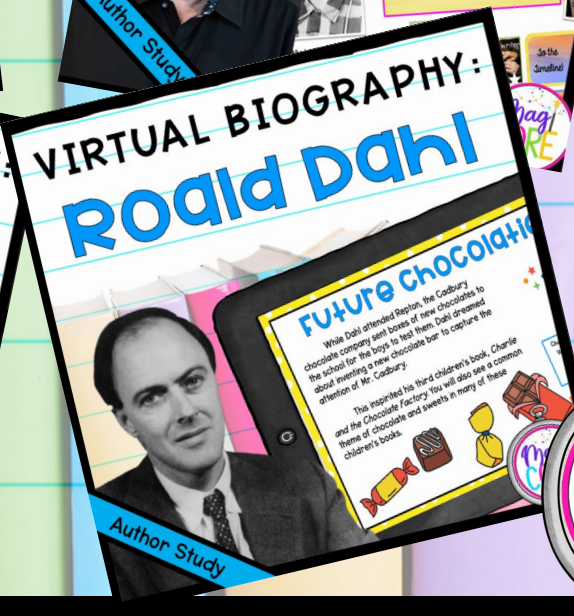
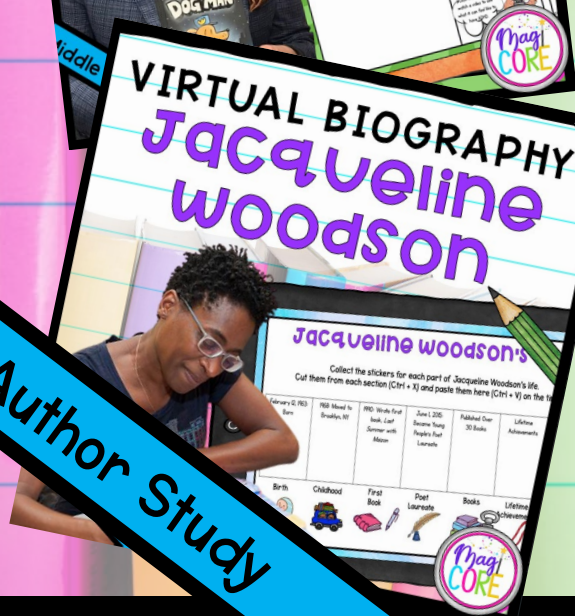
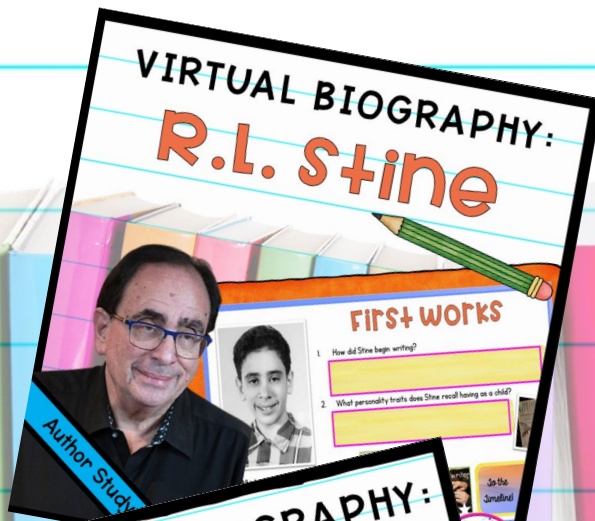
