

### Week 1

- Meet Princess. A cheeky ten-year-old, with a plan to win the Weston-super-Mare Beauty Contest. Trouble is, her mum is busy working several jobs, her brother, a budding photographer, won't even take her picture and then – The Hustler returns and changes the **family dynamic**.
- In 1963 Bristol, as Black British Civil Rights campaigners walk onto the streets, Princess finds out what it really means to be black and beautiful.

### Week 2

- There were around 3,000 **African-Caribbean migrants** living in Bristol in 1963. They faced racial hatred, struggled to find housing and could only find low paid jobs.
- They were concentrated in the inner city; which were badly bomb-damaged after the war; being the only place many African Caribbean people could afford to live.
- Many white Bristolians wrongly blamed the migrants for causing these poor conditions.

### Week 3

- The Bristol Bus Boycott of 1963 arose from the refusal of the Bristol **Omnibus** Company to employ Black or Asian bus crews in Bristol. Racial discrimination, in England, against so-called "Coloureds" was widespread.
- The boycott of the company's buses by Bristolians lasted for four months until the company backed down and overturned their discriminative colour bar policy.

### Week 4

- Family life is central to Princess & The Hustler. In the first scene, the audience are presented with a busy family setting: Junior is being scolded for going out early, Princess is in her imaginary cupboard world, Mavis is busy preparing Christmas dinner.
- There is shouting, laughing and dancing, and the family tease each other light-heartedly. When Wendell arrives the atmosphere changes.

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### Week 5

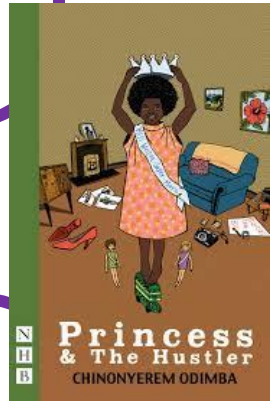
- HMT Empire Windrush arrived Britain, in 1948, bringing hundreds of passengers from the Caribbean to the UK. They came to help rebuild Britain after the war.
- Mavis talks to Margot about when she and Wendell left Jamaica to live in England. She says they married in 1945, becoming pregnant with Junior, then emigrating as part of the **Windrush generation** in 1948 onwards.

### Key words:

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**African-Caribbean migrants:** member of the the British Empire were encouraged to come to Britain to rebuild it after the war.

**Omnibus:** a bus



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Questions	Answers
How old is Princess?	10 years old
Where is the beauty contest?	Weston-super-Mare
What does her brother want to be?	A photographer
Who changes the family dynamic?	The Hustler
Where and when is the play set?	1963 Bristol

### Week 2

Questions	Answers
How many African-Caribbean people were living in Bristol in 1963?	3,000 people
What problems did they face?	They faced racial hatred, struggled to find housing and could only find low paid jobs.
Where did they live?	In the inner-city
What was the problem of where they lived?	It had been badly bombed in the war
What did the white Bristolians wrongly believe?	That the poor conditions were due to the African-Caribbean migrants.

### Week 3

Questions	Answers
What year was the Bristol Bus Boycott?	1963
Why did it happen?	The refusal to employ Black or Asian bus crews
What was widespread, in Britain, at the time?	Racial discrimination against 'coloureds' – Black people.
How long did it last?	Four months
What resolved the boycott?	The company backed down and stopped their policy.

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### Week 4

Questions	Answers
How does the play open?	A busy family
Why is junior in trouble?	He went out early
Where is Princess?	In her imaginary cupboard world
What day is it?	Christmas Day
Who turns up and what happens?	Wendell turns up and changes the atmosphere

### Week 5

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When did HMT Windrush arrive in Britain?	1948
Who were on the ship?	People from the Caribbean?
Why were people from the Caribbean invited to come to Britain?	To help rebuild it after the war
Who does Mavis tell her story to?	Margot
Who came over from Jamaica?	Wendell and a pregnant Mavis.

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