

Roald Dahl Timeline

- 13th September 1916** Dahl is born in Llandaff, Wales.
- February 1920** Dahl's sister Astri dies.
- March 1920** Harald, Roald's father, dies.
- 1923** Dahl starts school.
- 1925** Dahl is sent to boarding school (St Peter's in Weston-Super-Mare).
- 1929** Dahl is sent to Repton School.
- 1934** Dahl leaves school and begins work for Shell Oil.
- 1938** Dahl moves to Dar-es-Salaam in Tanzania.
- November 1939** Dahl enlists in the RAF.
- 1940** Roald's plane crashes in the Libyan desert.
- 1941** Dahl returns to Britain.
- 1942** Dahl is posted to Washington D.C.
- August 1942** Dahl's first piece of writing is published in a newspaper.
- 1943** The Gremlins, Dahl's first book, is published.
- 1951** Dahl meets Patricia Neal.
- 2nd July 1953** Patricia Neal and Roald Dahl marry in New York.
- 1954** Dahl moves to Great Missenden.
- 20th April 1955** Dahl's daughter Olivia is born.
- 11th April 1957** Dahl's daughter Chantal (Tessa) is born.
- 30th July 1960** Dahl's son Theo is born.
- 5th December 1960** Theo is injured in a car accident in New York.
- 1961** James and the Giant Peach is published.
- 17th November 1962** Roald and Patricia's daughter Olivia dies.
- 1964** Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is published.
- 12th May 1964** Dahl's daughter Ophelia is born.
- 4th August 1965** Dahl's daughter Lucy is born.
- 17th November 1967** Dahl's mother Sofie dies.
- 1968** Fantastic Mr Fox is published.
- 1971** The film 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory' is released.
- 1975** Danny, Champion of the World is published.
- 1977** Dahl's first grandchild, Sophie Dahl, is born.
- 1981** Dahl separates from Patricia Neal.
- 1982** The BFG is published.
- 1983** Dahl marries Felicity Crosland.
- 1984** Boy, Dahl's childhood autobiography, is published.
- 1988** Matilda is published.
- 23rd November 1990** Dahl dies in Oxford.
- 2006** Roald Dahl Day is first celebrated.
- December 2010** Musical the Matilda first performed at Stratford-upon-Avon.
- 13th September 2016** 100th Anniversary of Roald Dahl's birth.

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- 2) How old was Roald when his father died?
- 3) Where is Dar-es-Salaam?
- 4) Where was Roald's first piece of writing published?
- 5) What was the name of Dahl's first book?
- 6) When did Roald Dahl first marry?
- 7) How many years ago was James and the Giant Peach published?
- 8) How many years after the publication of the book was the movie version of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' released?
- 9) What is the name of Dahl's first grandchild?
- 10) What is Roald Dahl's childhood autobiography called?
- 11) How many years ago was Matilda published?
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Llandaff, Wales.

2) How old was Roald when his father died?

Three years old.

3) Where is Dar-es-Salaam?

Tanzania.

4) Where was Roald's first piece of writing published?

In a newspaper.

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The Gremlins.

6) When did Roald Dahl first marry?

2nd July 1953.

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7 years.

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Sophie

10) What is Roald Dahl's childhood autobiography called?

Boy

11) How many years ago was Matilda published?

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12) Why is 13th September 2016 a special date?

It is the 100th anniversary of Roald Dahl's birth.

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