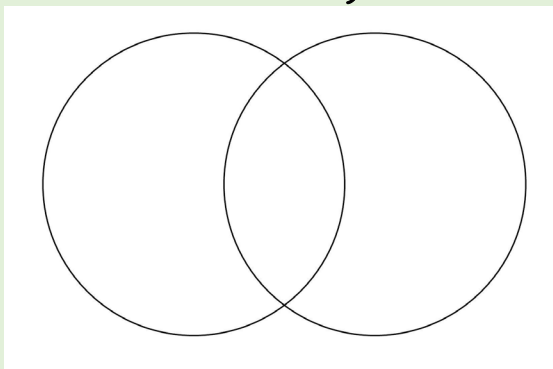
Compare and contrast is a strategy that is used to think critically about a text or texts. Comparing is when we highlight the similarities and differences between texts or topics. Contrasting is only looking at the differences. This is usually done using a venn diagram.

Possible activities

Using a venn diagram, compare and contrast the Welcome to country described in the book and a tradition that you and your family has.

Read the book 'Welcome to country' and then watch the video on [Acknowledgement of country](#), using a venn diagram, compare and contrast the similarities and differences between a welcome to country and an acknowledgement to country.

Venn Diagram



Inferencing

Inferencing is where the background knowledge of the reader and the clues from the text are used to infer meaning and make a conclusion about different aspects of a text e.g., characters, settings, a character's motives.

Questions to support the development of inferencing

- Why are teachers often referred to by their surname, plus the title Mr, Miss or Ms?
- Why are elders important in Aboriginal culture?
- Look at the end pages. From what you know about Aboriginal culture and artwork, what do you think the image means?
- Why has the illustrator included transparent images of animals and plants on the double page spread? (double-page spread 6)

To help support the development of inferencing, the table below may be used to help support this.

Question:		
Clues in the text	Background knowledge	Using the clues and background knowledge I infer....

*'Welcome to Country' is available to borrow from the CPS Library and on storybox <https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/>.

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