



Kendra Leighton

School and Library Visits

About Kendra

Kendra is a teen fiction author and chocolatier. She holds Qualified Teacher Status and has worked as a Key Stage 2/3 English teacher.

Her Fiction

Glimpse is Kendra's debut novel. Inspired by Alfred Noyes' classic poem 'The Highwayman', it was published by Constable & Robinson in June 2014.

Liz just wants to be normal. Her life is anything but.

Seven years ago Liz lost her mother and ten years' worth of memories. When she inherits the infamous Highwayman Inn, she hopes the move will be a fresh start. Then she meets Zachary. Zachary who haunts her by night and in dreams; who makes her question everything she is and wants to be; who seems scarcely real - yet makes her feel so alive.

Glimpse is a ghost story, a love story, and a story of a girl fighting for her future by confronting her terrible past.

Events

Kendra can offer two types of events. It would be useful, though not essential, if the audience are familiar with 'The Highwayman' poem.

The first is an **interactive workshop** where the audience plans their own story based on a poem or text of their choice. If requested, the text could be one the students are currently studying or have recently studied. Kendra will talk for 15 minutes before guiding the audience to plan their own work.

The second is a **presentation** where Kendra reads from her novel and talks about the ideas and inspirations behind it, as well as her life as a writer and chocolatier. She will talk for up to 40 minutes, with interludes for audience interactivity. She will then take Q&A and sign books.

Please get in touch to discuss other types of events.

Audience

Kendra's events are ideally suited to students in Years 8-11. Ideal group size is up to thirty students, although presentations to year groups may be possible. Kendra is happy to present to three groups in one day.

Format

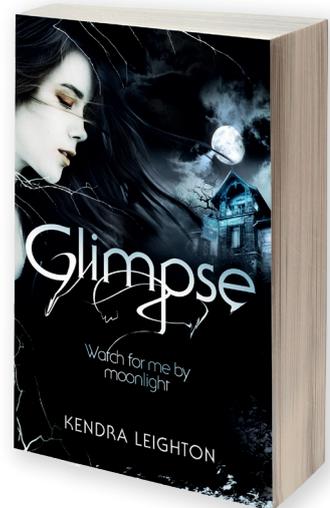
Kendra's events use a slideshow presentation which includes a short book trailer video. She will bring a laptop with her. The hosting venue must have a screen and audio available.

Contact

If you'd like to discuss or book, email events@kendraleighton.com

Books for Sale

Kendra prefers to work with schools and libraries who have an existing relationship with a local bookshop to supply books to sell at her events. Please get in touch if you'd prefer Kendra to arrange books for sale on the day.



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