

Summary

Love has many colours, and so has Maire. Magic is everywhere if you only look for it, she tells Tomás, a shy 8-year-old lonely orphan boy whom she and her husband Alec adopt. Moving from a bullying life in the city to a remote island off the coast of Ireland brings him close to nature – and the secret of the seals. Maire overflows him with love and care, and he is slowly coming out of his shell – he is happy. Then tragedy strikes. Will Tomas be sent back to the orphanage, or will he succeed in winning Alec's love and acceptance?

English subject curriculum

Purpose of English

- Literary texts in English can instil a lifelong joy of reading and a deeper understanding of others and of oneself. Oral, written and digital texts, films, music and other cultural forms of expression can further inspire personal expressions and creativity.

Possible competence aims after Year 10

- understand the main content and details of different types of oral texts on different topics
- listen to and understand variations of English from different authentic situations
- discuss and elaborate on the way people live and how they socialise in [...] English-speaking countries and Norway

Themes

- positive messages
- positive role models
- effects of bullying
- loss and grief
- empowering yourself
- parental love
- coming of age

A Shine of Rainbows

Canada/Ireland, 2009

Based on a novel by Lillian Beckwith
(1911)

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Overordnet del – verdier og prinsipper for grunnopplæringen

- Skolen skal bidra til at elevene utvikler naturglede, respekt for naturen og klima- og miljøbevissthet. (1.5)
- I barne- og ungdomsårene er utvikling av et positivt selvbilde og en trygg identitet særlig avgjørende (2.5.1)

Cross-curricular possibilities

Social studies subject curriculum

Competence aims after Year Level 10

- create stories about people from different societies in the past and present and show how their living conditions and values influence their thoughts and actions

Curriculum for knowledge of Christianity, religion, philosophies of life and ethics

Competence aims after year level 10

- reflect on the relationship between religion, philosophies of life and knowledge

Læreplan i fordypning i engelsk

Etter 10. årstrinn

- Fordypning i engelsk skal gi mulighet til å utforske tekster fra ulike emneområder og inspirere til praktisk og kreativ språkbruk.
- formidle egne opplevelser av musikk og filmer eller teater til andre

Natural science subject curriculum

- **Purpose of the subject:** Knowledge on, understanding of and experiences in nature can strengthen the will to protect natural resources, preserve biological diversity and contribute to sustainable development