

Boy Roald Dahl

Welcome to the wondercrump world of all things Roald Dahl, filled with fantastic facts, exciting extras, quirky quizzes and much more! Join Roald Dahl's best-loved characters for a bumper book of... *Marvellous extra material *Fantastic quizzes *Curious characters *Amazing activities *Funny factfiles * . . . and much more! The perfect companion to the iconic world of Roald Dahl's stories, fun for young and old!

Boy and Going Solo is the whole of Roald Dahl's extraordinary autobiography in one volume. Roald Dahl wasn't always a writer. Once he was just a schoolboy. Have you ever wondered what he was like growing up? In BOY you'll find out why he and his friends took revenge on the beastly Mrs Pratchett who ran the sweet shop. He remembers what it was like taste-testing chocolate for Cadbury's and he even reveals how his nose was nearly sliced off. Then in GOING SOLO you'll read stories of whizzing through the air in a Tiger Moth Plane, encounters with hungry lions, and the terrible crash that led him to storytelling. Roald Dahl tells his story in his own words - and it's all TRUE. And now you can listen to all of Roald Dahl's novels for children on Roald Dahl Audiobooks read by some very famous voices, including Kate Winslet, David Walliams and Steven Fry - plus there are added squelchy soundeffects from Pinewood Studios! Also look out for new Roald Dahl apps in the App store and Google Play- including the disgusting TWIT OR MISS! and HOUSE OF TWITS inspired by the revolting Twits.

Features five of the author's best early stories: title selection plus "The Phantom Rickshaw," "Wee Willie Winkie," "Without Benefit of Clergy" and "The Strange Ride of Morrowbie Jukes." 'The ultimate children's story' - David Walliams Greetings to you, the lucky finder of this Gold

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Ticket from Mr Willy Wonka! I shake you warmly by the hand! Tremendous things are in store for you! One miraculous moment changes Charlie Bucket's life forever. A boy who only gets to eat cabbage soup for breakfast, lunch and dinner finds a Golden Ticket that will take him into Willy Wonka's magical chocolate factory. Joining him on the tour are four horrible blighters: Augustus Gloop - a great big greedy nincompoop, Veruca Salt - a spoiled brat, Violet Beauregarde - a repulsive little gum-chewer and Mike Teavee - a TV addict. With a chocolate river, crafty squirrels and mysterious Oompa Loompas, Mr Wonka's chocolate factory is the strangest, most magnificent place Charlie has ever seen. What other surprises are in store for the lucky ticket winners? Roald Dahl's bone chilling classic *The Witches* is soon to be a major motion picture, starring Anne Hathaway.

BoyTales of ChildhoodRandom House

A murder with three witnesses. But one of them doesn't believe what she saw... Halloween, Whitby. DCI Jim Oldroyd's daughter Louise is in town with friends for a goth festival. But their visit to an escape room ends in bloody murder when one of the group stabs his girlfriend and flees the scene. It's a crime with three witnesses--but Louise refuses to take what she saw at face value. Oldroyd and DS Carter are called in to solve the case, assisted from the sidelines by Louise. But the closer they investigate, the more complex the web of deceit appears. This is no straightforward crime of passion. With a violent murderer on the loose, it's only a matter of time before they strike again. And this time it's personal. Oldroyd must expose the truth, protect his daughter and stop the horror before it's too late.

Korean edition of *Boy* by Roald Dahl. Illustrated by Quentin Blake, translated by Jeong Hwoi Seong. In Korean. Distributed by Tsai Fong Books, Inc.

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An arresting new cover look for this bewitching story in the best tradition of Dahl's dark tales. A treasure trove of Dahl! Amazing facts - some funny, some silly - and an original chapter from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory make this a splendiferous, surprising and delicious treat from the wonderful world of Roald Dahl!

