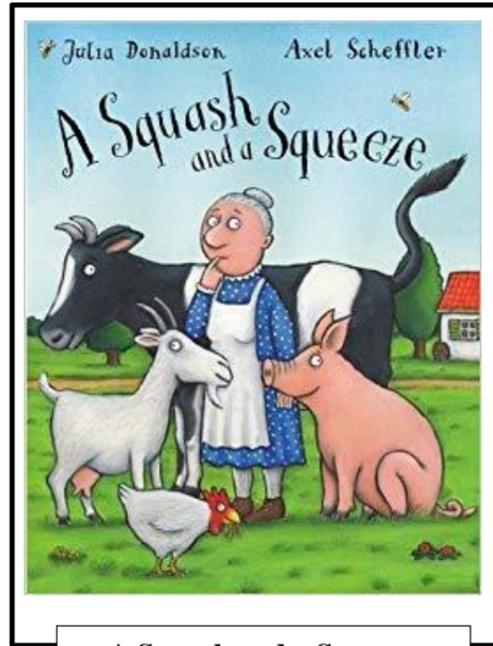


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Authorial Focus	
Author	Julia Donaldson
Date of birth	16 th September 1948
Place of Birth	London, England
Early life	Julia lived with her family in London and enjoyed poetry, playing piano and learning new languages.
Published	<i>The Gruffalo</i> , <i>Room on the Broom</i> and <i>Stick Man</i> . Of her 184 published works, 64 are widely available in bookshops.
Later Life	2011–2013 Children's Laureate. Julia received an MBE in 2011 for services to literature.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World – The farm		
Cow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat grass • Drink water • Produce milk and beef 	
Pig	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat plants and meat • Drink water • Produce pork 	
Goat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat plants • Drink water • Produce milk and wool 	
Chicken Female – hen Male - cockerel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat seeds, fruit and insects • Drink water • Produce chicken meat and eggs 	
Farm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An area of land used for growing crops (plants) and rearing animals for their produce. 	

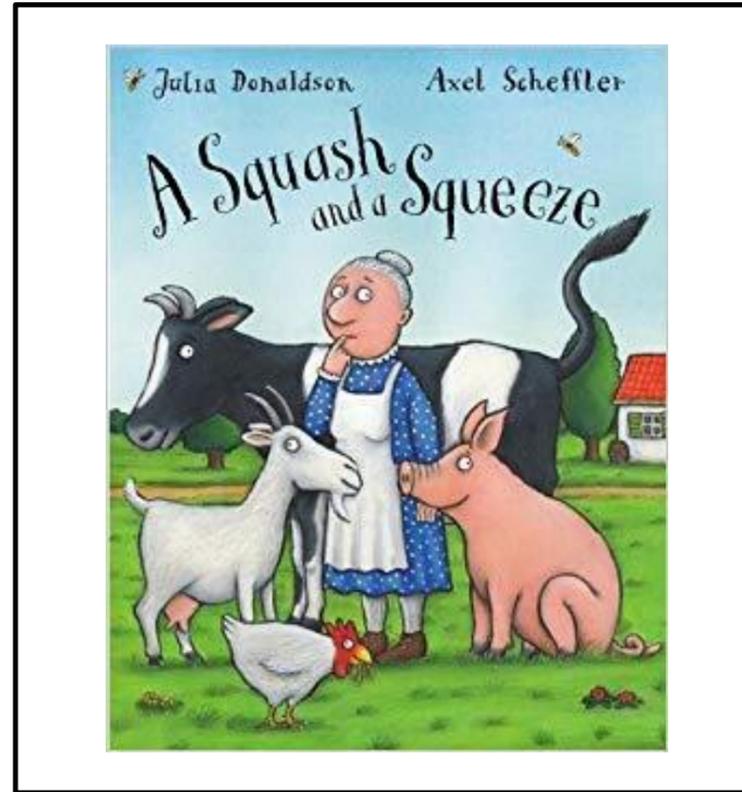
Educational Visits	
Suggested experiences for you and your child:	
Rural	Visit a local farm to see what life is like in the countryside. Speak to a farmer and hear about his lifestyle.
Urban	Visit to Hailsham town centre. Look at the different types of houses there are.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World - Areas		
Rural areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countryside • Lots of fields and trees • Animals • Quiet • Very little traffic 	
Urban areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City • Town • Lots of buildings • Noisy • Lots of traffic 	

Knowledge and Understanding of the World – Types of homes		
A cottage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small • Usually in rural areas 	
A house	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bigger than a cottage • Can be in rural and urban areas • Usually has two floors – upstairs and downstairs 	
A flat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very tall buildings • Usually in urban areas 	

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KUW Farm Quiz	
What is a farm?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. An area of land used for growing crops and rearing animals. b. A place where wild animals roam freely. c. A park surrounded by houses and flats.
What is a farm animal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. An animal that is reared (raised /taken care of) on the farm. b. An animal that is raised in a house and walked on a lead. c. An animal that lives in the wild and finds its own food.
Can you name a farm animal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Cow, sheep, goat, pig, chicken b. Polar bear, grizzly bear, panda bear c. Lion, zebra, giraffe, rhinoceros

KUW Areas Quiz	
What is an urban area?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. A place that usually has cities or towns. b. A place that has lots of countryside. c. A place that is quiet and calm.
What is a rural area?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. A place that has a lot of countryside. b. A place that usually has cities or towns. c. A place that is loud and busy.
What town do we live in?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Hailsham. b. London c. England