

## **British Tales We Grew Up With**

*You all know Peter Pan, Alice and Harry Potter!*

*But do you know what they have in common? They were all born in Great Britain! And another thing they have in common: their crazy abilities! Peter Pan can fly away to Neverland, and Harry Potter has amazing magic! They allowed us to dream of the impossible when we were younger!*

### **Peter Pan**

Sir James Matthew Barrie created Peter Pan in 1904. It then became Walt Disney's famous cartoon in 1953. It tells the story of a mischievous little boy who refuses to grow up and who can fly. Read his adventures and follow him as far as the island of Neverland, where you will meet Wendy Darling and her brothers, Tinker Bell (a fairy), Tiger Lily (an Indian princess), the Lost Boys, and of course the villainous pirate Captain Hook!

### **Alice in Wonderland**

"Curiouser and curiouser!" ... said Alice down the rabbit-hole, forgetting how to speak good English. Lewis Carroll imagined her adventures in Wonderland. Follow the white rabbit who can talk and who is always late, meet the caterpillar, and have a nice cuppa at the Mad Tea Party with, the Mad Hatter and the March Hare! Everything is upside down in this world full of philosophical reflections and riddles, where Alice becomes smaller than a biscuit and then larger than a house!

### **Harry Potter**

Harry Potter is the well-known hero of a series of seven novels written by J.K. Rowling.

The series starts when he enters Hogwarts School of witchcraft and Wizardry at the age of 10, as an apprentice. The reader is captured by his quest to

overcome “you-know-who”, the dark wizard who killed his parents when he was only a baby.

He left a scar on Harry’s forehead. His goal? To conquer the wizard world! But fortunately, Harry and his friends Ronald Weasley and Hermione Granger are standing in his way...

*Did you know?*

*Joanne Kathleen Rowling’s story is amazing! She was out-of-work in 1990 when she first had the idea of writing Harry Potter’s adventures. Since then, her books have sold more than 400 million copies throughout the world and were translated into 35 languages!! J.K.Rowling has become Britain’s 13<sup>th</sup> richest woman – she’s even richer than the Queen!*

## **Matilda**

Roald Dahl is a genius! You must read the story of five-year-old Matilda Wormwood! She’s a child prodigy who lives with very unpleasant parents. She’s incredibly gifted (she taught herself to read at three years old!), but her parents pay too little attention to her to notice it. So she decides to teach them a lesson every time they do something wrong!