

Welcome to the Roald Dahl Museum



Welcome to the Splendiferous Roald Dahl Museum!
This sheet will tell you lots of interesting facts about the great man but also has lots of activities for you to do.

1 It's all Gobblefunk

The BFG got his words in a terrible muddle. When Roald Dahl created this character, he also created Gobblefunk – the BFG's very own language. Here are a couple of examples from the Gobblefunk dictionary:

Blabbersnitch: an aquatic animal that lives in deep waters

Catspringer: a fast-moving creature that lives in a burrow

Have a go at making up your own new animal. Use the syllables below to make up a name for it.

ies	oct	roo	squink
snot	zee	fizz	ly
fish	cious	plane	ster
stink	hump	whiff	zig
er	tri	fly	a
cent	whizz	jig	tip

Name: _____

Now try writing an encyclopaedia entry for your creature.

Appearance: _____

Habitat: _____

Diet: _____

Likes/dislikes: _____

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Fill in the gaps...

Roald Dahl was born in _____ but both his parents were _____ . He was a bit of a giant at _____ metres tall. Roald didn't enjoy school much because he missed being at home and the school masters could be very cruel. Before he was an author Roald joined the _____ . The first piece of writing he had published was in the Saturday Evening Post in 19____. His first children's book was _____ which is a surprise because I bet you thought it was James and the Giant Peach! Roald Dahl wrote all his stories in a _____ at the bottom of the garden.

Did you know the Chinese edition of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory was the biggest printing of any book ever! Over 2 million copies! What was Roald Dahl's favourite sweet? _____. How long did Charlie and the Chocolate Factory take to write? _____ .

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Your moment of brilliance

Roald Dahl's moment of brilliance and glory was putting a dead mouse in a gobstopper jar. You can find out more about this in the Boy gallery at the Museum. Describe a moment of brilliance and glory in your life. Tell your friend, then write it down here.



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