

## Task for The Garret: Charlotte Wood

### Activity Two: Building trust within the class/group

This activity is to build trust and confidence within a group of students. It is particularly useful in the lead-up to major assessment tasks such as exams, or to establish trust prior to students sharing their imaginative writing with each other as in **Activity 2**.

- The teacher writes the name of each student on an envelope, all of which are then laid out in a central space.
- Students are then directed to write short anonymous notes to each other and to place them in the named envelopes. These notes are to be positive, to acknowledge individual strengths and to encourage a community of writers within the classroom.
- At the end of the allocated time, each student takes their envelope.

(NB. teachers may wish to collect the envelopes to check that the activity has been correctly undertaken and that students have praised and encouraged each other.)