

Mrs Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
Group reading task

Read pages 108 -118 (*The Air Ducts*) together.

Whilst you are reading:

- Think about the strategies you are using to decode the text
- Think about the way the writer creates and establishes the setting.
- Think about the evidence that you are going to use to support your ideas.

Setting and atmosphere

Does the writer:

- **establish the sense of a place, weather, time?**
- **create a particular atmosphere?**
e.g. tense? mysterious?
- **give details of the setting?**
How does this link with the atmosphere created?
- **choose specific vocabulary to create mood?**
Can you find examples of nouns, adjectives, verbs which do this?
- **use images? Use stage instructions?**
To create effects? Are these linked to a subject or theme?
- **link setting/mood to the action or characters' feelings?**
e.g. is a sad scene set in a rainy, windy, open space?