



## Year 3 English Graduate Award Scheme

### What is a biography?

A biography is a piece of non-fiction writing all about a person and their life. It is written about them by somebody else. If the person writes it themselves, it is called an autobiography.

A biography includes lots of information about the person's life and their achievements.

### Who is Roald Dahl?

Roald Dahl was a British novelist, short-story writer, poet, screenwriter, and wartime fighter pilot. His books have sold more than 250 million copies worldwide.

Roald Dahl was born in Wales on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 1916 and died on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November 1990. He served in the Royal Air Force (RAF) during the Second World War. He became a writer in the 1940s with books for children and adults, and he became one of the world's best-selling authors. He has been referred to as "**one of the greatest storytellers for children of the 20<sup>th</sup> century**".



### What has he written?

Some of Roald Dahl's famous children's books are:

James and the Giant Peach

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Matilda

The Witches

Fantastic Mr Fox

The BFG

The Twits

George's Marvellous Medicine.

### Element 1

Choose one of Roald Dahl's famous books to read. Share it with an adult at home and talk about what you like about it.

Draw and label a scene from the story.



### Example questions

1. When and where was Roald Dahl born?
2. Who were Roald Dahl's parents?
3. What did he do during the second world war?

### Element 2

Using what you now know about the author, write a biography about them.

Use these headings: Names. Growing up. Books written. Special Facts. Favourite book (include a description and why we should read it)