

J. K. ROWLING

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1.1

Work in pairs or groups of three. Discuss the following questions.
Talk with another pair/group.

- a) What are fantasy books? How is fantasy different from science fiction?
- b) What fictional heroes and creatures do you know?
- c) Do you know any Polish authors of fantasy books?

1.2

Match the word to its definition.

anaesthetist • convention • craze • eclectic • goblet • manuscript • orphan • phoenix • surrogate • wizard

- a) something that is extremely popular for a short period of time _____
- b) a child whose parents are dead _____
- c) replacing someone else _____
- d) a large, formal meeting of people who have a similar interest _____
- e) the original copy of a book before it is published _____
- f) a container from which wine is drunk which has a stem and base but no handles _____
- g) an imaginary bird which sets fire to itself every five hundred years and is born again from its ashes

- h) a man who has magical powers _____
- i) combining different methods or ideas _____
- j) a doctor who gives substances to people which make them unable to feel pain _____

Joanne Rowling was born on 31 July 1965 in Yate, Gloucestershire. Her parents are Peter James and Anne Rowling. She has one younger sister, Dianne. She studied French and Classics at the University of Exeter. While she was teaching English in Portugal, she married Jorge Arantes, a television journalist. In 1993 their daughter, Jessica, was born, but the couple separated the same year. In 2001 Rowling married Neil Murray, an anaesthetist, and their son David was born in 2003.



In 1990 Rowling invented the character of a young orphaned wizard called Harry Potter. It took her five years to complete the manuscript of her first book, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. The book was published in 1997, and it was followed by six more novels depicting the story of Harry Potter's struggle with Lord Voldemort, an evil, powerful dark wizard; *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* (1998), *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* (1999), *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* (2000), *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* (2003), *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* (2005) and *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* (2007).

The books are full of magic and the cast of characters is really eclectic. Harry Potter's two closest friends are Ronald Weasley and Hermione Granger, but he can also count on the help of adults: the half-giant Rubeus Hagrid, the powerful wizard Albus Dumbledore, and his surrogate father Sirius Black. Harry Potter also has many enemies and apart from Lord Voldemort he has to confront Draco Malfoy and his father Lucius, and the Dementors, soulless creatures which drain happiness from human beings and force them to relive their worst memories.

J. K. Rowling has won numerous awards for her books, including the prestigious British Book Award. The Harry Potter saga has been translated into over 65 languages. All the volumes of the series were filmed and released worldwide between 2001 and 2011, with *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* split into two films. The craze generated by the saga has been named 'Pottermania'. Fans create fan fiction, interact online in Internet forums, gather at fan conventions, and they also held midnight parties at bookstores when the final four books were released.

1.3

Read the text and answer the following questions.

- a) Where did J.K. Rowling study?
- b) How many times has J.K. Rowling been married?
- c) How long did it take J.K. Rowling to complete the manuscript of her first book?
- d) How many books does the Harry Potter saga consist of?
- e) What are Dementors?
- f) How many languages has the Harry Potter saga been translated into?

1.5

1.4 Work in pairs or groups of three. Discuss the following questions with your partner(s).

- a) Have you ever read any of Harry Potter books? Why? Why not?
- b) Have you ever seen any of Harry Potter films? Why? Why not?
- c) Which character from Harry Potter books do you like the most?
Which character from Harry Potter books do you like the least?
- d) Have you ever tried reading Harry Potter books in English? If not, would you like to?
- e) Which is better: a Harry Potter book or a Harry Potter film?

EXTENSION

2.1 Complete the gaps with suitable words. The number of dashes corresponds to the number of letters.

- a) In 1990 Rowling _____ the character of a young orphaned wizard called Harry Potter.
- b) It took her five years to _____ the manuscript of her first book.
- c) Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was _____ in 1997.
- d) The _____ of characters in the books is really eclectic.
- e) Harry Potter can also _____ on the help of adults.
- f) The Dementors are soulless creatures who drain happiness from _____ beings.
- g) J. K. Rowling has won numerous _____ for her books.
- h) The Harry Potter saga has been translated into over 65 _____.
- i) The first five volumes of the series have been filmed and _____ worldwide.

2.2 Put the correct article in each gap. If no article is required, put '—' in the gap.

- a) She studied _____ French and _____ Classics at _____ University of Exeter.
- b) J. K. Rowling married Jorge Arantes, _____ television journalist.
- c) Seven novels depict _____ story of _____ Harry Potter's struggle with _____ Lord Voldemort, _____ evil, powerful dark wizard.
- d) The books are full of _____ magic.
- e) Harry Potter also has _____ many enemies.
- f) J. K. Rowling has won _____ prestigious British Book Award.
- g) All _____ volumes of _____ Harry Potter saga were filmed and released _____ worldwide.
- h) Fans create _____ fan fiction, interact online in _____ Internet forums and gather at _____ fan conventions.
- i) Fans also held _____ midnight parties at _____ bookstores when _____ final four books were released.

2.3

Put the correct article in each gap. If the article is not required, put '—' in the gap.

- a) Joanne Rowling was born _____ 31 July 1965 _____ Yate, Gloucestershire.
- b) _____ 1990 Rowling invented the character _____ a young orphaned wizard called Harry Potter.
- c) Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was published _____ 1997.
- d) The books are full _____ magic and the cast _____ characters is really eclectic.
- e) J. K. Rowling has won numerous awards _____ her books.
- f) All the volumes _____ the saga were filmed and released worldwide _____ 2001 and 2011
- g) The craze generated _____ the saga has been named 'Pottermania'.

2.4

Prepare a short description of your favourite writer.
Cover at least six of the following points.

- writer's name(s)
- date and place of birth
- date and place of death (if applicable)
- pseudonym(s)
- collaborator(s)
- accolades
- reasons for fame
- typical topics
- type of literature
- adaptation(s) of his/her works

Teacher's Notes

1. The main lesson is intended as a **45-minute session**.
2. Extension provides extra material which can be used during another 45-minute lesson or set as homework.
3. Since the lesson is fact-oriented, encourage students to use internet sources. A reliable website for this lesson is: <https://www.britannica.com/biography/J-K-Rowling>
4. When students look up vocabulary items, encourage them to use English definitions from reliable dictionaries such as dictionary.cambridge.org.

Key

1.1 Students' own answers

1.2 a) craze; b) orphan; c) surrogate; d) convention; e) manuscript; f) goblet; g) phoenix; h) wizard; i) eclectic; j) anaesthetist

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b) JK Rowling has been married twice.
c) It took JK Rowling five years to complete the manuscript of her first book.
d) The Harry Potter saga consists of seven books.
e) Dementors are soulless creatures which drain happiness from human beings.
f) The Harry Potter saga has been translated into over 65 languages.

1.4 Students' own answers

2.1 a) invented; b) complete; c) published; d) cast; e) count; f) human; g) awards; h) languages; i) released

2.2 a) – , – , the; b) a; c) the, – , – , an; d) – ; e) – ; f) the; g) the, the, – h) – , – , –; i) – , – , the

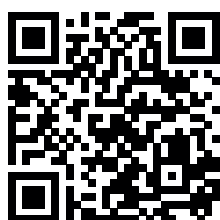
2.3 a) on, in; b) In, of; c) in; d) of, of; e) for; f) of, between; g) by

2.4 Students' own answers

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