

Able to demonstrate what I have read, talking about characters, events and settings and answer a range of questions about the text.

Recognise that texts and books are structured in different ways and discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest. I can understand and explain the meaning of words in context.

Able to understand what I have read by asking questions, retrieving and recording facts, drawing inferences and identifying how language and structure contribute to meaning.

Star vocabulary

Taliban- the ruling party in Afghanistan who were cruel

Dari- one of the 2 main languages spoken in Afghanistan

Soviets- Included Russian and other countries

Nan- Afghan flatbread

Toshak- mattress

Burqa- a long garment which covered the body from head to toe

Examples of:

A Trinket



A Shalwar Kameez



Afghanistan's location:



Afghanistan is located in Central Asian with Iran to the west and Pakistan to the east. It has tall mountains and dry deserts covering its landscape.

Genre

Fiction

Author



Deborah Ellis was born Ontario, Canada in 1960.

Ellis is an anti-war activist and has written many children's books which reflect this.

She travelled to Afghanistan in 1997 to interview women in refugee camps and

The Breadwinner was inspired by an interview with a mother she met there.

Context

The Breadwinner takes place in **Taliban-era Afghanistan (1996-2001, also 2012-present)** in the city of **Kabul**.

Kabul is the capitol of Afghanistan and is also the largest city in the country. During the hard-line Taliban regime, Kabul became a **ruined city**, most **infrastructure was already destroyed**, many residents had long left, **poverty levels were high** and there was **little to no education or public services**.

Other activist movements:

Environment



Black Lives Matter



Peace



Key characters

- Parvana.
- Father.
- Mother.
- Nooria.
- Mrs. Weera.
- Shauzia.
- Ali and Maryam.
- Hossain.