

# The Carnegies



## The Carnegie Longlist 2026 Shadowing Resources



# Lord Of The Flies: The Graphic Novel

## Carnegie Medal for Illustration

**Illustrator: Aimée de Jongh**

**Age range: 12+**

### Description:

This strong, impactful graphic retelling has a cinematic quality. The story of a group of boys trying to survive on an island as civilisation erodes into savagery is repellent at points but in the best possible way because of the prowess and power of the illustration. There are moments of great vulnerability, like when Piggy's glasses are shown to be broken, and there's palpable unease and menace in the depictions of the beast and the pilot. It carries readers on a real journey.

Themes:

- Human nature
- Civilisation
- Rites of passage
- Fear
- Societal breakdown
- Death
- Democracy

### Shadowing Ideas:

1. Build your own edible campfires using your favourite snacks. You could use chocolate buttons, marshmallows, chocolate sticks like Matchmakers, chocolate finger biscuits and strawberry laces to make it look alight. You could turn it into a competition for the best campfire, with your shadowing lead choosing the winner.
2. Create your own shelter using materials you may find in school or at home like paper plates, paper straws, cocktail sticks, elastic bands and so on. Work in teams and set a timer. The winning team is the one with the most convincing shelter.
3. Make parachutes using old plastic bags, thread and Lego figures (or similar figurines). Find somewhere to launch them and see if you can land them on a target.