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## The British writers :

William Shakespeare : is probably the most famous writer in the world. He was born in 1564 in Stratford - upon - Avon. When he was only 18 years old, he married Anne Hathaway and they had 3 children. We don't know much about Shakespeare's life, but by 1592 he was working in London as an actor. He wrote 37 plays, including *Hamlet*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *A.Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Henry V*. He made a lot of money and in 1597 he bought one of the best houses in Stratford. He died there in 1616. There's also a film about Shakespeare's life, called *Shakespeare in Love*.

Johnathan Swift : he was born on 30th November 1667 and died on 19th October 1745 at the age of 77. His parents were English but he was born in Dublin, the capital city of Ireland. He served at St Patrick's Cathedral, but he became famous as a writer. His best known book is *Gulliver's Travels*.

Ms.J.K. Rowling : has written seven Harry Potter novels. She lives in Edinburgh, Scotland, with her daughter. She used to be a teacher. Each book begins in the real world - the Dursleys' home, then moves into the fantasy world - Hogwarts School, and then returns to the real world. Harry Potter won The British Book Awards Children's Book of the Year.

The first four Harry Potter books :  
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone  
Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets  
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban  
Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

Charles Dickens : is one of the greatest novelists in the English language. He wrote about the real world of Victorian England and many of his characters were not rich, middleclass ladies and gentlemen, but poor and hungry people. When he was 16, he started work for a newspaper. He visited law courts and the Houses of Parliament. Soon he was one of Morning Chronicle's best journalists. He also wrote short stories for magazines. Dickens has 10 children, but he didn't have a happy family life. He was successful in his work but not at home, and his wife left him. He never stopped writing and travelling, and he died very suddenly in 1870.

The Lilliputians were exelent at mathematics and perfect in mechanics. They made a huge wooden carriage with 22 wheels which was pulled by 15 hundred of the Emperor´ s strongest horses.

He was a small, skinny, boy with an unusual scar on his forehead. All he knows is a miserable life with the Dursleys, his horrible aunt and uncle, and their son Dudley - a great big bully.

Ms.J.K. Rowling

William Shakespeare

Johnathan Swift

Charles Dickens

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