

Year 8 'The Garbage King' Knowledge Organiser

Summary

Mamo is a poor orphan boy who has run away after being sold as a slave. Dani is a rich boy who has run away from home to escape a controlling father. An unlikely but strong friendship forms between the two boys who must now fend for themselves.



KEY VOCABULARY

beggar	a person, typically a homeless one, who lives by asking for money or food
cemetery	a large burial ground, especially one not in a churchyard
Corrugated iron	a building material consisting of iron or steel sheeting bent into a corrugated form
despised	feel contempt or a deep repugnance for
eucalyptus	(plant) the oil from eucalyptus leaves, chiefly used for its medicinal properties
indignantly	in a manner indicating anger or annoyance at something perceived as unfair
mercilessly	showing no mercy
tyrannical	exercising power in a cruel or arbitrary way

Key terms and Definition

Adjective A word which describes a noun:

Example: sweet, short, bitter, stinky

Adverb Describes a verb or adjective. An adverb

answers how, where, when how much, how

often. E.g.: quickly, easy and never.

Complete Sentences A sentence which contains a subject and a

verb. Example: She went to the shop

Complex Sentences A sentence containing a subordinate clause

Conjunctions A conjunction is a part of speech that

connects words, phrases, or clauses.

Example: for, and, but.

Dialogue Speech between two or more people.

Discussion points

How can the boys relate to each other?
 Would you call the street gang their friends?
 How do they show teamwork in the story?