Here is the link for a short video clip

https://www.literacyshed.com/blackhat.html

Please watch the clip with an adult.

Here are the instructions to follow whilst watching the short clip.

Pause the film after 4 seconds showing the picture of the boy and his grandmother.

* What do we call a child who has no parents?

Pause the film after 11 seconds when the house is shown.

* Do we know any other stories set in a house in the woods?
* What type of stories often include orphans and houses in the woods?

Watch and rewatch up to 32 seconds just before he finds the hat.

* What words does the narrator use to describe the forest?
* What sounds does he hear?

Pause the film after 41 seconds when the boy finds the hat.

* Who do you think this hat may have belonged to?

Pause the film after 1 min 12 seconds when the narrator has described the creatures.



* How do you think the boy is feeling?
* What creatures can we see?
* Can we carefully describe some of the creatures? Pause after 1 min 30 – when the boy is admiring the caged creatures.
* Why has the boy put them in the jars and cages?
* What does he like about the animals?
* Do you think it is right to keep animals locked in cages?

Pause the film after 1 min 49 seconds when only the normal birds came.

* How do you think the boy is feeling now?
* What other words do we know for sad?
* What things can make us sad?

Pause the film after the boy calls out ‘Please come back to me!’

* What else could the boy say to the bird to persuade him to come back with him?
* What do you think the bird might say back if it could talk?

Pause the film after the narrator says ‘He now knew what he had to do.’

* What do you think the boy is going to do?
* Can we describe the birds as they flew around?

o Can we use a sentence with a verb and an adverb in it? E.g. flying gracefully, swooping beautifully etc. Watch the film until the end.



* Is there a lesson to this story? A moral?
* How should we treat wild creatures?

\*Note that there are no answers to these discussion questions