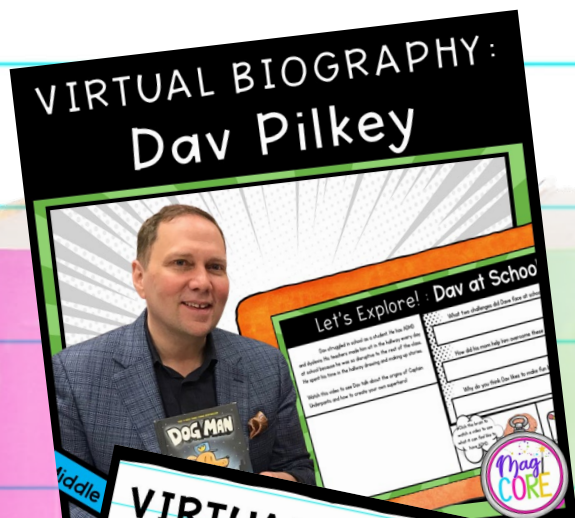
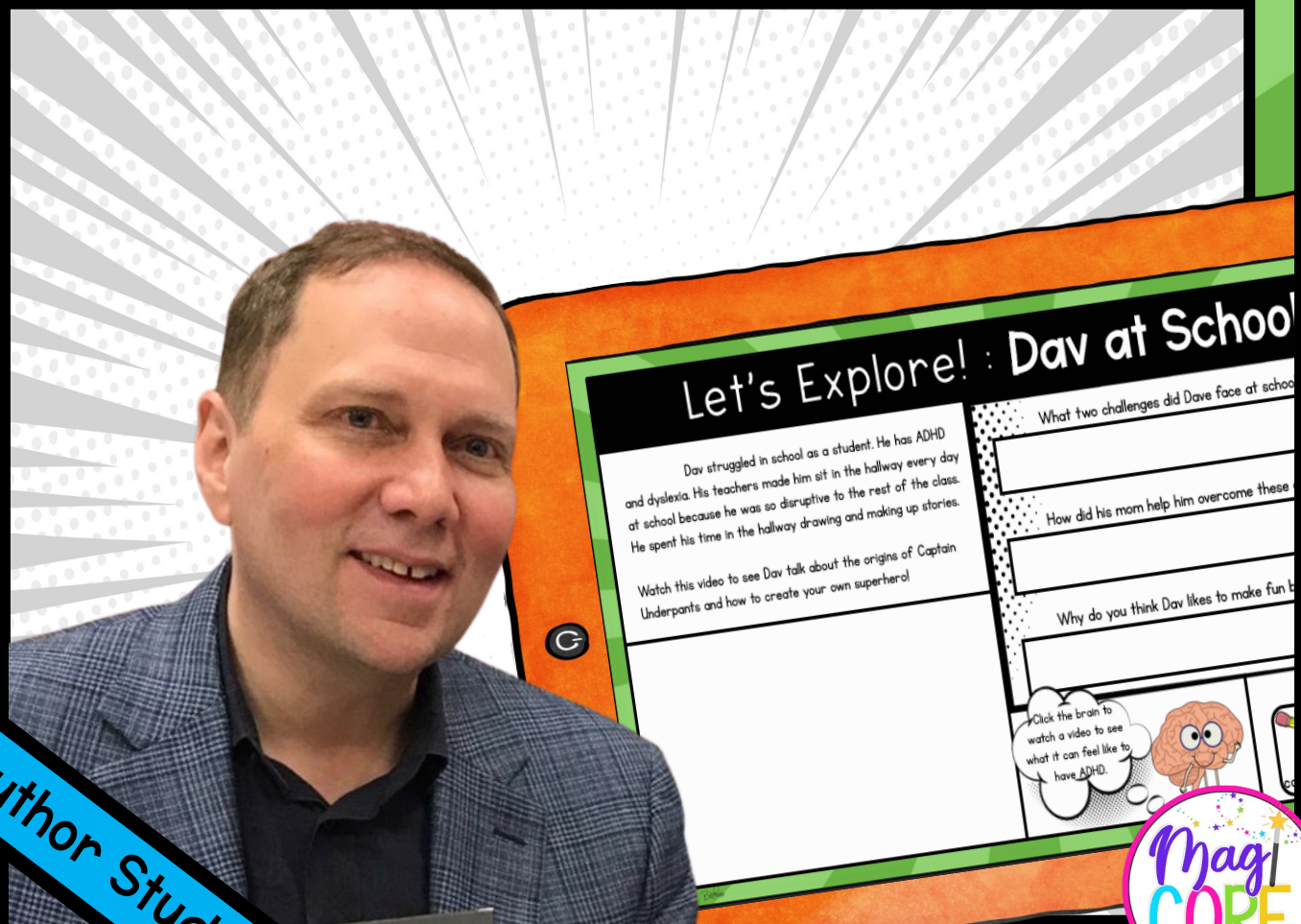


VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY: Favorite Authors



VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY: Dav Pilkey



Author Study



Integrates Reading Skills

Click the photo of Dav to explore the books he has written.



Dav Pilkey is a cartoonist, author, and illustrator of children's books. He is most known for his *Captain Underpants* and *Dog Man* series. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on March 4, 1966. He was born Dave but started going by "Dav" when the "e" was left off his employee nametag at Pizza Hut. Dav graduated from

Kent State University. He married his wife, Sayuri, in 2005. His first book was published in 1987 when he won a national contest for student authors. Since then, he has written over 60 books.

Who is Dav Pilkey

Have you read any of Dav Pilkey's books?

If you have read Dav's books, what do you like about them? If not, which book from the list would you like to read and explain why you chose it.



To the comic strip

Social Studies

Let's Explore! : Dav at School

Dav struggled in school as a student. He has ADHD and dyslexia. His teachers made him sit in the hallway every day at school because he was so disruptive to the rest of the class. He spent his time in the hallway drawing and making up stories.

Watch this video to see Dav talk about the origins of Captain Underpants and how to create your own superhero!

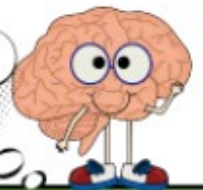


What two challenges did Dav face?

How did his mom help him overcome these challenges?

Why do you think Dav likes to be a superhero?

Click the brain to watch a video to see what it can feel like to have ADHD.



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Interactive Timeline

Dav's Timeline

Collect the Stickers for each part of Dav's life. Cut them from each section (Ctrl + X) and paste them here (Ctrl + V) on the comic strip.



1966

1971 - 1977

Dav at
school

1997

Captain Underpants is
the #1 banned book.

2006



Critical Thinking

Let's Explore! :
How Dav Became an
Author



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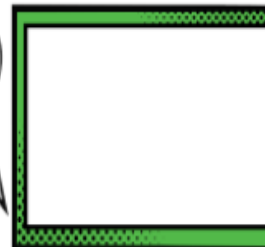
What moment
made Dav realize he
wanted to become an
author?



What was
Dav's first
book?

3

Why did Dav say he
focuses on funny
books?



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Writing

Reading Gives You Superpowers

Click on the superheroes to hear Dav explain how reading gives you superpowers! Then, answer the journal prompt!



All that reading really gave me superpowers!



How does reading give you superpowers?
Describe a time you were reading and used your superpowers.

Engaging & Educational Media

Let's Explore! : Graphic Novels



1 Click the comic book to learn more about what graphic novels are.

2 Watch Dav Pilkey talk more about why graphic novels are important to have in the classroom.

3 Drag and drop the words to label the parts of the comic below.

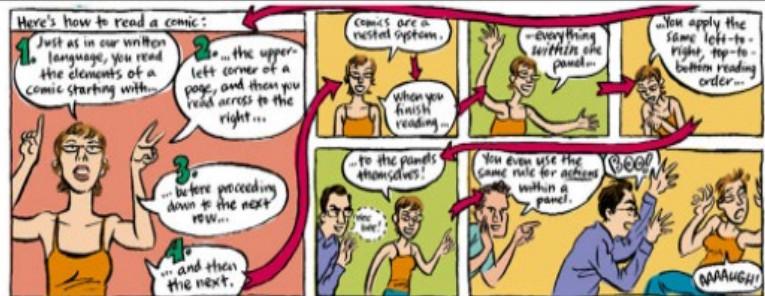
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VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY: Jacqueline Woodson

