

Read and Understand

At the beginning of the story the Thomas family are dreaming about their Christmas presents.

What are Nicky, Debbie and Mr Thomas dreaming about?
What is Mog dreaming about?

Infer What's Not There

How is Mog feeling at the beginning of the advert?
How does Mog feel at the end of the advert?

How does the music help explain Mog's feelings?

Big Talk

Reflect and Respond

Is the title, 'Mog's Christmas Calamity' a good choice to summarise the story?
What technique has the author used in the title?
Create an alternative title, you can use poetic devices to help you.

Create Something Great

Create a Drama improvisation about your own Christmas calamity.

Does someone unexpected visit?
How do you react?
Did things happen that shouldn't have occurred.

Reflective ★ Reading

Text: "Mog's Christmas Calamity"
Sainsbury's Advert

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kURn2S7iPNU>

Infer What's Not There

What is the message of 'Mog's Christmas Calamity'?
What evidence in the clip tells us that this is the main message?
Discuss and explain your ideas with your thinking partner.

Create Something Great

At the end of the advert Mog is enjoying a hardboiled egg, but what happens next? Create a comic strip showing what happens next to Mog.

Does Mog have a relaxing Christmas or does more mayhem occur?

Reflect and Respond

Compare the film clip of 'Mog's Christmas Calamity' with Judith Kerr's picture book. Does this book work well as a short film?

Big Talk

Connect 4

At the end of the advert we are told that Sainsbury's are supporting child literacy with Save the Children.

Use the internet to investigate what Save the Children do. Create a short summary of their work to share with the class.