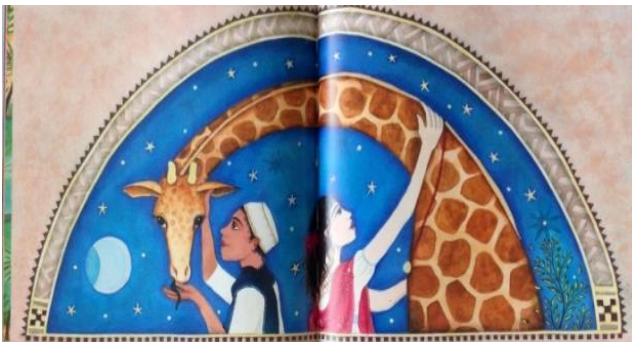


Session 4

Imagine seeing a giraffe for the very first time. How would you feel? What would you tell your friends? How would you describe Zeraffa? That is what happened in France in 1827 when a baby giraffe called Zeraffa was sent to Paris as a gift for the King of France. It took two and a half years for her to travel from Egypt to Paris - a 2000 mile trip down the Nile, a three week sail across the sea and a 550 mile walk across France.



In France, Atir leads her through the countryside and thousands of people marvel at Zeraffa. Paris falls in love with Zeraffa. The king builds her special houses in Jardin des Plantes. On warm nights, the young princess visits, while Atir whispers stories to Zeraffa of a hot land far away.



Challenge

- Can you design a poster to tell the people of Paris about Zeraffa? You could include an illustration of Zeraffa and details describing Zeraffa. Add question and exclamation sentences. You could write, in bold letters, Do you want to see the most amazing animal? What an amazing creature Zeraffa is! Include some information about where Zeraffa came from and what time/date people could see her.

