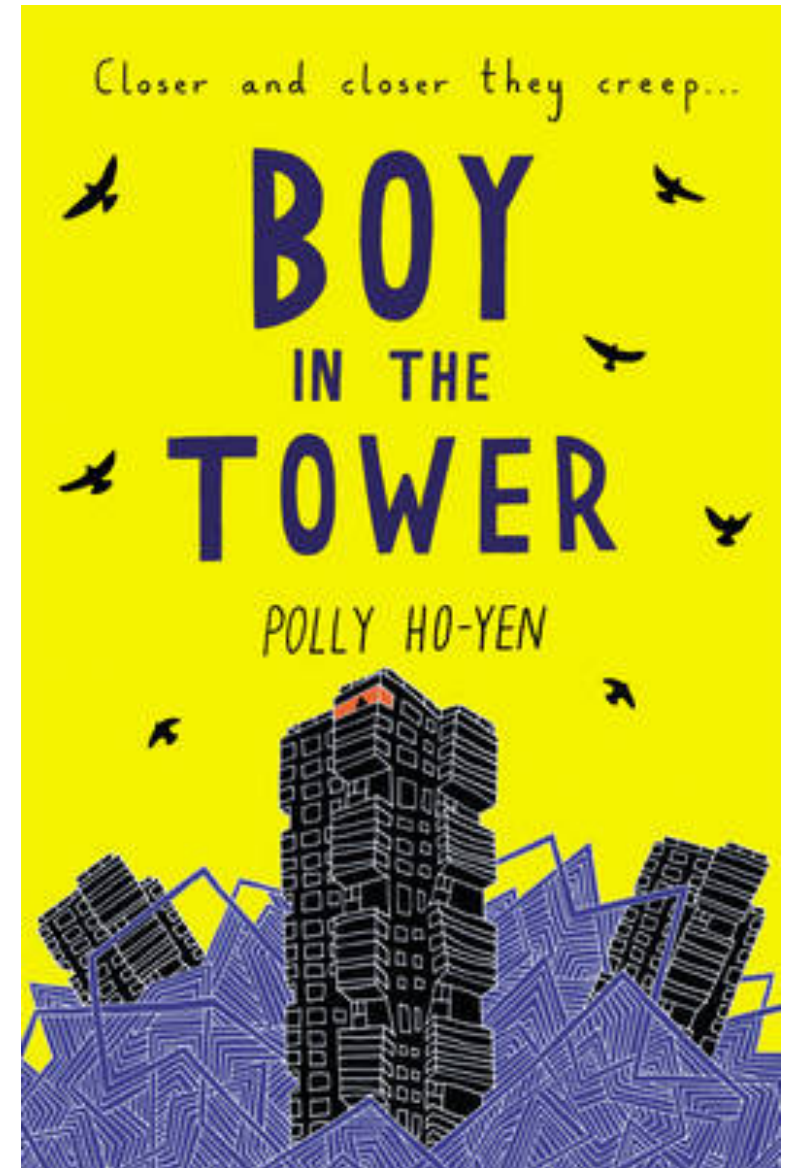


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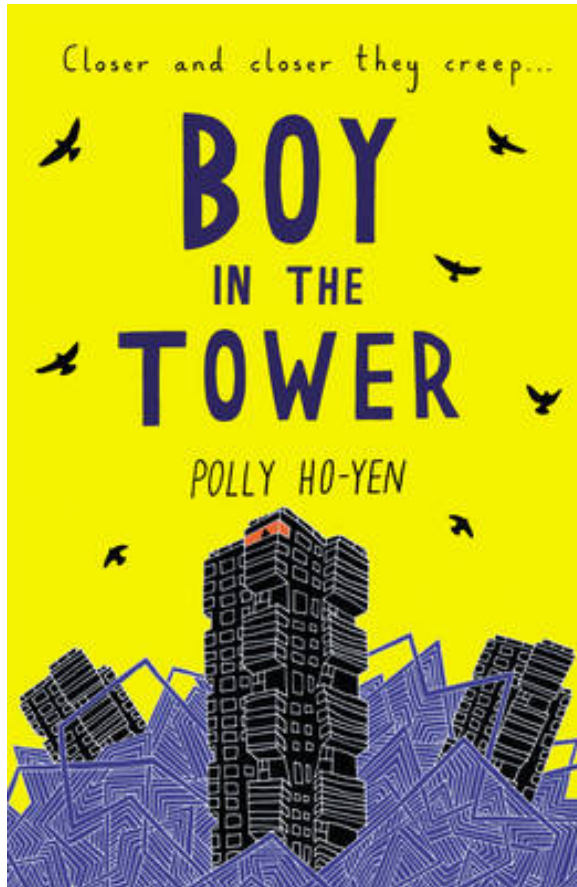
## WALT

