

## The Weight of the World



### Story Starter

She carried the weight of the world on her shoulders, but there wasn't much further to go. The path she had taken was a difficult one; it had impeded her every step of the way.

Salvation City lay just a few kilometres ahead, and she must summon all of her courage to reach it if she was to save the world...

### Activities

- Can you continue the story?

### Sentence Challenge

- Can you write down what you think is going through the old woman's mind?
- You could write it down as an internal dialogue, or as a series of questions she asks to herself.

### Question Time

- Is the picture about a woman dragging a large ball along a road, or is there a deeper meaning behind it? What do you think is happening?
- What does having 'the weight of the world on your shoulders' mean?
- What does 'salvation' mean? Why is the city in the distance called 'Salvation City'? What will happen when she gets there? Will she ever get there?

- Why is it an old woman pulling the world, and not a young man or woman?
- In what way is the path impeding her?
- What is the path made from? Is this significant?
- Why has the artist made a picture like this? What do you think their message is to people?
- Is the weather in the picture significant?

### Picture Perfect

- Can you draw a picture of one thing YOU could do differently in your life to make the world a better place?