

Using the Six Hats to Respond to *Across the Creek* by Rosanne Hawke

Blue Hat – the thinking hat – controls which hat goes on and off. Blue Hat tells us when to switch hats and indicates what type of thinking is needed.

<p>White Hat Information and facts about the book</p>	<p>Character study – list the characters and provide evidence from the text about what they are like; looked like.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raff pp 8/9/11 • Dragaroo pp10/11 • Knockers pp 23/24 • The Lady p 27 • Spriggans pp 50/51/66/69 • Trebiggan pp 85/86/90 <p>Who is good in <i>Across the Creek</i>? Is the Lady good or evil? Pp 94/95/109</p>
<p>Black Hat Disadvantages, dangers and problems</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the dangers of ignoring warning signs like Aidan does? • If it were possible to time travel, what problems could you experience? • What would be good for us to know if we got lost in the bush/ on holidays?
<p>Red Hat Discussing feelings, likes and dislikes</p>	<p>Talk about fear. Aidan feels fear at times. Can you remember when? How did you know he was afraid? How does he handle it? Can you feel fear and still be brave?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence in text: pp 8/64/97/112/125
<p>Yellow Hat Benefits, good points and advantages</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does Aidan show that he is a responsible and caring person? • Is there anything to learn from <i>Across the Creek</i> or is it ‘just a story to be read for fun’? • Is it important to wonder about the “what ifs” in life? Why?
<p>Green Hat New ideas, creating, adapting, innovating</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are two of your favourite animals? Put those two animals together. Draw it. Make up a name for the new animal. What characteristics of each of the original animals will it have? What will your new animal do? <p>Imagery in the text – what do these phrases mean? Is it important to create images for readers? Why?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P 9 – it made him think of water falling over rocks on a sweltering day. • P17 – she looked smaller, with a hunted sort of drop to her shoulders • P20 happy as a duck I be • P27 her voice was like water, silvery and splashy • P78 flew in a circle like a bird with a wounded wing. • P79 the tune the cat died with. • P102 it sounded like thousands of butterflies flittering in the air. • P115 you look like ducks in a thunderstorm.