**Blinded by the Light (Gurinder Chadha, 2019)**

*The film takes place in Luton, England in 1987. It tells the story of Javed Khan and his parents Malik and Noor and sisters Yasmeen and Shazia, who are Pakistani immigrants. The film was inspired by the life of journalist Sarfraz Manzoor.*

1. **Snap literature**
2. **Conversation with neighbour:**

Explain and discuss the meaning of the following quotes from the film:

*“They’re not brilliant, but they’re mine” (Javed about his poems)*

*“You can’t live your life for your dad” (Eliza)*

*“It’s the only time I can forget life. When I’m dancing I lock out the world” (Shazia)*

*“I don’t want to be your son. I want to be more than that” (Javed)*

*“My dream is to build a bridge to my ambitions, but not a wall between my family and me” (Javed)*

*“Son, write your stories, yes, but don’t forget ours” (Mr. Kahn)*

1. **Answer the questions below:**

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| Question | Answer |
| Characterise Javed. Focus on his personal development - including his role in school and his development as a writer |  |
| Describe the setting. Focus on the situation for an immigrant family in England in the 1980s and describe the circumstances and challenges in respect to racism, culture, religion and providing for the family |  |
| Describe the parents’ norms and attitudes when it comes to British/American/Pakistani culture and characterise Javed’s relationships with his father, mother, and sister Shazia respectively |  |
| What is the essence of the Springsteen lyrics, Javed listens to? How and why are they meaningful to Javed? | e.g.  “Badlands”  “Promised Land”  “Born to Run”  “Dancing in the Dark” |
| What are the most important themes of the film, do you think? |  |

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