

Roald Dahl

Many of you may have read *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* or *Matilda*. However, what do you know about their author, Roald Dahl?

Well, Roald Dahl was born on 13 September 1916 in Llandaff, Wales. He is known as the author of short stories and children's books and has also written autobiographies, novels and poetry. Probably his most famous collection of short stories are *Kiss, Kiss* (*Küsschen, Küsschen* in German) and *Someone Like You* (*Noch ein Küsschen*), and among his children's books *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *The Gremlins*, *James and the Giant Peach* or *Danny, the Champion of the World* have to be mentioned.



Patricia Neal and Roald Dahl, photographed by Carl Van Vechten, April 20, 1954
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If you want to learn more about Roald Dahl's life and work, come and join us on our visit to one of the Roald Dahl websites. The letters behind the right answer will give the name of a famous character in one of Dahl's books, when they are put in the right order.

Let's start! First open the website <http://www.RoaldDahlFans.com>, and then click on "My Dahl Biography" consisting of 7 pages.

On page 1 of "My Dahl Biography" you will find the information for the numbers 1 – 3 below.

- 1 Roald Dahl's father, Harald Dahl, was from
 - Norway (L)
 - Wales (M)
- 2 Elmtree House was the name of the
 - local school in Llandaff (Y)
 - home of the Dahl family in Llandaff (B)
- 3 When Roald was seven years old, his mother sent him to
 - St Peter's, an English boarding school (C)
 - Llandaff Cathedral School (W)

Let's continue with page 2 of "My Dahl Biography".

- 4 After the Dahl family had moved to Kent, Roald was sent off to Repton Public School. He was thirteen by that time. Now and again each pupil at Repton was given a grey cardboard box as a present by the Cadbury company. These boxes contained
 - chocolate bars (A)
 - Cadbury toy cars (D)

