

Identity Pack Session: The Skin I'm In

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Learning Objectives

- To examine how skin colour and appearance are part of identity but do not tell the whole story about an individual
- To investigate the diversity existing within our group

Learning Outcomes

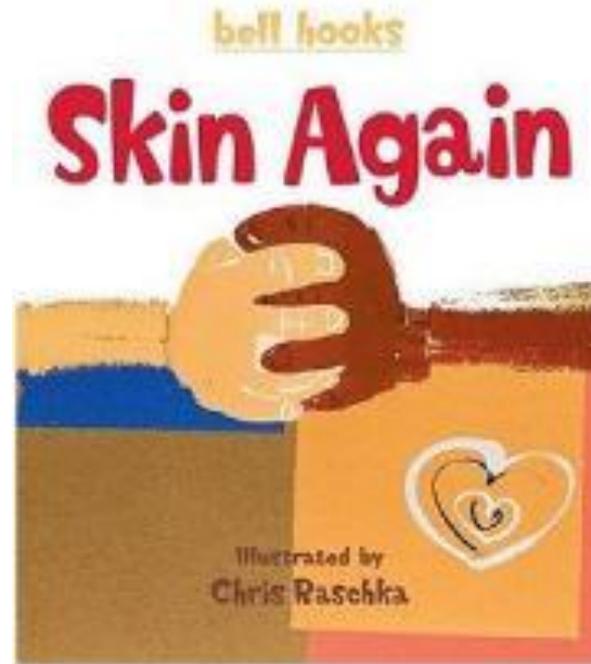
I can assess and discuss my own and other people's appearance and other aspects of identity.

Starter: Change Places

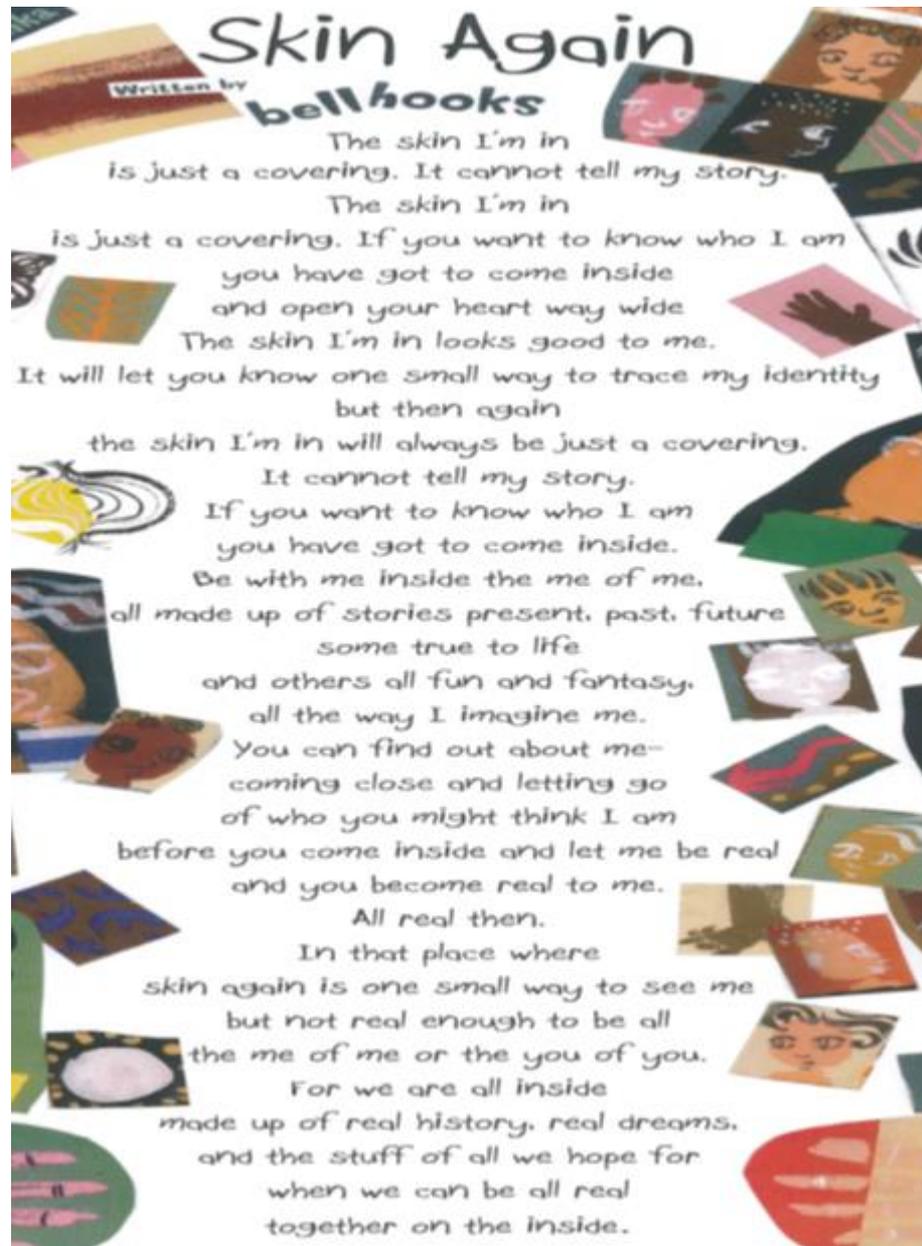
Stand in a circle and then change places if you answer "Yes" or "True" to the statement.

1. Did you notice anything you had in common with another person?
2. Did you notice anything different between you and another person?
3. Can you explain what unique means?
4. Was there anything unique to just you?

Main Activity



What do you think this book is about?



Discussion

In pairs or groups, discuss these questions:

- What does the author mean by “Skin is just a covering”?
- How would you describe your skin?
- Can our skin colour tell other people a lot about us?
- How do we let others know who we really are/what we are really like?

Plenary

What else is important to us?

Extension Task or the



The Linking
Network

Main Activity

The Skin I'm In

Write your own versions of the poem.

You could use ideas from your discussion.

The Skin I'm In

The skin I'm in
Does not tell my story
But it only tells you
One thing which is
You can guess my religion
But you might be wrong

The skin I'm in
On the outside
You will see light brown skin
Brown eyes
Black short hair
Wearing clothes
And black eyebrows

I am a good person
If you want to know
My true story
You have to come inside
And open your heart way wide

I love my skin colour
And people can not
Judge me by my colour
But they can judge
By my actions

By Bilal

The Skin I'm In

The skin I'm in
Is just a covering
The skin I'm in
Is not what I am
I'm sometimes cheeky
I'm sometimes kind
But you never know what I am

The skin I'm in
Is just a covering
I'm not a Muslim nor Christian
I like Gun's and Roses
And also AC DC
There are people I like
And some people I don't like

The skin I'm in
Is just a covering
I am short and fast
I like holidays and cricket
I like Billie-Jo and being with friends

By Noah