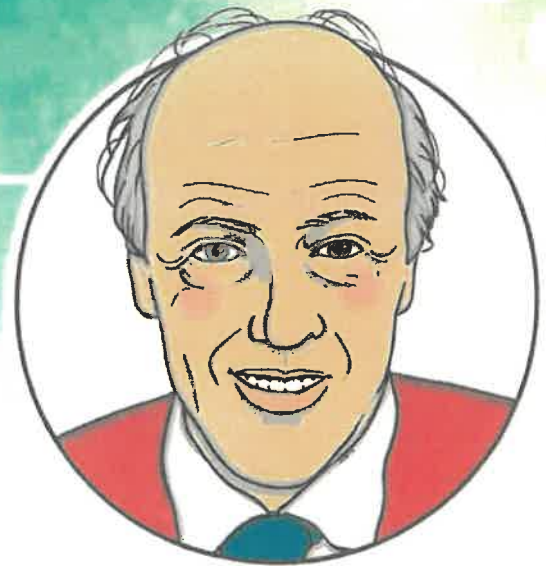


Roald Dahl

Who Was Roald Dahl?

- Roald Dahl wrote children's books.
- He was born on 13th September 1916 in Wales.
- His mum and dad were from Norway.
- Roald went away to school where he stayed during term time.



What Did He Write?

His first famous children's book was 'James and the Giant Peach'. He wrote it for his own children in 1961. He wrote other books too.



Charlie and the Chocolate Factory



Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator



The Enormous Crocodile



George's Marvellous Medicine



The BFG



The Witches



Matilda

What Happened to Roald Dahl?

Roald Dahl lived until he was 74 years old. Many children around the world still love to read his books. Roald Dahl Day is celebrated every year on his birthday. This is a celebration of his wonderful work.

Did You Know...?

Roald Dahl got the idea for 'Charlie and the Chocolate factory' when he was asked to try different sorts of chocolate at school.

Questions

1. Where was Roald Dahl born? Tick one.
 - ☐ England
 - ☐ Scotland
 - ☐ Wales

2. Which country were his parents from? Tick one.
 - ☐ Germany
 - ☐ Norway
 - ☐ France

3. Which one of these is the name of one of Roald Dahl's books? Tick one.
 - ☐ Stickman
 - ☐ Matilda
 - ☐ The Gruffalo

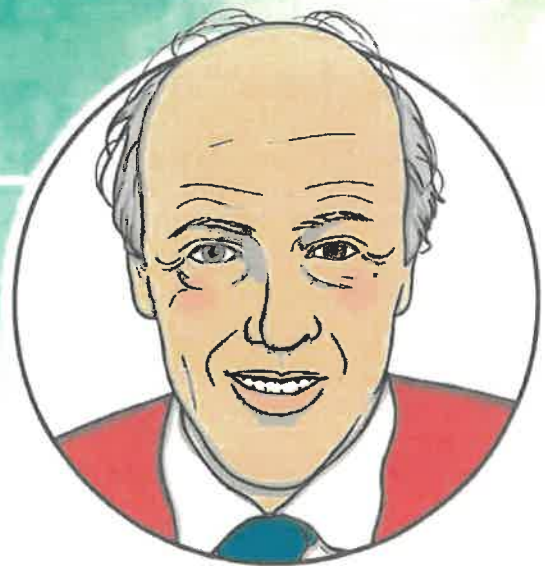
4. What month is Roald Dahl Day? Tick one.
 - ☐ June
 - ☐ December
 - ☐ September

5. What was Roald's first famous children's book? Tick one.
 - ☐ The BFG
 - ☐ James and the Giant Peach
 - ☐ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Roald Dahl

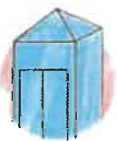
Who Was Roald Dahl?

Roald Dahl wrote some of the most popular children's books in the world. He was born on 13th September 1916 in Wales. His parents were from Norway. Roald went away to school where he stayed during term time. He did not like it very much. He joined the Royal Air Force during the Second World War when he was 23. He became a pilot.



What Are His Most Famous Books?

Roald started writing about being a fighter pilot. He then started to write children's books. His first famous children's book was 'James and the Giant Peach'. He wrote it for his own children in 1961. He later wrote 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. He wrote lots of other books too.



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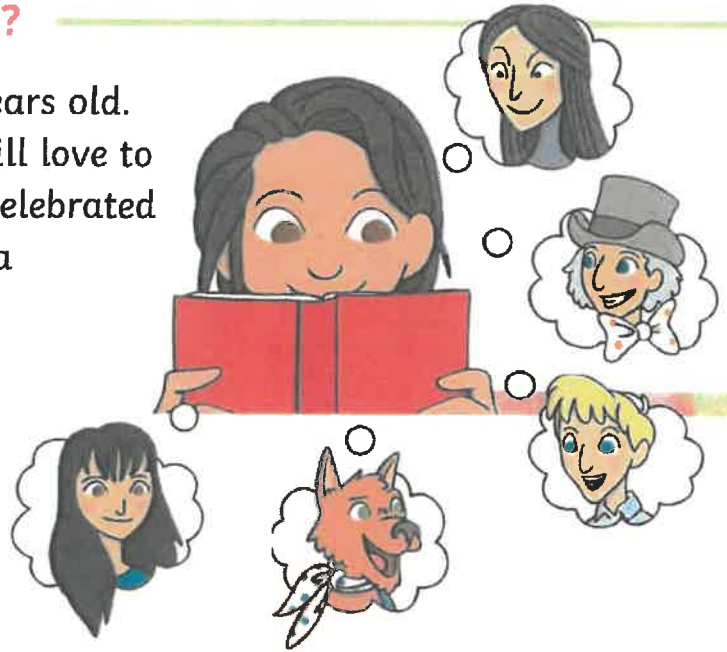


Matilda

Roald also wrote some books for grown ups. Lots of Roald's books have been made into films. Matilda has also been made into a stage show.

