



Annunciation Catholic Junior School
 KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER
 YEAR 5 - The Princess' Blankets by Carol Ann Duffy



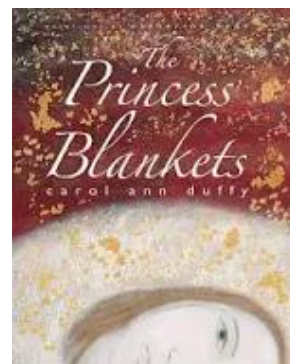
Important Information

Plot

A princess cannot get warm, no matter what. A stranger brings her the earth's blanket, the forest's blanket, the ocean's blanket and more, but nothing can warm the princess. One day, a musician wanders into the land, and her heart melts.

Setting

The Kingdom



Characters

The Princess Grandmother Citizens The King

Key Vocabulary

	Definition
Remonstrate	To make a strong complaint
Embroidered	decorated with patterns sewn on with thread
Narrative	A written account of connected events
Character	A person or other being in a narrative
Fairy tale	a children's story about magical and imaginary beings and lands
Lyrical	expressing the writer's emotions in an imaginative and beautiful way

Prior Knowledge

In year 4, pupils increased familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally.

Context

The Princess' Blankets is a modern narrative that takes the form of a fairy tale.

Carol Ann Duffy is a Scottish playwright and poet.

Duffy is both serious and humorous, often writing in a mischievous, playful style.

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Trust: The Princess learns that trusting herself is the only way to overcome fear and hardship.

Love: True happiness comes from trusting in yourself and loving those around you with all your heart.

Journey: Throughout this story, the Princess embarks on finding true happiness.

Bravery: The Princess learns that even when faced with danger, she must conquer her fears and be brave to find true joy.

Sacrifice: To achieve true happiness, the Princess must give up her prized possessions for the sake of others.