

10. Wrecking Resources Jane Darke 2015

Creative Writing Ideas

Story Starters

- Choose a piece of wreck, from the booty bag or something you have found and tell its story. Explain where it came from and describe the series of events that led to it being in the ocean. Describe its journey and what happened to it when it eventually got washed up.
- Imagine you find a seed on the beach and plant it. What does it grow into? What are the size, colour and texture of its leaves, flowers and fruit? What does it smell like? What sort of creatures does it attract? What is it called?
- Nick finds a tin of sherbet on the beach. Imagine you found a tin on the beach. What is inside? Is it precious? Is it a machine? Is it old? Is it a message? Is it a game? Now what do you do with it? Do you find out who it belonged to?
- Imagine you shrink to the size of a sand hopper. What would you find along the strandline? Slippery mountains of plastic, grungy forests of rotting seaweed, dangerous broken glass and giant tangles of fishing line. Describe your adventure through strandline world, which creatures do you meet, what perils will you have to face.
- The Gulf Stream is a powerful current. Imagine you were in a small boat swept along by the current. Perhaps you get stranded or shipwrecked on one of the countries the Gulf Stream passes. Describe the country you land up in, you will need to do some research in order to understand the geography and culture of the land you end up in.