'Required reading.' - Cosmopolitan 'This should be read as a sacred text. Here, you will bear witness to a perpetual salvation song.' - Jason Reynolds Remember that moment when you first encountered a character who seemed to be written just for you? That feeling of belonging remains with readers the rest of their lives - but not everyone regularly sees themselves reflected on the pages of a book. In this timely anthology, Glory Edim, founder of the online community, Well-Read Black Girl, brings together original essays by some of America's best black women writers to shine a light on how important it is that we all - regardless of gender, race, religion, or ability - have the opportunity to find ourselves in literature. Whether it's learning about the complexities of femalehood from Zora Neale Hurston and Toni Morrison, finding a new type of love in *The Color Purple*, or using mythology to craft an alternative black future, each essay reminds us why we turn to books in times of both struggle and relaxation. As she has done with her book club-turned-online community, Edim has created a space where black women's writing, knowledge and life experiences are lifted up, to be shared with all readers who value the power of a story to help us understand the world, and ourselves. Contributors include: Jesmyn Ward, Lynn Nottage, Jacqueline Woodson,

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Gabourey Sidibe, Morgan Jerkins, Tayari Jones, Rebecca Walker, and Barbara Smith. 'Essential reading for the twenty-first-century reader. This book is smart, powerful, and complete.' - Min Jin Lee, author of Pachinko

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keys. Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock a digital book and audio edition (not available with the eBook).

Roald Dahl's life was as bizarre, frightening, exciting and funny as the stories he wrote. Now you can read the whole of his extraordinary autobiography in one volume.

A multi award winning actor, writer, comedian and presenter known for his warmth, humour and inspired impressions, Rob Brydon has quickly become one of our very favourite entertainers. But there was a time when it looked like all we'd hear of Rob was his gifted voice.

Fun-to-perform plays for the classroom. A collection of seven short playlets following the story of Roald Dahl's book in sequence. Some are for three or four actors and a couple are ideal for performance by a whole class. Full of humour, excitement and magic and true to the spirit of Dahl's work. Similar in format to *The Twits* and *The BFG: Plays for Children*. Adapted by David Wood, well-known in children's theatre (most recently for *Goodnight Mister Tom*).

Meet Christopher Pumpkin - the Halloween pumpkin who doesn't want to be scary! A funny rhyming story from the authors of *Supertato* and the creators of *Simon Sock*. Christopher Pumpkin is delighted to be magicked to life by a witch - until he discovers she wants him and the other pumpkins to get her creepy castle ready for the spookiest party ever! Chris just can't bring himself to hang cobwebs and cook curried slugs - he's much more into bunting and fairy cakes! A delightful story about blazing your own trail,

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perfect for reading aloud! Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet's hilarious books have sold over 1 million copies!

In *The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar*, seven tales of the bizarre and unexpected are told by the grand master of the short story, Roald Dahl. Enter a brilliant, sinister and wholly unpredictable world. Here you will find the suggestion of other-worldly goings on in a dark story about a swan and a boy; the surprising tale of a wealthy young wastrel who suddenly develops a remarkable new ability; and meet the hitchhiker whose light-fingers save the day. 'An unforgettable read, don't miss it' *Sunday Times* Roald Dahl, the brilliant and worldwide acclaimed author of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *Matilda*, and many more classics for children, also wrote scores of short stories for adults. These delightfully disturbing tales have often been filmed and were most recently the inspiration for the West End play, *Roald Dahl's Twisted Tales* by Jeremy Dyson. Roald Dahl's stories continue to make readers shiver today.

In Giamaica un'enorme tartaruga marina viene catturata da un pescatore, che vuole ucciderla per vendere la carne e il carapace. Il piccolo David, però, colto da un'irrefrenabile crisi isterica, riesce a far liberare l'animale, convincendo suo padre a pagare per la sua salvezza. Ormai fra l'animale e David è nato un legame che nessuno potrà più sciogliere e che li porterà assai lontano... Il testo, in lingua originale, è arricchito da: • Glossari con la traduzione delle parole più interessanti o difficili; • Note su strutture della lingua, forme idiomatiche o familiari, registri espressivi, phrasal verbs...; • Reading Comprehension Exercises.

