

# Roald Dahl Day

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Did you know that Roald  
Dahl hated beards?

His distaste for beards  
was the inspiration for  
the character of Mr Twit  
and his grimy beard!



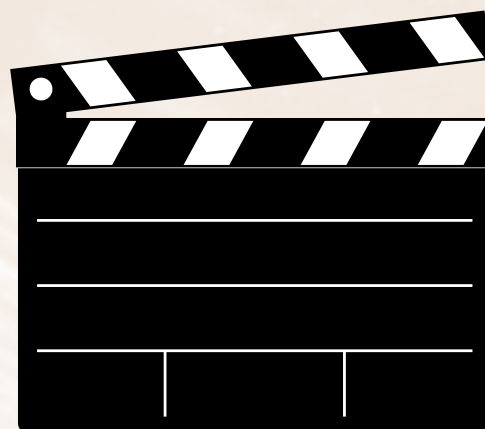


Did you know that Roald Dahl helped invent a life-saving device?

After his young son Theo suffered a brain injury, he helped invent a special shunt to help drain fluid from the brain. It went on to save over 3,000 lives!



Did you know that Roald  
Dahl wrote the screen  
plays for Chitty Chitty  
Bang Bang and the  
James Bond movie, *You  
Only Live Twice*?





Did you know that Roald Dahl  
didn't enjoy going to the  
cinema?

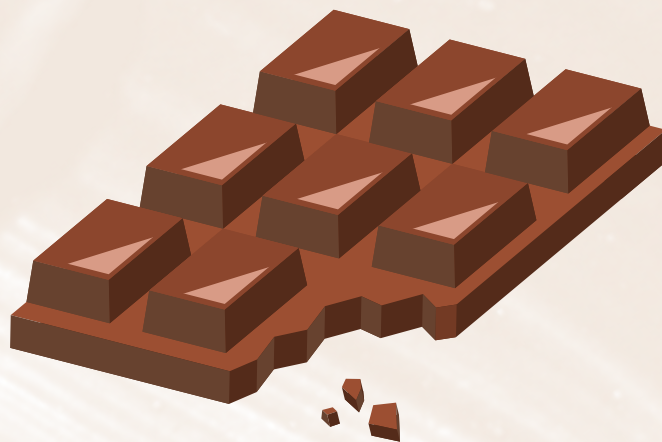
He was six foot, six inches tall  
and found that there was  
never enough leg room at the  
cinema!



Did you know that Roald Dahl  
loved chocolate?

Chocolate features in many of  
his stories.

Funnily enough though, Roald  
Dahl didn't like chocolate ice-  
cream or chocolate cake!





biffsquiggled

frothbuggling

Squibbling

diddly

grunion

Did you know that Roald  
Dahl invented over 500  
words and names?

rommytot

zozimus

pibbling

whiffsy

phizz-whizzing

Did you know that Roald Dahl  
has his own dictionary?

It was written by the Oxford  
University press and contains  
more than eight thousand  
words, some real, some  
imaginary, all of  
which Dahl loved to use.





Did you know that Roald Dahl  
did most of his writing in the  
garden shed?

He spent up to four hours a day  
writing. He liked sitting in his  
cosy armchair when writing.  
He preferred to write in pencil  
on yellow paper.



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