



The Firework-Maker's Daughter - Information for Families



We have created this rehearsed reading of The Firework-Maker's Daughter for your family, it is a short film that lasts around an hour.

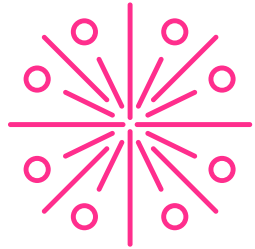
It can be watched all the way through or it can be watched in parts or paused to explore the linked activities.

The story is told in 8 parts. The timings of each part are listed in the description on YouTube. These timings are hyperlinked and so can be clicked on to take you directly to the part of the story that you want.

There are breaks between each part of the story with music that give good opportunities to pause. From our work with lots of different young people we recognise the need to be able find the best way into a performance or story for each child and we hope these options will help with that.

The film and support materials include:

- A shortened audio version of the story with pictures
- A social story to explain how the film will work
- A symbol based board game to get to know the characters
- A colouring sheet exploring the places in the story
- An introduction to the character and the actors that play them at the beginning of the film
- Invitations to learn some Makaton symbols for Lila's fireworks
- Invitations to think of noises for the fireworks
- Create your own fireworks activities (these can be done as a break from the film or at another time).



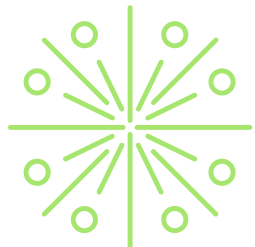
We hope you enjoy the story of Lila and her adventure, we'll be making this into a play that can be experienced together once we get back into theatre spaces and communities and we hope you can join us for that too. We'd love to hear from you how your family have found the film and resources, this will help us to continue to make work like this, and improve our work in the future, you can email us at nextdoorbutone@outlook.com

A handy list of things you might need for our activities

Paint fireworks

For these activities you will need:

- something to cover the table or area you're painting on
- aprons or old shirts to keep clothes clean
- blank paper
- brightly coloured washable paints
- pallet or flat containers for paints (these could be margarine tub lids or old saucers)
- tubes from the inside of loo rolls
- scissors
- straws



Sound Fireworks

Musical instruments or anything you can make sound with, pots and pan or you can use your voice, whatever your family would enjoy the most.

Sculpt Fireworks

Different coloured fabric, these could be tshirts, towels, socks, gloves, scarves or whatever different coloured cloth things you can find in the house.