Retrieve information from the text

Infer meaning from clues in the text



# MONDAY - PREDICTION



*When they first arrived, they came quietly and stealthily as if they tip-toed into the world when we were all looking the other way.*

*Ade loves living at the top of a tower block. From his window, he feels like he can see the whole world stretching out beneath him.*

*His mum doesn't really like looking out-side — but it's going outside that she hates. She's happier sleeping all day in-side their tower, where it's safe.*

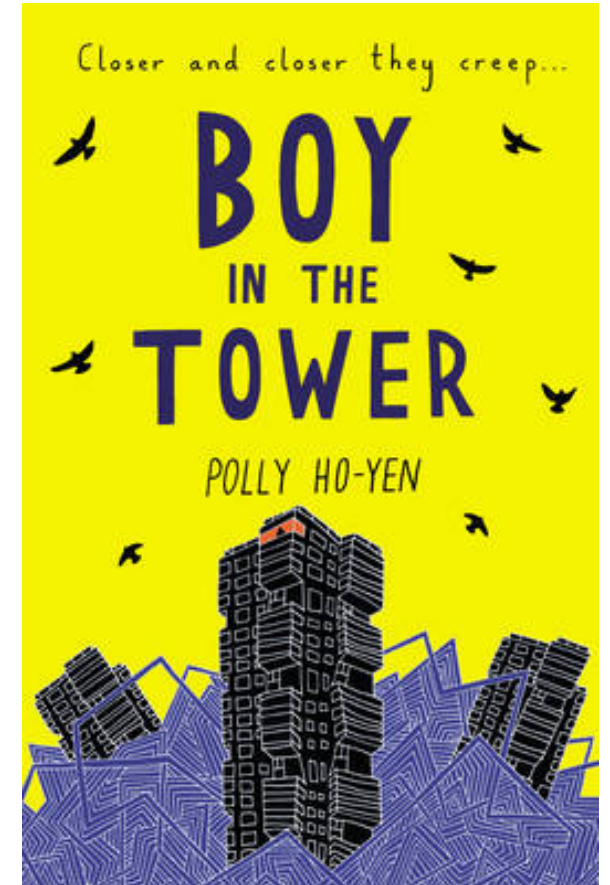
*But one day, other tower blocks on the estate start falling down around them and strange, menacing plants begin to appear. Now their tower isn't safe anymore. Ade and his mum are trapped and there's no way out...*

- What questions do you have?
- What might the book be about?
- What clues does the title give us?