Jacqueline Woodson's

Collect the stickers for each part of Jacqueline Woodson's life.
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Birth	Childhood	First Book	Poet Laureate	Books	Lifetime Achievements
February 12, 1963: Born	1968: Moved to Brooklyn, NY	1990: Wrote first book, <i>Last Summer with Maizon</i>	June 1, 2015: Became Young People's Poet Laureate	Published Over 30 Books	Lifetime Achievements

Author Study

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Integrates Reading Skills

writing

Jacqueline grew up always writing on everything. She wrote on napkins, notebooks, and shoes. She even drew graffiti. She also got in trouble for telling lies. Except, she says she wasn't really telling lies; they were stories. Once she learned to start writing these "lies" down, she stopped getting in trouble and started getting praised.

Jacqueline remembers being a child and reading book after book and not seeing any characters that looked like her or who had experiences like hers. Watch her talk about what motivates her to tell stories and how she hopes her readers can find themselves in books.



Is there a particular story, movie, or show that you see yourself in?



Meet
**Jacqueline
Woodson**

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Artist-in-Residence

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Social Studies

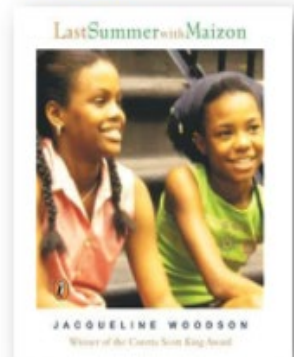
First Book

ⓐ

Jacqueline graduated from Adelphi University and her first job was as a therapist for runaway children. This job inspired many of the heroes in her books. Many of these characters are misfits dealing with difficult life situations and numerous tough decisions. Her first book was published around this time, titled *Last Summer with Maizon*.



To the
Timeline



What could be a benefit of reading characters facing difficult life d

Interactive Timeline

Jacqueline Woodson's Life

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Critical Thinking

poetry

On June 1st, 2015, Jacqueline began a two-year term as Young People's Poet Laureate.

Click here to see Jacqueline's page on the Poetry Foundation's website. Choose one of the poems to read. Then, answer the questions.

*"Awarded by the Poetry Foundation
tenure, the young people's poet laureate
awareness that young people have
receptivity to poetry and are its most
audience, especially when poems
specifically for them."*

1. What is the structure of the poem?

2. What imagery is used in the poem?

3. What is the message of the poem?

Poem Making

your turn: memory poem

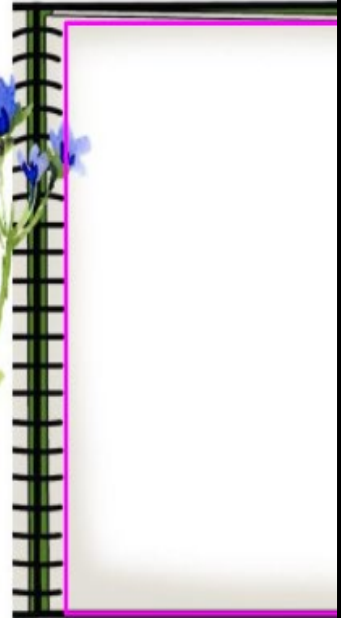
Write down details of a memory that's fresh in your mind.

Now, write your own poem in your

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Place:

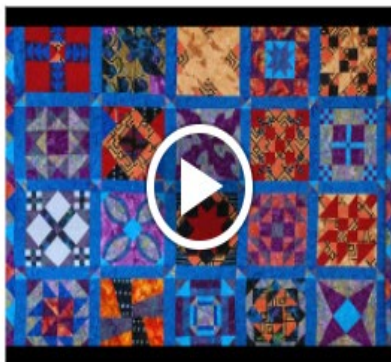
Actions:



Engaging & Educational Media

Freedom Quilts

Show Way talks about how freedom quilts were used by Jacqueline's family. Watch the video to learn a little more about freedom quilts and the codes in them.



