



Princess Blankets by Carol Ann Duffy

The themes we are focusing on in this book are time, change and relationships.

Throughout this book, we will explore how **change and time** affected the princess before the blankets were placed on her, during the time she was swamped by them and after when the musician released her from them. It also focuses on relationships, showing that acting with kindness and not forcing friendships or relationships will enable them to work better and more effectively.

Plot

A princess lived once, who was always cold. No matter what people did she could never get warm. A stranger arrived and said she could warm the princess by using blankets based on how cold she felt. These blankets made her feel smothered and swamped. A musician came later and wanted to help the princess feel warm and was willing to try to undo the magic done by the terrible stranger.

Key Vocabulary

remonstrated

arrogant

coarse

shroud

bleak

arid

shawls

escorted

Key Characters

Princess

Stranger

Musician