Let's read chapter one together



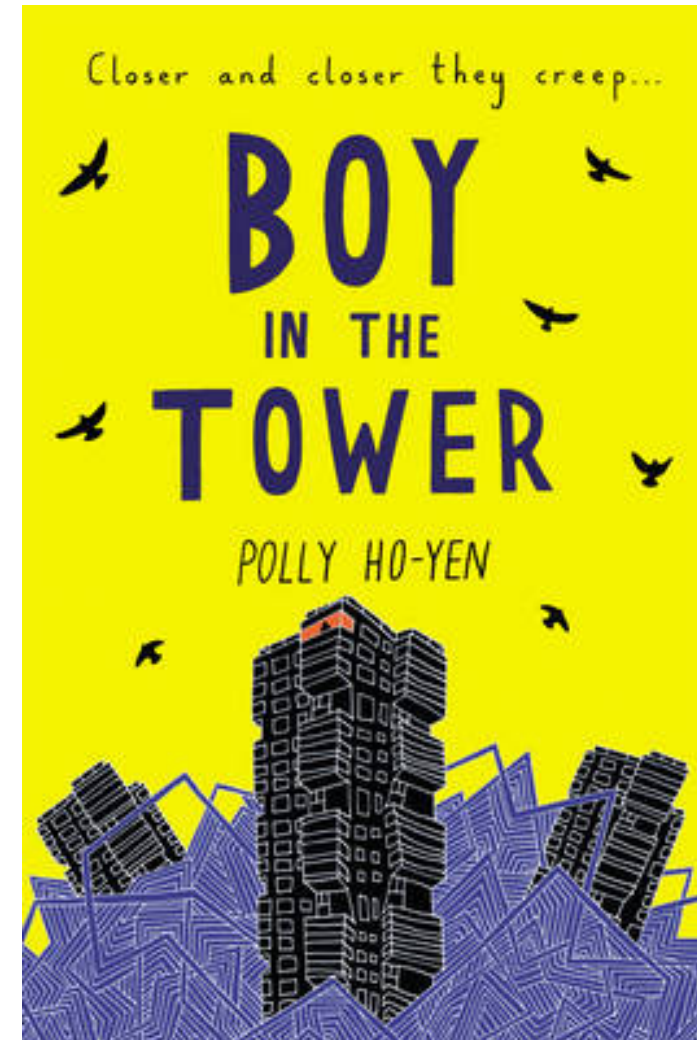
# THE BOY IN THE TOWER



*POLLY HO-YEN*



As we read the text,  
circle the words that  
you don't know yet.



# QUICK QUIZ



1. What day is the narrator telling the story?
2. What does the stain on the ceiling look like?
2. What has changed the narrator's life?
3. What does the narrator find it easier to think about?
4. Who does the narrator always spot in a crowd?



But one day, other tower blocks on the estate start falling down around



A tall building  
containing many floors  
of offices or flats.



But one day, other tower blocks on  
the estate start falling down around



An area of land with  
houses owned by a  
person, or organization.







I look at the ceiling. At the spot of flaky paint and the stain that looks like a wobbly circle, and at the swaying, wispy spider's web, and I think of all those cold, grey Mondays when I had to make myself get up for school.

*(ADJECTIVE)*

Breaking or separating easily into flakes.

Synonyms = Crumbling, cracking, peeling.







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*(ADJECTIVE)*

Moving slowly or rhythmically backwards and forwards or from side to side.





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*(ADJECTIVE)*

Fine (thin) or feathery.

