
FAMOUS BRITISH WRITERS

William Shakespeare

(1564-1616)

a great English writer. He is one of the most famous ever. He was born 1564 in Stratford - on - Avon. His plays and tragedies *Romeo and Juliet*, *Julius Caesar*, *Hamlet*, *Othello*, *King Lear*, *Macbeth* are well- known. He wrote comedies, historical plays and some very good poetry, especially the Sonnets.



Daniel Defoe

(1660-1731)

a well-known English writer who wrote one of the first novels in the history of English literature .It was *Robinson Crusoe* (1719). He was born in London. He visited many countries and met many people. That helped him to write his stories.



Jonathan Swift

(1667-1745)

a famous English writer, was born in a poor family in Dublin, Ireland. He wanted the Irish people to be happy. He wrote satirical novels. The most famous novel is *Gulliver's Travels*. It is about England of his time.



Robert Burns

(1759-1796)

a famous Scottish poet.
His birthplace is
Alloway in South West
Scotland. He wrote
hundreds of songs and
poems. They are about
country life, love and
national life.



Walter Scott

(1771-1832)

a Scottish writer and poet. He is famous for his stories of Scottish life, which are based on historical characters. The most popular are *Ivanhoe* and *The Heart of Midlothian*.



Jane Austen

(1775 – 1817)

an English novelist, whose works include *Sense and Sensibility*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Emma*. Her masterful use of language and irony made Austen one of the most influential and honored novelists in English literature.



Charles Dickens

(1812-1870)

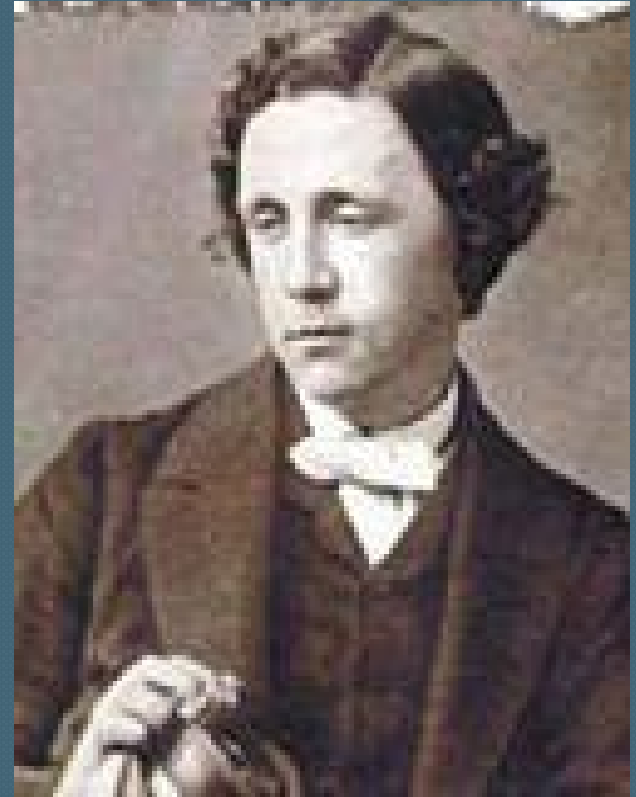


an English novelist, the greatest one of all. His *The Pickwick Papers*, *Oliver Twist*, *A Christmas Carol*, *David Copperfield* are very popular. He describes life in Victorian England and shows how hard it was for the poor and for children.

Lewis Carroll

(1832-1898)

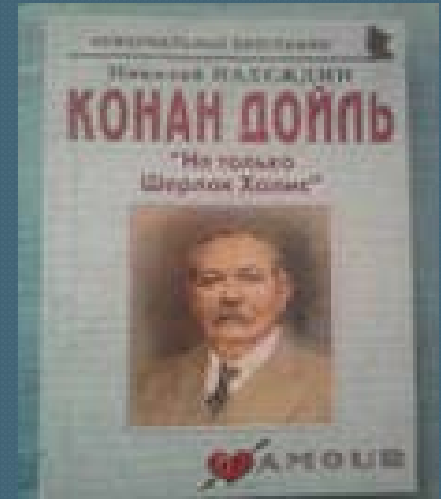
the pen name of Charles
Lutwidge Dodgson, the
English writer who wrote
two well-known children's
stories, *Alice's Adventures in
Wonderland* and *Through
the Looking Glass*



Sir Arthur Ignatius Conan Doyle

(1859 —1930)

a great Scottish and English writer, the author of the well-known crime about Sherlock Holmes. He wrote many adventures and science fiction stories.





Joseph Rudyard Kipling

(1865-1936)

a famous English writer, was born in Bombay, India. He wrote very popular stories about animals (*The Jungle Book, 1894, The Second Jungle Book, 1895*), some books on history and poems (*The Seven Seas, 1896*) and others.