Name of Design	Picture	Meaning
Bow Tie		
Bear Paw		
Log Cabin		

VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY:

R.L. Stine

First Works

1. How did Stine begin writing?
2. What personality traits does Stine recall having as a child?

Which of the following did Stine begin writing novels with? Move the star to your answer.

- ☐ laptop
- ☐ paper & pencil
- ☐ typewriter

To the Timeline!

Author Study

Mag! CORE

Integrates Reading Skills

What is an Editor?

A magazine editor is a person who prepares articles for printing and sometimes which articles to put in the magazine. They may also write articles for the magazine, decide the layout, and edit the spelling and grammar of others' articles. The main editor of a newspaper or magazine is called the "editor-in-chief."



Would you like to be an editor? Why or why not?

One of the main reasons why Stine chose to attend Ohio State University was because he wanted to work on *Sundial*. *Sundial* was the school magazine, which was known to be very humorous. And, as we know, R.L. Stine loved to be funny!

Not only did Stine work on the magazine, but he was also the editor for 3 years! This experience opened up many doors.



Biography



Education

Stine attended Ohio State University, located in his hometown of Columbus, Ohio!

There, he spent three years as editor of the school magazine, titled *Sundial*. He recalls skipping class to write humorous articles for the magazine!



Click [here](#) to view the location of Ohio State University on Google Earth. Then, zoom out until you can see the state of Ohio. Move the star to the state of Ohio on the map.



Interactive Timeline

R.L. Stine's Life

Collect the stickers for each part of R.L. Stine's life.
Cut them from each section (Ctrl + X) and paste them here (Ctrl + V) on the

October 8, 1943: Born	A Shy Kid!	1965: Graduated College	<i>Bananas and Blind Date</i>	First Series: <i>Fear Street</i>	Second Series: <i>Goosebumps</i>

Birth



Childhood



Education



First Big
Break



First Big
Series



Second Big
Series





Critical Thinking



First+ Big Break

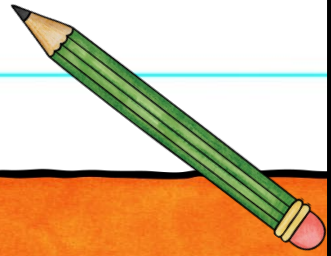
Watch the video about R.L. Stine's first big break. Then, determine whether the five statements are true or false. Write a "T" for true and an "F" for false in the boxes.



- ☐ 1. R.L. Stine never liked scary stories or happy ones.
- ☐ 2. R.L. Stine would get a haircut every day so he could read his favorite comic books.
- ☐ 3. R.L. Stine moved to New York City for college because he wanted to be a writer.
- ☐ 4. R.L. Stine always knew that he would write horror stories for kids!
- ☐ 5. *Blind Date* was Stine's first horror novel for teens! It was unexpectedly a #1 best seller.

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Writing



GOOSEBUMPS Takes Off

1. Was *Goosebumps* an immediate success? Explain.

A large yellow rectangular box with rounded corners, intended for the student's response to question 1.

2. About how long did it take Stine to write each *Goosebumps* book? How do you think he felt about it?

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3. Stine talks about *Goosebumps* taking off despite a lack of advertising and publicizing. Was it surprising, and how does it compare to today?

