

Reading Answers

1. Why does she use the word 'us'?

To show she is not alone and there are other people who agree with her.

2. How does this make her feel?

It makes her feel empowered knowing that she is not alone.

3. Do you think it is ok to treat her differently? Explain your answer.

It is not ok to treat her differently. Everyone is unique in their own way and we should be celebrating our differences.

4. Why has she used the word 'bruised' when she used the word 'scars' in the first verse?

Unlike scars, bruises only last for a while, showing a change in her attitude. She now is able to hear these things and not let them become scars, but rather bruising for a short time before moving on. It shows she has grown a tougher skin and is not letting the words affect her as much.

5. Why is she now marching to the beat of her drum?

She now feels confident to ignore the hate she has received and is instead being proud of herself.

6. Do you think she has apologised in the past? Why?

She has apologised in the past because she has let other people bring her down.

7. Why is she not going to apologise anymore?

She is now feeling confident to understand her worth and strength. She does not need to apologise for being who she is.

8. Do you think real bullets are hitting her skin? What might the bullets be representing?

Real bullets are not hitting her skin. The bullets are representing unkind things that others have said about her.