Agatha Christie

(1890-1976)



an English writer of popular books and plays. Her most famous characters are the detectives Miss Marple and Hercule Poirot. *Murder on the Orient Express* and *Death on the Nile* are her best-known books

Barbara Cartland

(1901 –2000)

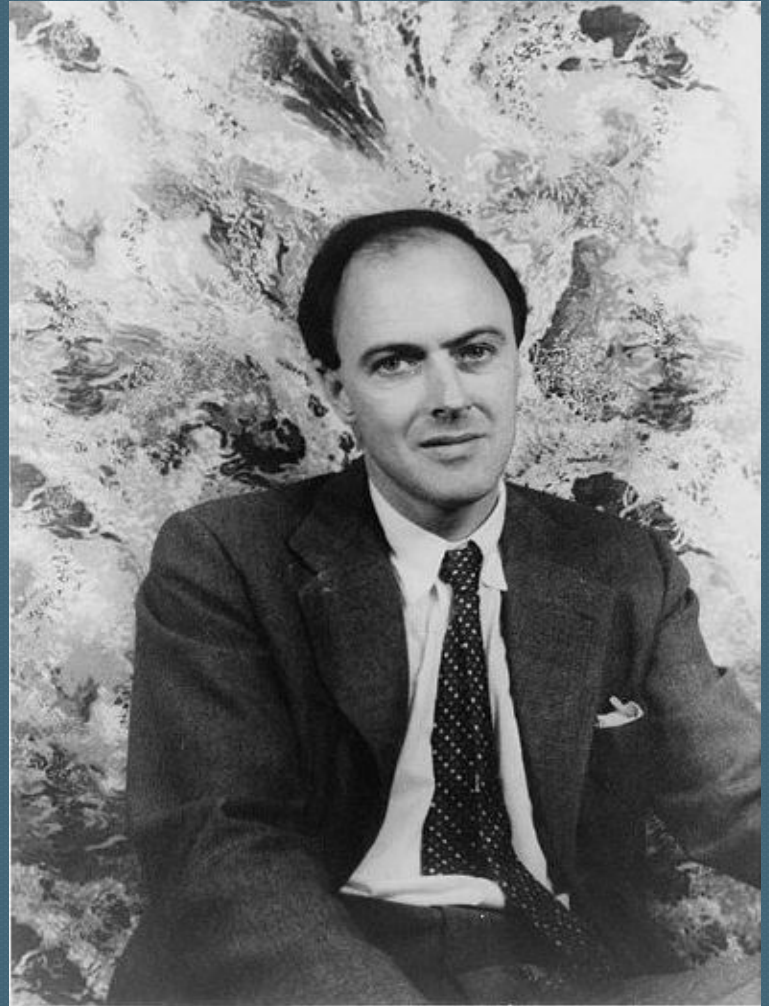
Mary Barbara Hamilton is one of the most prolific writers of the 20-th century. She published 723 books. Her books are translated in 38 languages and she is put down into the Guinness Book of Records. She wrote about love.



Roald Dahl

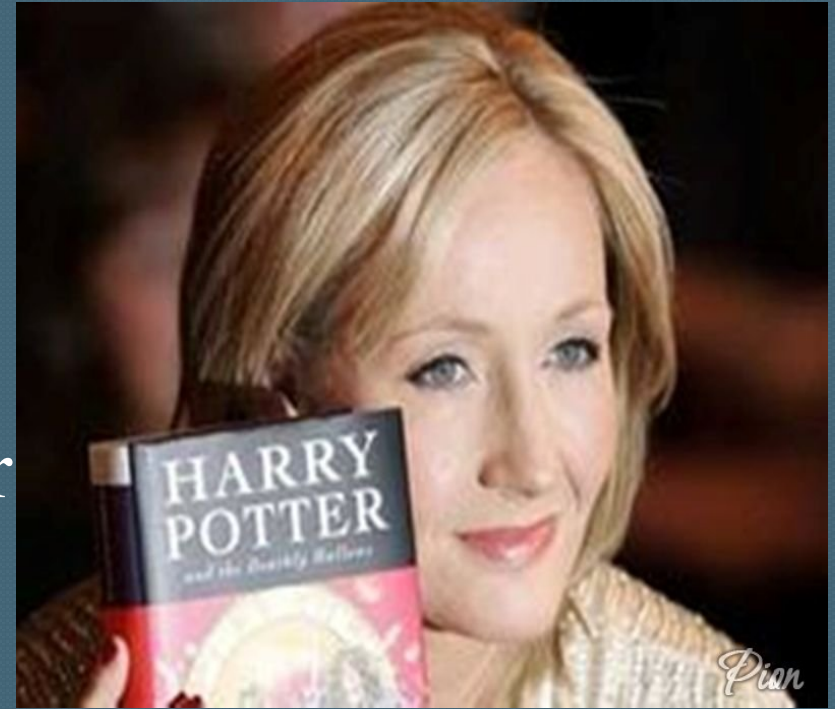
(1916 -1990)

one of the most popular writers of the books in Britain. He is a remarkable novelist and short story writer. His *Going Solo*, *Charlie and Chocolate Factory* are wonderful. He vividly describes his characters and develop fabulous stories.



Joanne Rowling

was born in July 1965 at Yate General Hospital in England and grew up in Chipstow. She is the author of one of the most popular British children's books about young magician Harry Potter.



Match the titles of the books

Joanne Rowling	Murder on the Orient Express
Roald Dahl	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Lewis Carroll	The Jungle Book
Agatha Christie	Robinson Crusoe
William Shakespeare	Gulliver's Travels
Daniel Defoe	Harry Potter
Joseph Rudyard Kipling	Chocolate Factory
Jonathan Swift	Romeo and Juliet

Introduction to the author and the book

Title?

Who / Written by?

When / published?

Type of book?

Is it popular / well – known?

Introduction to the character and the outline of the plot

Setting: Where/ When does the story take place?

Plot: What is the story about?
Who are the main characters?
What are they like?
What happens?
What is the ending

YOUR OPINION OF THE BOOK

Did you enjoy it?

Use the following phrases stating your opinion: I'm sure...

Definitely...

Certainly...

I think...

Actually...

Who would you recommend it?