

ACTIVITY SHEETS for PSHE and Creativity

Please use these activity sheets at home, in school, or working with young people in other venues. They are best used with those who have finished reading up to the relevant parts of the book as they contain minor spoilers.

They can be completed by individuals or in pairs or groups.



The Struggles of Sandra

Read through the related parts of Lucy the Octopus:

Chapter 2. Actually Cool As Well As Being Cool: Whole Chapter

Chapter 5. I'll Take What I Can Get: Strips 1, 2, 3, 19

Chapter 7. Too Cool for the Likes of You: Strips 8, 9

Chapter 8. Cool, Just Not at School: Strip 6

Chapter 9. The Least Popular Kid at School: Strips 13, 15

Chapter 10. Just the Dregs: Strips 5

Chapter 11. Put All This Who's Cool and Who's Not Cool Aside: Strips 9, 10

Looking through the story arc of Sandra (see above chapters and strips), we see she really has some problems! While she prefers the company of Lucy, she feels the need to try to fit in with the cool kids in her school. She used to be really popular in her old school and wants that in Stoneydip High too, even if it means not being herself.

Write lists of advantages and disadvantages to changing yourself to fit in. Consider, what are the short and long term results of doing this?

