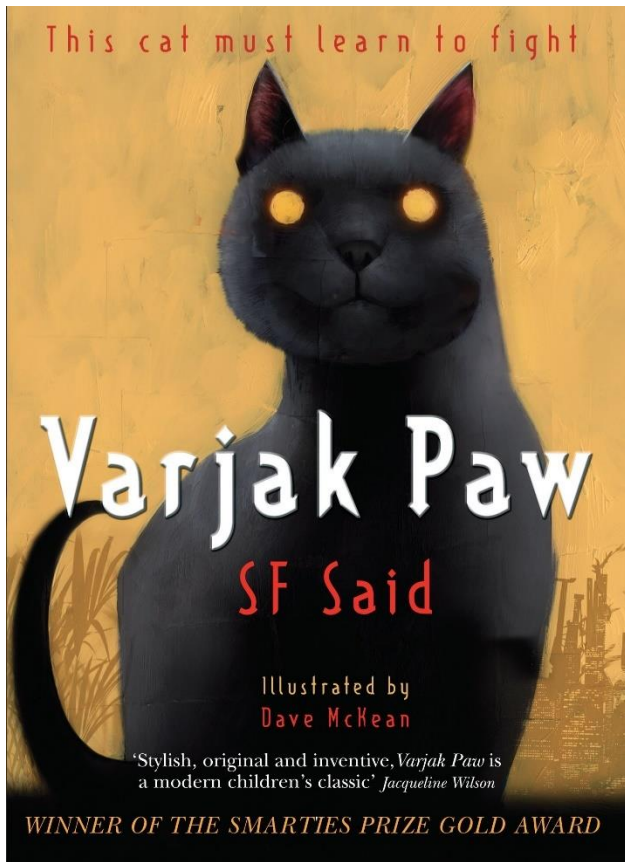


Varjak Paw:

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Plot summary:

Varjak Paw is a pampered pet cat who knows there's more to life. His family tease him and they don't understand his adventurous spirit. He is soon forced to venture beyond the garden wall to save his family from the mysterious and dangerous 'gentleman' and his two evil hench-cats.

Themes:

Belonging

Main Characters

Varjak Paw	He is the titular character and he must learn to fight to protect his family.
The Gentleman	A mysterious man arrives in the Paw household, Varjak suspects he is dangerous.
Julius	Varjak's brother and bully. He is always mean to Varjak because he is different.
Holly	Varjak's first acquaintance on the Outside. She helps him to learn about the city.
Tam	Another friend on the Outside. Tam is always hungry.
Sally Bones	The gang leader. The thin, white cat who moves in the shadows.
Jalal	Varjak's ancestor who inspires him to be a 'true' Mesopotamian Blue Cat.

Key vocabulary

Contessa	A woman of wealth – usually from Italian heritage.
Ancestor	A relative from many, many years ago.
Council	A group of people meeting and discussing issues.
Caviar	Pickled fish eggs. A delicacy (special) food.
Cinnamon	An aromatic spice.
Tom cat	A male cat.
Velvet	A fabric that is very soft to touch.
Generations	Members of a family living in different times.
Awareness	The knowledge of a situation or fact.
Sprawled	To sit or lie with arms and legs spread out in an odd way.

Mesopotamia



Mesopotamian Blue Cats