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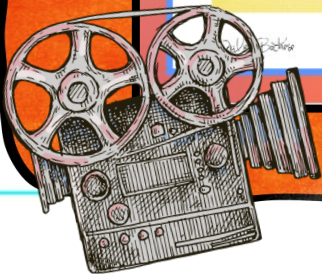
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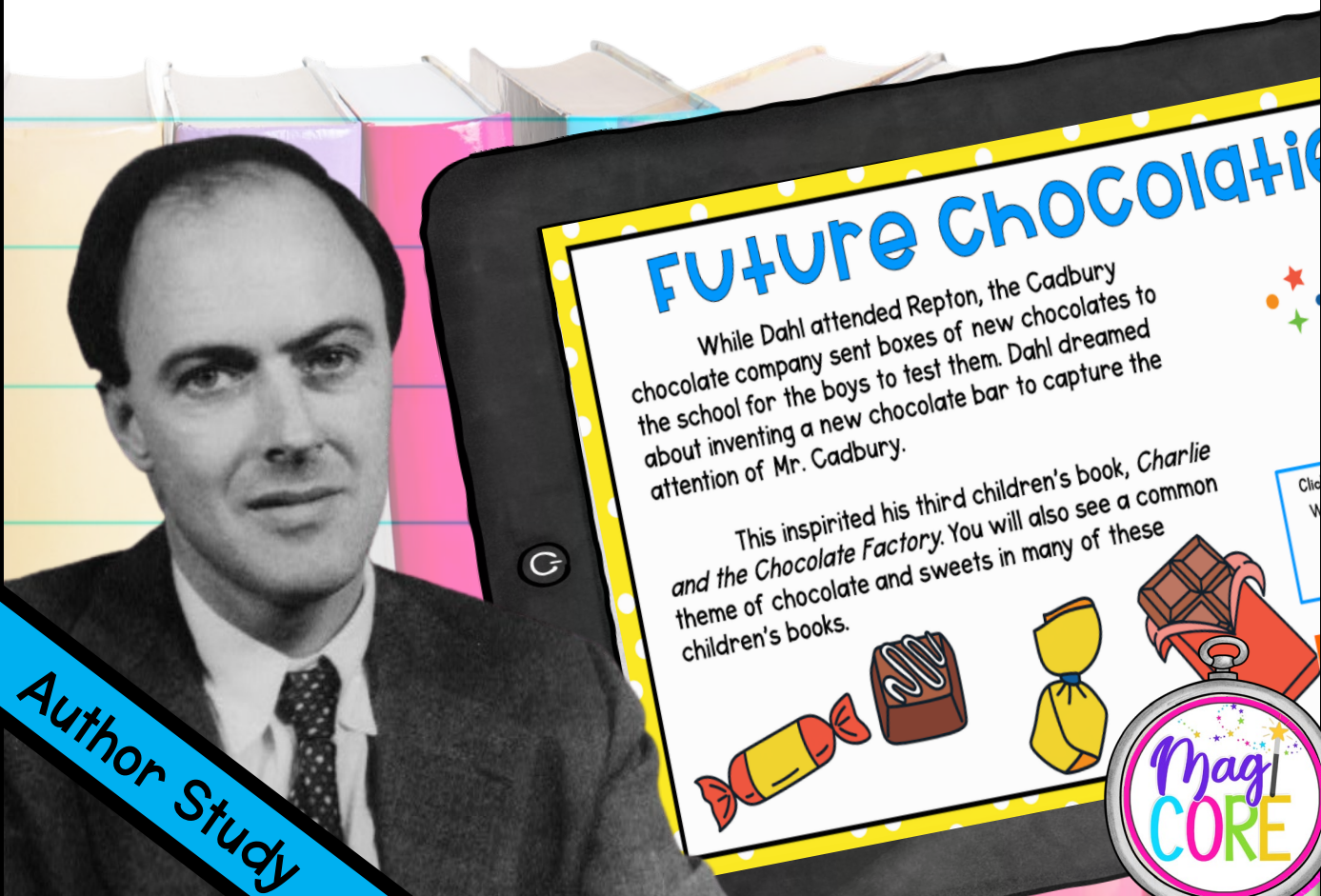
ALL ABOUT GOOSEBUMPS

Watch the videos about R.L. Stine and the creation of *Goosebumps*. Learn how the series took off and became one of the best-selling book series of all time.



VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY:

Roald Dahl



Future Chocolate

While Dahl attended Repton, the Cadbury chocolate company sent boxes of new chocolates to the school for the boys to test them. Dahl dreamed about inventing a new chocolate bar to capture the attention of Mr. Cadbury.