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Roald Dahl got all of his wonderful ideas for stories from his own life. He told the story of his childhood in *Boy*. Now More about *Boy* features behind-the-scenes material, plus some secrets he left out.

Humorous anecdotes from the author's childhood describe summer vacations in Norway and life in an English boarding school.

The author describes his summer vacations as a child in Norway, life in an English boarding school, adventures as a young man working in East Africa for the Shell Company, and being a fighter pilot in World War II.

These quick, engaging activities help students enjoy the humorous literature of Roald Dahl. Cross-curricular before-, during-, and after-reading activities are provided for a comprehensive study of *Boy* Tales of Childhood.

'Has the power to move hearts and change minds' Guardian 'Tremendously uplifting and a novel of all-too-rare power' Sunday Express 'An amazing book . . . I absolutely loved it. I cried my eyes out' Tom Fletcher Read the award-winning, multi-million copy bestselling phenomenon that is *WONDER*. 'My name is August. I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse.' Auggie wants to be an ordinary ten-year-old. He does ordinary things - eating ice cream, playing on his Xbox. He feels ordinary - inside. But ordinary kids don't make other ordinary kids run away screaming in playgrounds. Ordinary kids aren't stared at wherever they go. Born with a terrible facial abnormality, Auggie has been home-schooled by his parents his whole life. Now, for the first time, he's being sent to a real school - and he's dreading it. All he wants is to be accepted - but can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, underneath it all? A funny, frank, astonishingly moving debut - and a

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true global phenomenon - to read in one sitting, pass on to others, and remember long after the final page.

In *Going Solo*, the world's favourite storyteller, Roald Dahl, tells of life as a fighter pilot in Africa. 'They did not think for one moment that they would find anything but a burnt-out fuselage and a charred skeleton, and they were astounded when they came upon my still-breathing body lying in the sand nearby.' In 1938 Roald Dahl was fresh out of school and bound for his first job in Africa, hoping to find adventure far from home. However, he got far more excitement than he bargained for when the outbreak of the Second World War led him to join the RAF. His account of his experiences in Africa, crashing a plane in the Western Desert, rescue and recovery from his horrific injuries in Alexandria, flying a Hurricane as Greece fell to the Germans, and many other daring deeds, recreates a world as bizarre and unnerving as any he wrote about in his fiction. 'Very nearly as grotesque as his fiction. The same compulsive blend of wide-eyed innocence and fascination with danger and horror' *Evening Standard* 'A non-stop demonstration of expert raconteurship' *The New York Times Book Review* Roald Dahl, the brilliant and worldwide acclaimed author of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *James and the Giant Peach*, *Matilda*, and many more classics for children, also wrote scores of short stories for adults. These delightfully disturbing tales have often been filmed and were most recently the inspiration for the West End play, *Roald Dahl's Twisted Tales* by Jeremy Dyson. Roald Dahl's stories continue to make readers shiver today.

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thirteen, and in the eyes of the law, that makes him a man. He wants to study to become a chemist, but his family cannot afford for him to continue school. The thought of a life working the docks makes Fearon break down in front of his classmates, but there is no time to cry. This boy has to get to work. The docks are hellish, and Fearon's first day is his last. He hops a steamer to Alexandria, looking for a better life on the sea, but everywhere he goes, he finds cruelty, vice, and the crushing weight of adulthood. He will not be a man for long. The subject of an infamous 1930s obscenity trial, this is the original, unexpurgated text of James Hanley's landmark novel: an unflinching examination of child labor and a timeless tale of adulthood gained too soon.

Roald Dahl's account of his childhood is now reissued in a beautiful hardcover format, with -- for the first time -- Quentin Blake's stunning illustrations. Roald Dahl writing about his own childhood is a treat for any Dahl fan -- young or old. These stories are warm, touching, funny and show the development of one of the UK's most treasured children's writers.

