

## Fiches Biographies

### JK Rowling



- July 31, 1965, England
- full name: Joanne Kathleen
- nickname: Jo
- writer
- successful
- 1997: **create** Harry Potter: boy with magic powers, brown hair, scar on his forehead

### Michael Jackson



- August 29, 1958, Indiana, US
- nickname: King of Pop
- singer, songwriter, dancer, composer
- **start** singing at 5 with his brothers
- lots of hit albums: *Thriller*, *Bad...*
- very successful / famous / rich
- June 25, 2009, Los Angeles (50)

### Queen Victoria



- 1819
- Queen of the United Kingdom (Great Britain and Ireland) and Empress of India
- **reign** / 1837-1901
- royal residence: Buckingham Palace, London
- 9 children
- 1901

### Shakespeare



- 1564, Stratford-upon-Avon
- nickname: The Bard of Avon
- poet, playwright, actor
- very famous plays: *Romeo and Juliet*, *MacBeth*, *Hamlet*
- **create** the Globe Theatre / London / 1599
- 1616, Stratford-upon-Avon

### Agatha Christie



- September 15, 1890, Devon, England
- crime writer of novels, short stories and plays
- **create** two very famous detectives: Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple
- Second World War / **work** in a pharmacy / **study** poisons
- famous novels: *Murder on the Orient Express*, *Death on the Nile*
- January 12, 1976 (85)

### Charlie Chaplin



- April 16, 1889, London
- very poor parents
- actor, filmmaker, composer
- **move** to America / 1910
- 1914: **create** *The Tramp*: poor man, small moustache, big shoes, walking stick
- famous films: *The Kid* (1921), *The Gold Rush* (1925), *Modern Times* (1936)...
- December 25, 1977, Vevey, Switzerland

### Charles Dickens



- 7 February 1812, Portsmouth, England
- writer (15 novels and hundreds of short stories)
- popular / famous
- 1843: *A Christmas Carol*
- 1850: *David Copperfield*
- 10 children
- 1870 (58)

### Thomas Edison



- February 11, 1847, Ohio, U.S.
- inventor, scientist, businessman
- **live** / **work** in New Jersey
- **invent**: phonograph - 1877 / electric light bulb - 1879
- October 18, 1931, New Jersey

### Henry VIII



- 1491
- King of England and Ireland
- **reign** / 1509-1547
- royal residence: Hampton Court, London
- **marry** / 6 times
- 1547

### Charles Lindbergh



- February 4, 1902 Detroit, Michigan
- nickname: Lucky Lindy
- US airmail pilot
- May 20-21, 1927 / **cross** / Atlantic Ocean / solo / on board *The Spirit of St. Louis* / age: 25
- 1974, Hawai

### Louis Armstrong



- 1901, New Orleans, Louisiana
- great jazz musician, singer, trumpet player
- nickname "satchmo" / big mouth
- **live** / New York City
- lots of hit records: *What A Wonderful World*, *Oh When The Saints...*
- **play** with: Ella Fitzgerald / Duke Ellington
- July 6, 1971 in Queens, NYC

### Beatrix Potter



- 1866, London
- **live** in the Lake District
- writer
- **publish** books for children
- 1902: **create** her hero Peter Rabbit
- **illustrate** her books
- 1943