

Roald Dahl Day Celebrates British Writer's 100th Birthday

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Roald Dahl is a beloved British writer. He is the author of some of the world's best-known children's novels, including *James and the Giant Peach*, *Matilda*, and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

More than 250 million copies of his books have been sold worldwide. His works have been translated into 58 languages.

Tuesday was Roald Dahl Day. People around the world celebrated what would have been Dahl's 100th birthday. He was born on September 13, 1916 in Wales to Norwegian parents. He died in 1990.

#RoaldDahlDay trended worldwide on social media. Many people thanked Dahl for making them truly enjoy reading.

One Twitter user wrote, "My childhood was made magical because of the wonderful Roald Dahl. A great storyteller!". [...]

Special events and celebrations were held in Britain and other countries in honor of Dahl.