Roald Dahl's darkly funny masterpiece, *The Witches*, now available as a graphic novel from Eisner Award-winning artist Pénélope Bagieu! Witches are real, and they are very, very dangerous. They wear ordinary clothes and have ordinary jobs, living in ordinary towns all across the world -- and there's nothing they despise more than children. When an eight-year-old boy and his grandmother come face-to-face with the Grand High Witch herself, they may be the only ones who can stop the witches' latest plot to stamp out every last child in the country! This full-color graphic novel edition of Roald Dahl's *The Witches*, adapted and illustrated by Eisner Award winner Pénélope Bagieu, is the first-ever Dahl story to appear in this format. Graphic novel readers and Roald Dahl fans alike will relish this dynamic new take

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on a uniquely funny tale.

William and Mary is a brilliant gem of a short story from Roald Dahl, the master of the sting in the tail. In William and Mary, Roald Dahl, one of the world's favourite authors, tells a sinister story about the darker side of human nature. Here, a wronged woman takes revenge on her dead husband . . . William and Mary is taken from the short story collection Kiss Kiss, which includes ten other devious and shocking stories, featuring the wife who pawns the mink coat from her lover with unexpected results; the priceless piece of furniture that is the subject of a deceitful bargain; a husband and wife who hit upon a novel way to feed their baby; and others. 'Unnerving bedtime stories, subtle, proficient, hair-raising and done to a turn.' (San Francisco Chronicle) This story is also available as a Penguin digital audio download read by Juliet Stevenson and Adrian Scarborough. Roald Dahl, the brilliant and worldwide acclaimed author of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, James and the Giant Peach, Matilda, and many more classics for children, also wrote scores of short stories for adults. These delightfully disturbing tales have often been filmed and were most recently the inspiration for the West End play, Roald Dahl's Twisted Tales by Jeremy Dyson. Roald Dahl's stories continue to make readers shiver today.

The Wish is a short, sharp, chilling story from Roald Dahl, the master of the shocking tale In The Wish, Roald Dahl, one of the world's favourite authors, tells a sinister story about the darker side of human nature. Here, an imaginative boy plays a game that quickly gets out of hand . . . The Wish is taken from the short story collection Someone Like You, which includes seventeen other devious and shocking stories, featuring the wife who serves a dish that baffles the police; a curious machine that reveals the horrifying truth about plants; the man waiting to

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be bitten by the venomous snake asleep on his stomach; and others. 'The absolute master of the twist in the tale.' (Observer) This story is also available as a Penguin digital audio download read by the sublime Stephen Mangan. Roald Dahl, the brilliant and worldwide acclaimed author of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, James and the Giant Peach, Matilda, and many more classics for children, also wrote scores of short stories for adults. These delightfully disturbing tales have often been filmed and were most recently the inspiration for the West End play, Roald Dahl's Twisted Tales by Jeremy Dyson. Roald Dahl's stories continue to make readers shiver today.

'Dear Mama, I am having a lovely time here. We play football every day here. The beds have no springs . . .' So begins the first letter that a nine-year-old Roald Dahl penned to his mother, Sofie Magdalene, under the watchful eye of his boarding-school headmaster. For most of his life, Roald Dahl would continue to write weekly letters to his mother, chronicling his adventures, frustrations and opinions, from the delights of childhood to the excitements of flying as a World War II fighter pilot and the thrill of meeting top politicians and movie stars during his time as a diplomat and spy in Washington. And, unbeknown to Roald, his mother lovingly kept every single one of them. Sofie was, in many ways, Roald's first reader. It was she who encouraged him to tell stories and nourished his desire to fabricate, exaggerate and entertain. Reading these letters, you can see Roald practicing his craft, developing the dark sense of humour and fantastical imagination that would later produce such timeless tales as The BFG, Matilda, Fantastic Mr Fox and The Witches. The letters in Love from Boy are littered with jokes and madcap observations; sometimes serious, sometimes tender, and often outrageous. To eavesdrop on a son's letters to his mother is to witness Roald Dahl turning from a boy to a

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man, and finally becoming a writer.