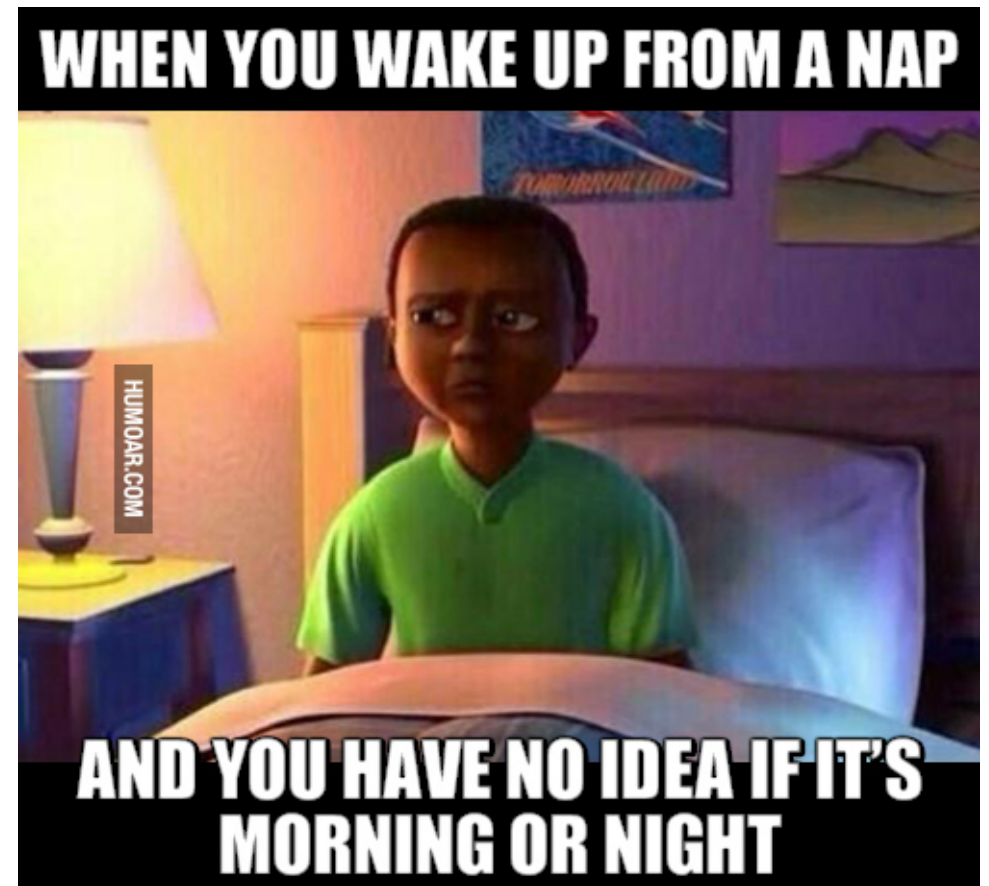


I would have to force my legs off the mattress and I'd dress in a daze, unwilling to believe it was time to be upright again.



*(NOUN)*

A confused state where you are unable to think properly.



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*(ADJECTIVE)*

Not ready, eager, or prepared to do something.



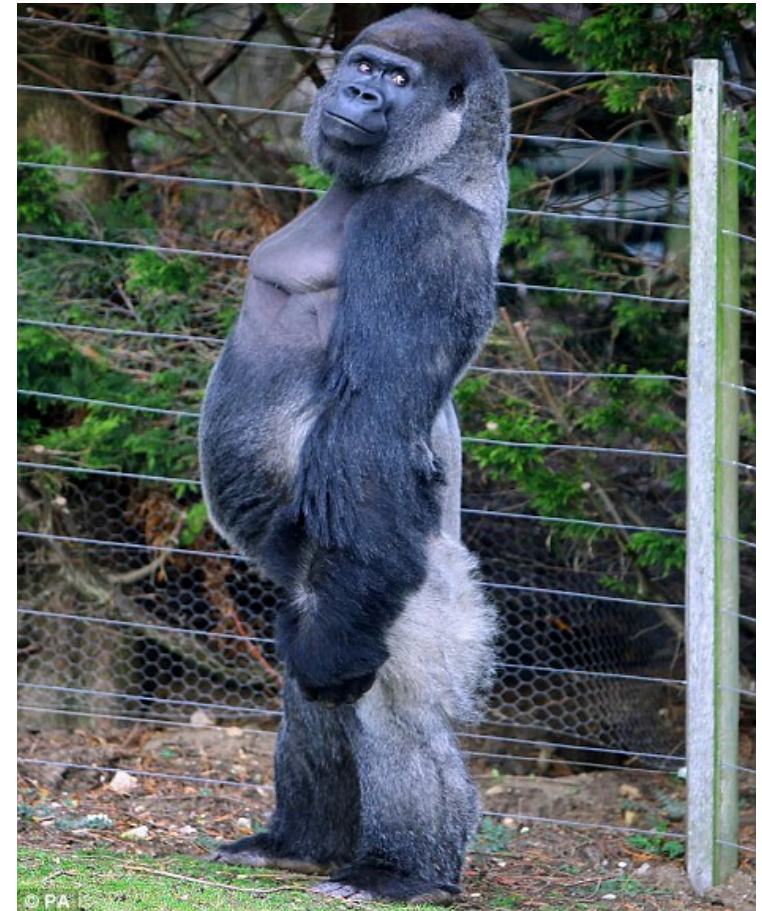


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*(ADJECTIVE)*

Sitting or standing with the back straight.





When they first arrived, they came quietly and **stealthily**, as if they tiptoed silently into the world when we were all looking the other way.

*(ADVERB)*

In a cautious way, so as not to be seen or heard.



When you know the kind of terrible destruction that just one clump of Bluchers can cause, you wouldn't want to have been there first either.



*(NOUN)*

A group of trees or plants growing closely together.



And then, of course, the Bluchers themselves and the devastation that followed in their path.



*(NOUN)*

Great destruction or damage.







I have to make myself remember what I used to see: the shops and the bustle, the cars and the people, the red-brick walls of my school and the grey patch of the playground.

