

Notes for teachers

National curriculum links

- Literacy
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About this session

Students look at African objects on display in the galleries (Room 25), handle objects and explore books and storytelling before writing their own ending to the shared story.

Location Clore Centre for Education and galleries (Room 25)

Format group work and object handling

Capacity 32

Duration 180 minutes including a 30-minute lunch break

Price £60

In detail

- The session begins with an introduction to books, stories and storytelling. Students discuss the vocabulary used to describe a book such as spine, cover, author, illustration. They consider the technique of storytelling and share a big book version of Emeka's Gift.
- The students handle some museum objects from Africa which relate to the story.
- The students then go to the Africa Gallery (Room 25) where they work in small groups collecting inspiration from the objects on display.
- Back in the Clore Centre for Education classroom the students work on their own ending for the story and present this to the whole class.
- There is a 30-minute lunch break during the session. All work created by the students will be available to take back to school.

Before your visit

- Introduce/revise the key themes and vocabulary listed in this document.
- Look at an atlas and see how many countries make up the continent of Africa. What are some of the countries called? Do the students know about any of them?

After your visit

- Each student could write their own story featuring objects from Africa.
- Using pictures of objects make your own African gallery display. Remember to say which country each object comes from.
- Visit/join the local public library.

Find out more

- More [EYFS and KS1 sessions](#)
- Related galleries: 25
- Take a look at the galleries with [Google Street View](#)
- Search the [collection online](#)

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You can print this summary sheet and take it with you during your visit.

Learning objectives

- To identify the different parts of a book
- To learn about a story set in Africa
- To discover objects from Africa

Key words

Africa

Book

Cover

Spine

Page

Text

Picture

Story

Title

Author

Character

Museum

Object

An African story

- The students discuss books and what words are used to help describe the different parts of a book.
- The students learn about stories and story telling.
- The students listen to *Emeka's Gift*.

Objects from Africa

- The students handle some museum objects from Africa related to the themes covered in *Emeka's Gift*.
- The students visit the Africa Gallery to look for inspiration for writing their own gift-giving ending to the story *Emeka's Gift*.

The end of the story

- The students discuss the objects they saw in the gallery.
- The students create and share their own ending for *Emeka's Gift*.