Meet Tim Bazzett, fifty years ago. This book is not so much a memoir as a rambling and luminous letter he is writing to his kids. In it he pays tribute and homage to his parents, to his teachers, and to Reed City, the town that shaped him. Mining his earliest memories, Bazzett tells of childhood scrapes, homemade toys, playing cowboys and "war" and even comes clean about an embarrassing feat of flatulence in a most unlikely place which became legend in family lore. He takes you along to Indian Lake, where he spent his summers swimming, and to Saturday matinees at the Reed Theater, where he learned homespun values from Gene and Roy. You'll meet the nuns who educated him at St. Philip's School, where he learned to dance and diagram. Early struggles with sex, sin and "Catholic guilt" are given their due, along with a short-lived religious vocation and a stint at the seminary. A "pseudo-farm kid," Bazzett tells too of his trials with cows, chickens, and picking pickles; and of lessons in "animal psychology" learned from his grandfather. His high school years are marred by pimples, dorkiness, and pining for the "popular" girls, but brightened by a few close friends and some minor successes on the basketball court. He loves some of his teachers, clashes with others, and even terrorizes one, as he fumbles his way toward manhood. It's all here - the work, the play, the frustrations and the joys of growing up working-class and Catholic in the heart of small-town America. Anyone who has been there will chuckle, remember and relate to Reed City Boy. This new rebrand of MORE ABOUT BOY is a favourite book containing a wealth of new photos, facts and writings about Roald Dahl and his childhood, together with the original text and illustrations from his much-loved memoir. With lots of little-known details, this is a must-have for all Dahl fans! Look out for new Roald Dahl apps in the App store and Google Play-

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including the disgusting TWIT OR MISS! and HOUSE OF TWITS inspired by the revolting Twits.

THE WITCHES, Roald Dahl's most scary story for children, in a large format, full colour paperback edition. With Quentin Blake's brilliant line artwork in full colour, THE WITCHES is a must-have for children collecting all of the Roald Dahl in full-colour format including CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY, FANTASTIC MR FOX, THE TWITS, GEORGE'S MARVELLOUS MEDICINE, JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH, ESIO TROT and THE MAGIC FINGER.

A new edition of the well-loved story of Danny and his father who outwit their greedy, rich neighbour, Mr Victor Hazell. With a great new cover by Quentin Blake as well as a whole new exciting end section about Roald Dahl and his world.

Literary ombudsman John Crace never met an important book he didnt like to deconstruct. From Salman Rushdie to John Grisham, Crace retells the big books in just 500 biting satirical words, pointing his pen at the clunky plots, stylistic tics and pretensions to Big Ideas, as he turns publishers golden dream books into dross. In the grand tradition of Tom Lehrer and Stan Freberg, Crace takes the books that produce the most media hype and retells each story in its authors inimitable style. Philip Roth, Don DeLillo, Margaret Drabble, Paul Auster, Alice Sebold, John Updike, Tom Wolfe, Ruth Rendell, A.S. Byatt, John LeCarre, Michael Crichton and Ian McEwan all emerge delightfully scathed in this book that makes it easy to talk knowingly about books youve never bothered to read or, for that matter, should have.

John Reynolds Gardiner's classic action-packed adventure story about a thrilling dogsled race

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has captivated readers for more than thirty years. Based on a Rocky Mountain legend, Stone Fox tells the story of Little Willy, who lives with his grandfather in Wyoming. When Grandfather falls ill, he is no longer able to work the farm, which is in danger of foreclosure. Little Willy is determined to win the National Dogsled Race—the prize money would save the farm and his grandfather. But he isn't the only one who desperately wants to win. Willy and his brave dog Searchlight must face off against experienced racers, including a Native American man named Stone Fox, who has never lost a race. Exciting and heartwarming, this novel has sold millions of copies and was named a New York Times Outstanding Children's Book.

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