This inspired his third children's book, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. You will also see a common theme of chocolate and sweets in many of these children's books.



Author Study



Integrates Reading Skills

Schooling

Dahl was sent to St. Peter's boarding school in England. Dahl attended a boarding school. He was homesick and regularly wrote letters to his mother about how unhappy he was.



Repton School in
Derbyshire, England.

When Dahl was 13, he went to Repton School. He was subjected to cruel treatment from the older boys and was often beaten. This led him to feel strongly about cruel punishment.

Dahl wrote in his autobiography, "All through my school days I was appalled by the fact that masters and senior boys were allowed literally to wound other boys, and some of the boys were killed. I couldn't get over it. I never have got over it."

Dahl's school experiences likely led to some of the cruel characters in Dahl's children's books. On the next slide, read about some of these characters from *Matilda*.

Read a letter Dahl wrote to his mother about his boarding school. What word did Dahl sign the letter with?

Social Studies

Influences

There is no doubt that Dahl's stories are influenced by his life experiences. One of Dahl's biggest influences is his mother.

In one interview, he mentioned, "She was a great teller of tales. Her memory was prodigious and nothing that ever happened to her in her life was forgotten."

When Dahl started writing and publishing his famous books for children, he included a grandmother character in *The Witches* and later said that she was based directly on his own mother as a tribute.



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To the timeline!



Interactive Timeline

ROALD DAHL'S LIFE

Collect the stickers for each part of Roald Dahl's life. Cut them from each page and paste them here (Ctrl + V) on the timeline

Born September 13, 1916	The Great Mouse Plot of 1924	1934: Joined Shell Petroleum	Married Patricia Neal in 1953	1943: Dahl published his first children's book	
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Birth



School



Early
Career



Family
Life



Writing
Career



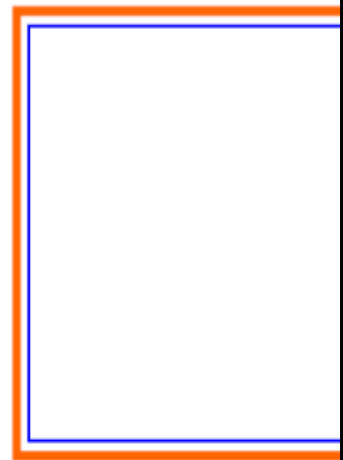
Critical Thinking

Criticism

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, one of Dahl's most famous books, was also critiqued for racist depictions. The Oompa-Loompas were enslaved Africans. Eleanor Cameron pointed out, "the situation of the Oompa-Loompas is real; it could not be more so, and it is anything but funny." In 1991, Michael Irda stated, "the Oompa-Loompas... reveal virtually every stereotype about blacks."

In 1982, Dahl revised the book to address the concerns. In the new edition and the sequel, the Oompa-Loompas were drawn as white characters, and references to enslaved Africans were taken out. This also came at a time when a film based on the movie was announced.

How do you think the criticism of Dahl impacted his legacy?



To the timeline!



Character Study

Character Study

Dahl's book *Matilda* takes place in a school that is likely inspired by Dahl's childhood school experiences. Read about three of the main characters from this story. Jot notes about each character in the boxes in the chart.

Character	Read About Them	Notes About Character
Matilda Wormwood	https://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl/characters/children/matilda-wormwood	
Miss Trunchbull	https://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl/characters/grown-ups/the-trunchbull	
Miss Honey	https://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl/characters/grown-ups/miss-honey	



Engaging & Educational Media

Flying Solo

As World War II began in Europe, Roald Dahl was assigned the position of lieutenant to lead a group of local African soldiers. Soon after, he joined the Royal Air Force as an aircraftman. During this time, he flew solo in a biplane. After more training, he was assigned "pilot officer" and joined a squadron. You can read more about this time in Dahl's life in his second autobiography, *Going Solo*.

Dahl's leather flying helmet.



How did Roald Dahl's experience in the Air Force impact him and his future books?



To the timeline!