What Happened to Roald Dahl?

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Questions

1. Which month was Roald Dahl born in? Tick one.

- ☐ March
☐ December
☐ September

2. Circle **one** word that tells us that lots of children like Roald Dahl's books.

Roald Dahl wrote some of the most popular children's books in the world...

3. Number the events from 1-4 to show the order in which they happened. The first one has been done for you.

- ☐ Roald Dahl went away to school.
☒ 1 Roald Dahl was born in Wales.
☐ Roald Dahl published 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.
☐ Roald Dahl became a pilot.

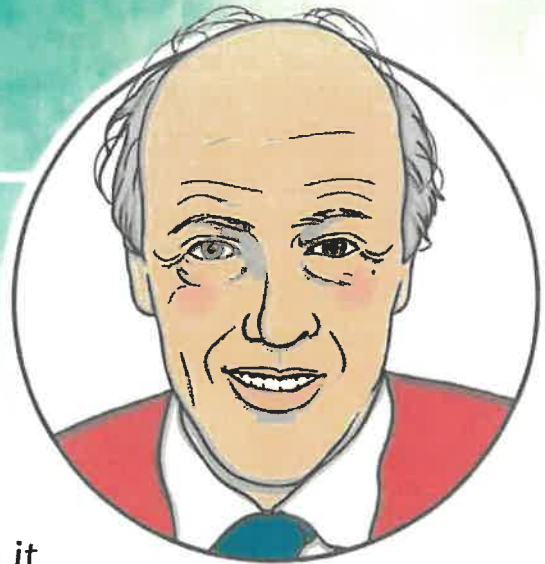
4. Find and copy the name of a Roald Dahl book that has been made into a stage show.

5. How might people celebrate and remember Roald Dahl's work?

Roald Dahl

Who Was Roald Dahl?

Roald Dahl was a famous children's **author**. He was born on 13th September 1916 in a town called Llandaff in Wales. His parents were from Norway and he was named after a famous Norwegian explorer. He had four sisters, a half-sister and a half-brother. Roald went to **boarding school** but he did not enjoy it very much. He joined the Royal Air Force during the Second World War when he was 23 years old. He became a pilot.



What Inspired Roald Dahl?

Roald started writing about being a fighter pilot. He then started to write children's books.

Did You Know...?

Roald Dahl helped to write the **script** for the film 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang'.

What Are His Most Famous Books?

His first successful children's book was 'James and the Giant Peach'. He wrote it for his own children in 1961. He later wrote 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. He wrote many more books.



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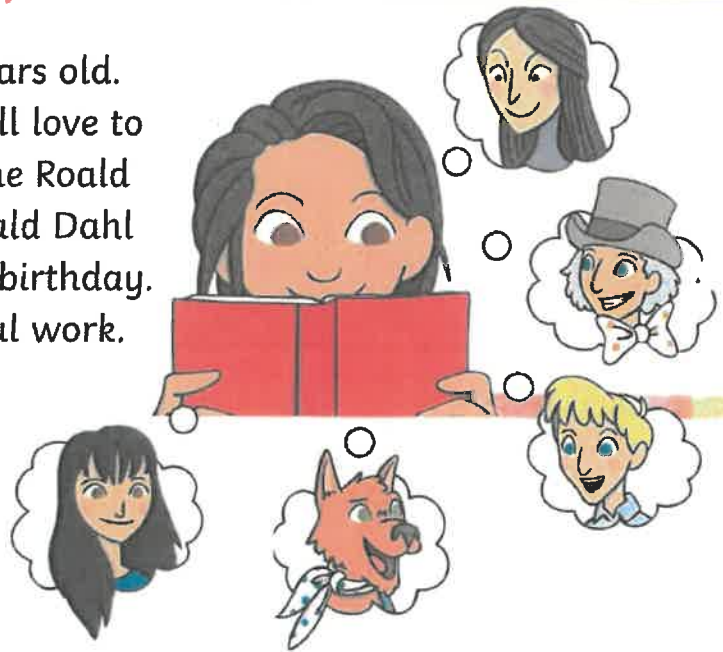
Roald also wrote some poetry books, such as 'Revolting Rhymes'. He also wrote some books for grown ups.

Lots of Roald's books have been made into films. Matilda has also been made into a very popular stage show.

Roald Dahl famously wrote most of his books in his shed, using a pencil and yellow paper.

What Happened to Roald Dahl?

Roald Dahl lived until he was 74 years old. Many children around the world still love to read his books. You can also visit The Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre. Roald Dahl Day is celebrated every year on his birthday. This is a celebration of his wonderful work.



Glossary

author: Someone who writes books.

boarding school: A school where pupils sleep overnight.

script: The words to a play, film or TV show.

Questions

1. What year was Roald Dahl born? Tick one.

- ☐ 1932
☐ 1621
☐ 1916

2. What town was Roald Dahl born in?

3. Circle **one** word that tells us that Roald Dahl wrote books.

Roald Dahl was a famous children's author.

4. Look at the section called **What Inspired Roald Dahl?** What did he write about **first**, before he wrote children's books?

5. How do we know that Roald Dahl didn't use typewriters or computers to write his books?

6. Which fact about Roald Dahl in this text is your favourite?
 Explain your answer.

In Literacy we have been reading 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl.

Can you draw a revolting character?

