

KEY FACTS

WHAT IS A REFUGEE?

A refugee is a person who has been forced to leave their country because they fear they may be punished or mistreated due to their race, religion, opinions or because of where they are from.

WHAT IS AN ASYLUM-SEEKER?

An asylum seeker is someone who has had to leave their home country to find safety and is waiting to find out if the government will grant them permission to stay.

DID YOU KNOW...

Less than 1% of the UK population are asylum seekers and refugees.

↓ 1% UK population

Asylum seekers do not get a flat when they arrive, they often have to live in hostels and shared houses with lots of other people.



Asylum seekers cannot work when they arrive in the UK, they are forced to live off £37.75 per week. This money must pay for all their day to day living costs such as food, toiletries, clothes, mobile phone and travel.

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Over 1/2 of all Refugees in the world are children just like you.



1 person every two seconds is forced to move to a different country because of war and mistreatment in their home country.

HELP THEM FEEL AT HOME

The animated poem you are about to watch is called 'Help Them Feel At Home', it tells the story of a young refugee named Sana and a toy dinosaur named Dino and their difficult journey to find safety in the UK.

It has been created by Kazzum and written by Arji Manuelpillai, Aminat Odusoga and Titilope Odusoga, inspired by the experiences of young people engaging in our Pathways programme.

Click below to watch this animation before you start the exercises in this resource pack.



Now turn over for the poem text and to get started on the activities...

"Imagination is more important than knowledge." Albert Einstein

We live in uncertain times. The climate crisis, political division, rapid technological change and ongoing conflicts around the world mean the future is unclear, not least for people on the move.

This Refugee Week (15 – 21 June 2020), we're inviting you to explore the theme of 'Imagine'.

Because when things feel stuck; when the old ways of doing things are no longer working, that's what we need to do.

In the era of Covid-19, the call to imagine feels more important than ever.

'To imagine' means to picture something you can't currently see. To step beyond the current moment, and perceive something different. Rather than being a flight away from reality, imagination is sometimes the best response to it – the only way to get us somewhere new.

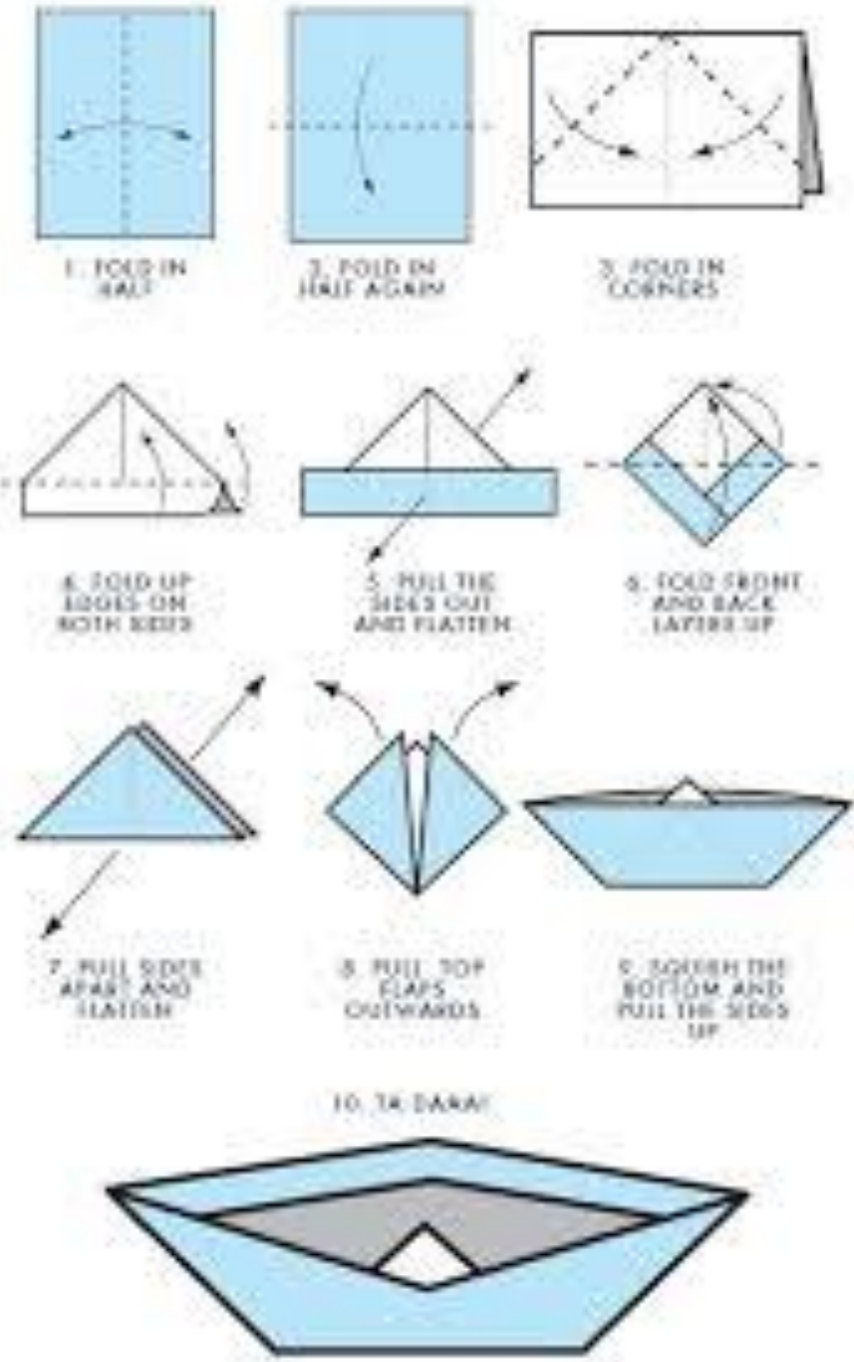
Maybe you'll imagine a future where we've found new ways to care for our planet, transcend borders or protect human life.

Or perhaps you'll imagine what it's like to have to leave your family behind, or what your hometown might look like to someone walking its streets for the first time.

Task 1 – 8 simple Acts

Follow the link to see what simple Acts you could take. <https://refugeeweek.org.uk/simple-acts/>

Create a boat with your acts on or in a method of your choice.



Task 2 – Dolls House Project

Alone Together!

What does this mean to you?

Look at the website: <https://www.giantdollshouse.org/>

Have a look at the different dolls houses and stories behind them.

What has the Covid 19 meant to you?

How has it changed you?

What will you remember?

How could you represent this in your doll's house? Record your ideas and thoughts.

DESIGN YOUR OWN