

Hi there Year 6!

So, here we are again! We've put together a couple of things for you to be getting on with today.

English: Refugees poem:

We'd like you to have a go at writing your own version of the "reverse" poem we did in class. Here is the original...

Refugees

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different hand
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers and scroungers
Layabouts and loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut-throats and thieves
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
Go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These are people just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way

(now read from bottom to top)

Brian Bilston

We'd like you to have a go at doing your own version of this based on the format. For today we'd like you to make it about refugees, like the original. If you fill in these gaps, you should be able to make it read differently both ways, like the original.

So have a go at filling in the missing lines on the text model below to see if you can make your own “reverse” poem. Think about some of the negative perceptions people have about refugees to help you (as in the original poem), for example some people think they...

Had easy life
Steal our benefits and health service
Just after money and hand-outs
Going to flood country and overpopulate
Should go back to where they came from

Text model to fill in:

Fill the blank lines with negative things which SHOULD read the opposite when read the other way!

Do not tell me.....

They are not.....

They cannot

Instead let us

It is not okay to say

Do not be so stupid as to think that
The world can be looked at another way.

You could type it up on a device, write and present it neatly or type it into a Purple Mash email. We’d love to see your finished poems sent to us via Purple Mash email.

