**Discussion ideas for …**

**Stitch Head: The Spider’s Lair by Guy Bass**

* Arabella is a very feisty character in this book and she is also known as “Angry Girl”. Discuss reasons why you think Arabella might be so angry.

* The idea of family and what family is or what it is like to not have any family are important themes. In your group, have a discussion about why you think families are so important in this story. Do you think there are any families in this story?
* Many of the main characters in this book are monsters (creations) that were created by a mad professor. When you think of what a monster is, do you think the monsters in this story match your ideas? If not, then why not and what do they do and or say that makes you think that?
* The fear of spiders is called arachnophobia. As a group, have a chat about what you are afraid of. Once you’ve done this you may also like to try and find out if your fear has a name. You can use the internet or books to find this out.