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J. K. ROWLING - FACT SHEET

Read through the facts about J. K. Rowling and then answer the questions.

1. J. K. Rowling was born Joanne Rowling in England on 31 July, 1965.
2. 'K' is the initial of her grandmother's name 'Kathleen'.
3. J.K. Rowling is one of the most successful authors of all time, selling over 400 million books.
4. She is the British author of the Harry Potter series of books for children.
5. She came up with the idea for the Harry Potter books in 1990 when she was on a train ride to London. When she arrived at her flat in London she began planning the story.
6. She wrote her first book when she was six years old and it was called **Rabbit**. Rabbit is visited by his friends when he gets sick with the measles.
7. Harry Potter and J.K. Rowling share the same birthday.
8. She named Harry Potter after a childhood friend, Ian Potter.
9. Her favourite subjects in school were English and languages.
10. Her seventh and final Harry Potter book, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, broke sales records as the fastest-selling book ever!
11. J.K. Rowling lives in Edinburgh with her husband and three children.



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Questions

1. Which year was J.K. Rowling born?

a. 1964

b. 1963

c. 1965

d. 1960

2. What does the initial 'K' stand for in her name? _____

3. How many Harry Potter books did J. K. Rowling write? _____

4. *Where* did she come up with the idea for the Harry Potter books?

5. Have you read any Harry Potter books? If yes, which ones have you read?

6. Which of these books was **not** written by J. K. Rowling?

a. Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

b. Quidditch Through the Ages

c. James and the Giant Peach

d. Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows

7. Where does J. K. Rowling live? _____

8. How many children does she have? _____

9. What was the first book that J. K. Rowling wrote? _____

10. What was the book about? _____

10. Can you fill in the missing words to these titles?

a. Harry Potter and the _____ Stone

b. Harry Potter and the Half-Blood _____

c. Harry Potter and the Prisoner of _____

d. Harry Potter and the _____ of Fire