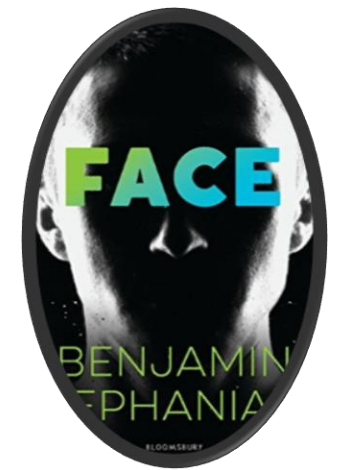


Year 10 'FACE' Knowledge Organiser



Important information

Plot: Martin is a Year 10 student who is about to enjoy a summer of fun when a night out at Dancemania goes wrong. Martin is severely injured in a car accident and now has to tackle life as a teenager with injuries that mean people may be prejudice towards him.

Themes: friendship, prejudice, teenage life, identity, acceptance, self-esteem, loyalty

Setting: The story is set during the summer holidays in East London.

Key Characters

Martin Turner	Main character, leader of the Gang of Three and the classroom joker.
Mark Thorpe	Martin's friend and copycat.
Matthew	More laid-back than the other two, prefers to do things himself.
Natalie Hepburn	Martin's girlfriend, who initially suggest rap music to him.
Mr Lincoln	Martin's form tutor
Alan Green	Martin's counselor.
Anthony	Martin's friend in hospital

Key vocabulary

Multicultural	Peer Pressure
Friendship	Diversity
Prejudice	Qualities
Kindness	Personality
Acceptance	Inclusive



Key quotations

'Martin loved the forest. He thought other areas of the East End were concrete jungles, with no space to breathe'

'Martin's looks - his brown eyes, his long, thick brown hair, which just rested on his shoulders, and his slim build.'

'Natalie was her own person, an individual'

'He had the kind of face many actors and impressionists would dream of'

Context

Benjamin Zephaniah wrote 'Face' in 1999. The story is set in the 1990s where gangs and youth crime is on the increase. The book is set in a fairly ethnically diverse area of London where it is very multicultural.

Zoom in -
single word
analysis

Zoom out -
whole
phrase

Key terminology

Colloquial language	Slang language
Idiom	An everyday expression e.g. A piece of cake.
Adjective	A word that describes a noun.
Dialogue	Speech in a story.