Think about the books that you have read. Which character do you think displays the greatest amount of empathy?

Linus - Finding Audrey

How does your character show empathy?

Linus supports Audrey on her journey to overcoming her social anxiety and depression.

How did your character's actions affect others?

Audrey suffers from social anxiety and depression after being very badly bullied at school. She can't talk to anyone outside of her family or go to public places, she can't even make eye contact with her family. When Audrey's brother, Frank, invites Linus around to play an online game, he finds her watching TV on her own. He tries to make conversation with her, but doesn't realise that she has anxiety. When he comes over the next day he helps Audrey by persuading her to try and make contact with him, whereas before she was unable to. Within a few days, Linus and Audrey are going to Starbucks and many other places, and when Audrey goes to see her counsellor a few weeks later, it turns out that she's almost completely overcome her social anxiety and depression thanks to Linus's help.

Write a 6 sentence paragraph, persuading your teacher that the character you have chosen deserves to win THE EMPATHYS.

I think that Linus should win the empathy award because he did something really empathetic, he helped a girl overcome her social anxiety and depression. Linus comes across as a strong, patient, kind and devoted person, determined to do whatever it takes to help his friend through her tough condition. Before she met Linus, Audrey was really struggling to cope with her anxiety, she couldn't talk to anyone, meet up with people or even go to school, but when she met Linus her entire personality changed. She became braver, stronger and overall happier, all thanks to Linus's help. He never gave up on her, even when it seemed like there was no hope, and he never pushed her because he truly understood what she was going through. Someone as influential as Linus surely deserves to win the empathy award; don't you agree?