

Dear Diary



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Quick Questions



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Pupils' own responses, such as: the lightest blue; sky blue; or icy blue.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Asiya said she felt proud because she was wearing her hijab for the first time and it made her feel special when she put it on.