

# Diversity & Representation and Character Design

KS1-KS2

With illustrator Dapo Adeola

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**Twilight CPD:** When children are given opportunities to draw as part of the writing process this helps them to formulate, develop and extend ideas for writing, making their independent, self-initiated writing richer. During this workshop Dapo will be explaining the importance of diverse representation in the literature children are given as well as breaking down his process when creating characters for books into simple condensed steps. Dapo will guide you through the process of bringing a character of your own to life, an activity which you can repeat with your students in the classroom, giving them (and you) confidence to create vivid stories through character design.



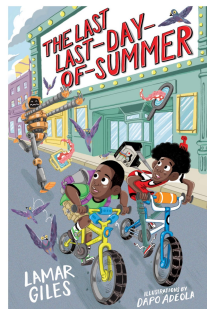
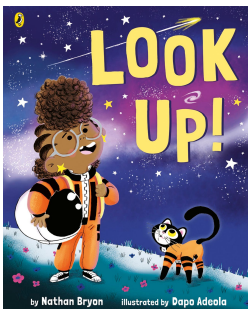
- + **Half Day:** Produce your own character narrative visual reference mood board using images from various magazines. Guidance on how to further explore this with the pupils in your class as a character/story development exercise.
- + **Full Day:** Explore the various characters that can be created using this process, planning an avatar project with your class that allows them to create images of characters that accurately describe/represent them that can be shared on a class board for all to see. As well as developing possible storylines for the characters they create that can be further explored through writing.

## Learning Outcomes

- Gaining an understanding of the importance and impact of accurate and diverse visual representation
- Developing understanding of how visual language is used for effect on the reader
- Developing understanding of character development, and how to start narrative writing with character design.

## Books by Dapo Adeola

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