

Episode 1: Getting into Narnia

1 Ms James: OK right
2 I asked this group a question about
3 actually about the place of Narnia
4 I said
5 why can't Narnia always be found in the same place
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7 what do I mean by that
8 this group
9 what do I mean by that
10 because Julie's going "what"
11 she doesn't understand the question
12 what do I mean by that
13 Deborah: sometimes you couldn't get through it
14 sometimes you (could)
15 Julie: oh yea:eah
16 Pupil: it's like
17 Ms James: can you think of an example in the text
18 when that happens (1)
19 Daniel can you
20 Ms James: you can't (.) has it gone
21 Rob
22 Rob: I think (when Luke- no it wasn't-)
23 Edmund went in there and it was
24 I don't know
25 Susan went in and it was all blocked xxx
26 Ms James: yeah
27 when they went in there again
28 it was all blocked up wasn't it
29 they [couldn't get through
30 Sean: [((nods emphatically))
31 Ms James: why is that
32 why- why did that happen (.)
33 this group why do you think that happens
34 Sean: becau:[s:e
35 Ben: [erm
36 Ms James: right Sean was just about to say something then
37 (3)
38 Sean: I don't know
40 Ms James: you're not sure
41 o:ka:y
42 maybe you can add something in a moment
43 Ben
44 Ben: I think
45 maybe it's because erm
46 they only let people in at certain times (1)
47 like (1)
48 like when they- Aslan was back
49 they let Peter and Susan in
50 Ms James: okay
51 do you think that maybe the wardrobe only lets in
52 good people
53 Anon: (nope)
54 Anon: why did (they)

55 Julie: but she let in Edmund- they let in Edmund
56 Ms James: so we're not saying it-
57 we- we're disagreeing with that then
58 Sean: they only let certain people in
59 Ms James: only let certain people in
60 bu:t if there's some-
61 we're saying they only let good people in
62 why do they let Edmund in
63 what do you think Brian
64 Brian: I think it's if they believe in it
65 Vanessa: yeah that's what I think
66 because (.)
67 erm Lucy-
68 Lucy wou- didn't know about it and then she (.)
69 went in Narnia and then she found out that it was there
70 and she believed in it
71 Ms James: but can I just disagree with Brian-
72 do you mind if I disagree with you Brian
73 right
74 the rest of the children
75 they didn't really believe in it did they
76 Peter and Susan
77 they thought that Lucy was ju:st
78 being silly a bit
79 because of her age
80 and they all rushed into the wardrobe didn't they
81 when Mrs McCreedy was showing these people
82 around the house
83 Julie: ((whispering)) they were with Lucy ((this pupil has her
84 hand up and appears eager to contribute))
85 Ms James: and they suddenly went in
86 Julie: because they were [with Lucy
87 Ms James: [but they didn't believe in it (.)
88 what do you think about that
89 Julie: because they were with Lucy
90 Ms James: sorry
91 Julie: because they were with Lucy
92 Ms James: so they were with somebody that did believe (1)
93 ah so you think you've got to have a belief in Narnia
94 Pupils: yeah
95 Ms James: to be able to get in
96 Deborah: ((nods))
97 Pupils: yeah
98 Ms James: okay
99 ((shrugs her shoulders))
100 Deborah: yeah but what about Edmund
101 Ms James: but what about Edmund
102 ah Deborah just said
103 Deborah: because he went in after Lucy (.)
104 not while-
105 he didn't go in with Lucy
106 (2)
107 Ms James: so what do we think about that now (1)
108 Pupils: yeah

109 Anon: (okay maybe you were wrong)
110 Ms James: okay maybe you're wrong
111 so you have to sort of back down on that argument
112 okay that's- that could be an interesting one to discuss
113 in more detail later but (.)
114 I want to go onto your question now

Supplementary transcript of the discussion immediately prior to Episode 1 (not included in video file)

1 Ms James: OK (.) right
2 I'm just going to pick a couple of questions
3 we're not going to discuss them all
4 OK
5 let's go to question number one-uhm
6 this group
7 OK right
8 "Aslan is a coward" I said
9 do you agree or disagree
10 give a reason for your choice
11 I'm going to that group first of all
12 and they're going to give us their opinion
13 but if you want to say anything
14 if you disagree or agree with them
15 you can also put your hand [up and say something as well
16 Pupil: [(if you disagree with that)
17 Ms James: OK
18 so this group over here
19 so Aslan is a coward
20 I think Aslan's a coward
21 Pupil: well
22 Ms James: what do you think
23 Pupil: we disagree:ee
24 because Aslan risked his life for (.) ehm
25 Adland
26 that makes As-
27 Aslan risked his life for Edmund
28 because that-
29 so he's brave
30 bu:t (.) he didn't have to risk his life
31 for (.)
32 Pupil: Edmund
33 Pupil: Edmund
34 Ms James: why did he risk his life then
34 Pupil: because he's kind and
35 honest
36 Ms James: do we agree with that
37 Pupils: yeah
38 Ms James: OK
39 do you think he is a coward
40 Pupils: no
41 Ms James: can we ever at any point say
42 that Aslan is a coward
43 Pupils: no ((in unison))
44 Ms James: who said yes
45 (2)
46 Sam?: ((raises finger to slightly above the level of his head
47 - Ms James is looking the other way))
48 Ms James: no I thought someone said yes
49 no one said yes
50 so we all agree that he's not a coward
51 OK

52 everyone in that group agree with that (.)
53 anything else you want to add to that
54 (3)
55 no
56 Sam did you have something else to say
57 no
58 OK
59 being a bit shy at the moment