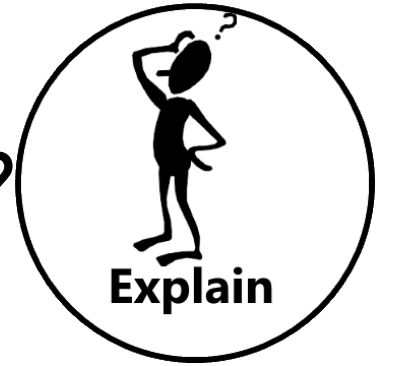
*(NOUN)*

Excited activity and movement.



# Vocabulary for Chapter 1

*Can you come up with definitions for these words?*



**swaying**

*To move slowly and rhythmically*

**wispy**

*Fine and feathery (often about hair, threads, smoke)*

**stealthily**

*To do something secretly and cautiously*

**daze**

*Feeling stunned or confused*

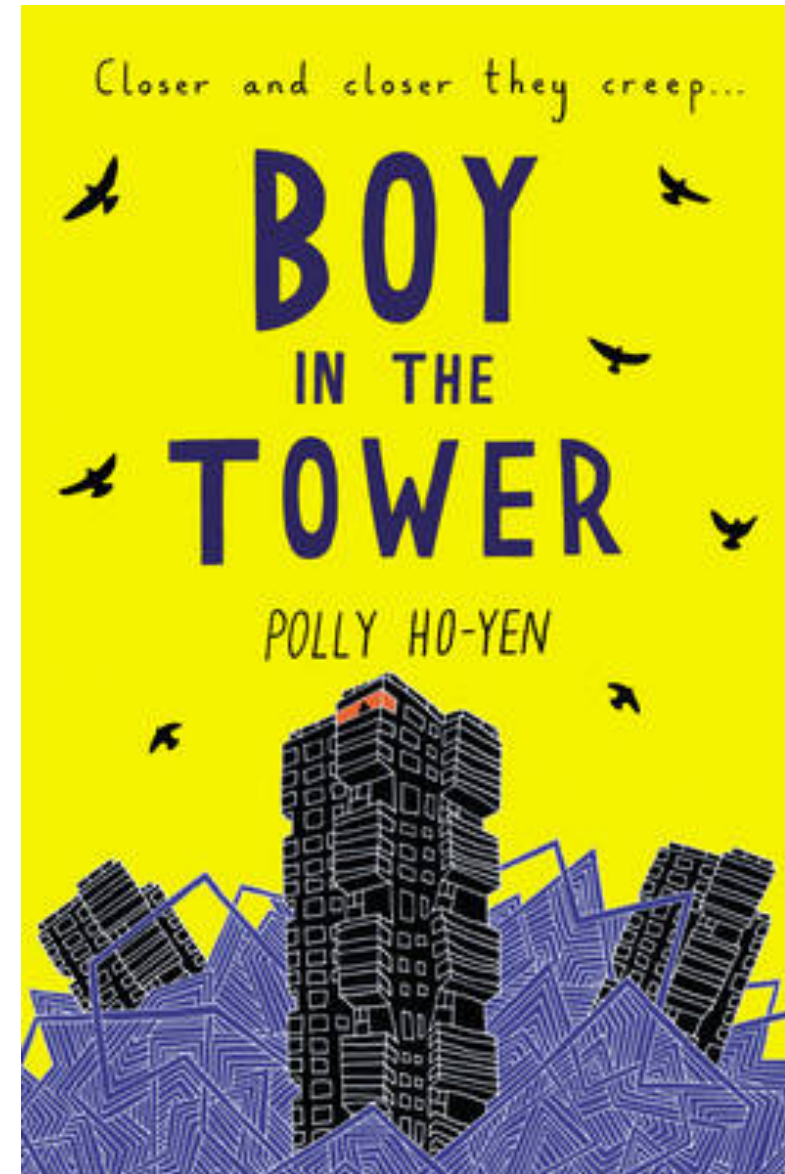
## Paired Task

Make a prediction about the **Bluchers**.

What are they?

What have they done?

How has everything changed?



# INDEPENDENT TASK



Answer your  
group's questions in  
complete sentences

