

# YEAR 6 BOOK WARMER

Benjamin Zephaniah is a musician, writer, and poet. 'Pen Rhythm' was his first poetry book, published by Page One Books.

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## Did you know?

'Windrush child' refers to any child who was born in the Caribbean and came to Britain between 1948 and 1971.

In 1948, African Caribbean families were invited to move to Britain by the British government to help with rebuilding the country after World War Two.

These families arrived on ships. One of the first ships to arrive was called the Empire Windrush.

Windrush Child was written by Benjamin Zephaniah and tells the story of a 10-year-old boy called Leonard.

In 1958, Leonard travels with his mother from Jamaica to England to join his father. The novel follows Leonard as he struggles to adapt to life in Britain.

Although Windrush Child is a fictional story, Benjamin Zephaniah was inspired by historical events when he wrote Windrush Child. He also drew on his own experience of growing up in Britain in the 1960s.

