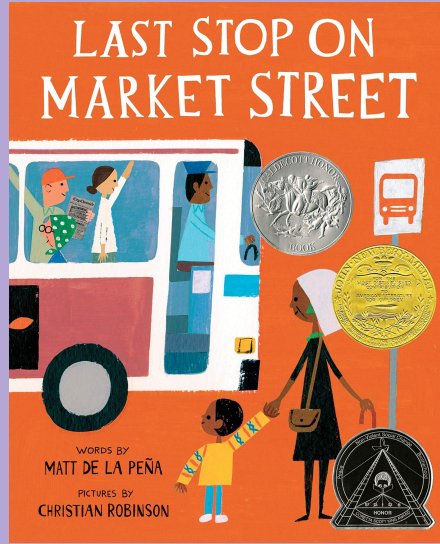




Last Stop on Market Street

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Warm Up

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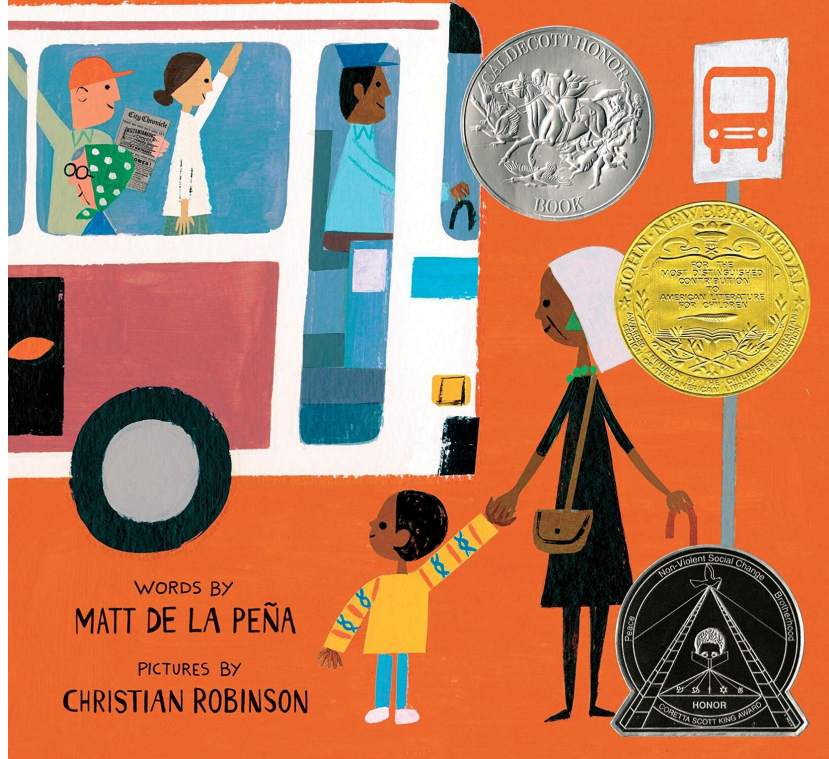
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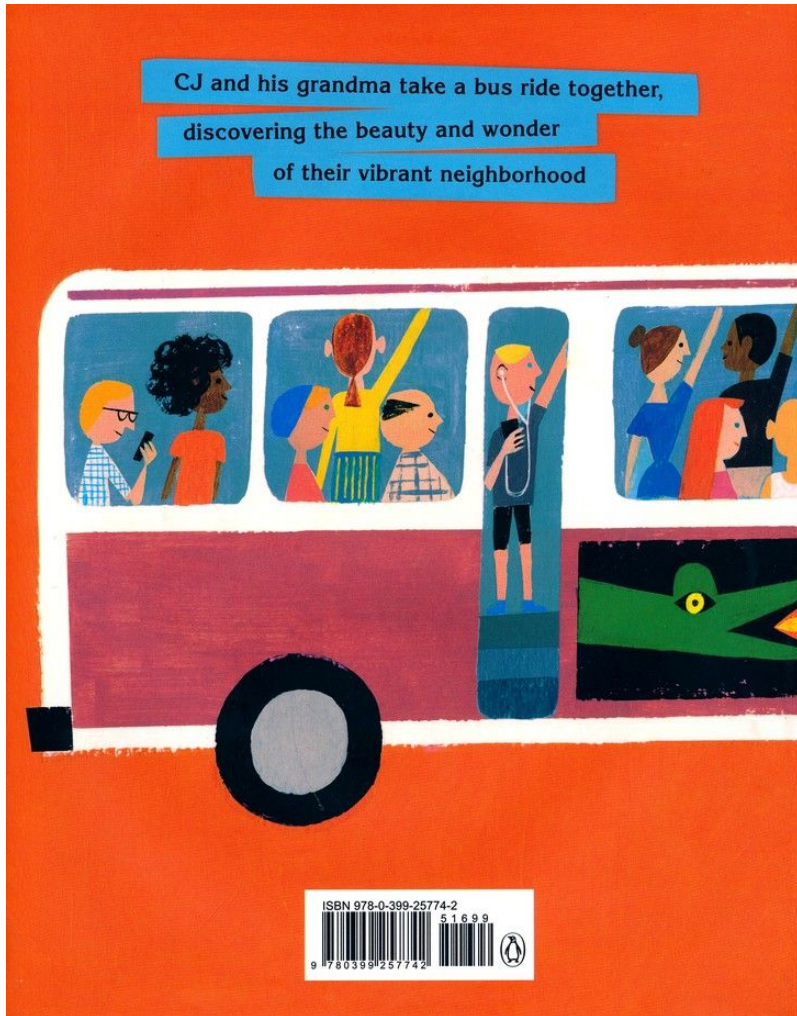
Front Cover

Look at the pictures.
What do you notice?

CJ and his grandma take a bus ride together,
discovering the beauty and wonder
of their vibrant neighborhood

Back Cover

Look at the pictures.
What do you notice?



Pre-Reading Questions

What do you think the story's setting will be?

Who do you think the main characters will be?

What do you notice about the people riding the bus?

Have you ever ridden a bus? Where did you go?

Where do you think the "Last Stop" will take the characters in the story?

Let's Read the Story

Last Stop on Market Street

During-Reading Questions

Do you think Nana really believes a tree is drinking through a straw?

Why does Nana say, “we got a bus that breathes fire”?

How do you think they knew how to get on the right bus?

Where might the man in the suit be going?

What do you think the old woman is going to do with the butterflies that are in the jar?

How did CJ know that the man with the spotted dog is blind?

Have you ever heard someone play the guitar?

Why do you think CJ gave his coin to the guitar-playing man?

What kinds of things does CJ see as he travels through his community?

Where do you think they are going now?

After-Reading Questions

Did you think they were going to a soup kitchen?

What is a soup kitchen?

How did CJ feel at the end of the story?

How did Nana and CJ view each of these situations? Do they see them the same way or differently? How do you see them?

- Not having a car
- Being blind
- Not having a portable music player
- Visiting places that are seen as dirty or seem abandoned
- The people who they serve at the soup kitchen
- Being of service to others

Key Words

Words to know

public transportation



Words to know

community



Words to know

food insecurity



Words to know

soup kitchen



Words to know

food pantry



Community Pictures



What do you notice in this community?



What do you notice in this community?



What do you notice in this community?

Community Maps Activity

We all live in a community. Everyone's community is different and beautiful in their own way. Everyone will draw a map of their own community and then present it to the class. Here are 2 examples to look at. What do you notice?

