



Something about the Author

Sonya Hartnett is an Australian author of fiction for adults, young adults and children. She has been called, "The finest writer of her generation". She won the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award from the Swedish Arts Council in 2008, the biggest prize in children's literature.

SPaG Focus

- **Subordinate clauses** supports the independent clause.
- Cohesive paragraphs linking paragraphs.
- Using commas to indicate parenthesis commas around extra information.
- Possessive pronouns words to indicate possession such hie, hers, mine, yours, theirs.

Blurb

on E bright spring morning in the woods of France, a soldier, blinded by the war, is found by a little girl, Coco, and her older sister, Marcelle. In return for their kindness, the soldier tells the sisters marvellous tales, each story connected to the keepsake he carries in his pocket.

Genre Features – Fiction

- Intriguing characters relatable characters
- Suspense what will happen next?
- **Believable conversations** conversations between characters make the story feel real.

Vocabulary

- Aggrieved –
 feeling
 resentment at
 being unfairly
 treated.
- Injustices lack of fairness
- Imperiously a domineering manner.
- Famished –
 extremely hungry.
- Unbreachable –
 cannot be
 overcome.