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INFOMANIA

FACT-CHECKING THE FAMOUS: **HARRY POTTER**

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"PEN AND PAPER ARE STILL MY PRIORITY AT THE MOMENT"

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JK Rowling has **520,617** followers but has only ever sent **7** tweets. The above message suggests that's a blessing

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哈利·波特
POTTER BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE IN **69** LANGUAGES
Translation: Voldemort

NAME HARRY POTTER
AGE 30 (DOB 31/7/1980)
OCCUPATION WIZARD
FAMOUS FOR DISTINCTIVE EYEWEAR, FACIAL SCARRING, COINING MONEY

450 MILLION
BOOKS SOLD WORLDWIDE

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ODD-FACTUM

#1 40 MILLION HARRY POTTER VIDEOGAMES SOLD **#2** THE PAPER ORDER FOR US EDITION OF DEATHLY HALLOWS WAS LARGEST EVER AT 36.8 MILLION LBS **#3** 12 CHARACTERS HAVE APPEARED IN ALL EIGHT FILMS

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CASH REFILLO!

Who's made the most from Potter?

£530,000,000
JK ROWLING



£45,000,000
DANIEL RADCLIFFE



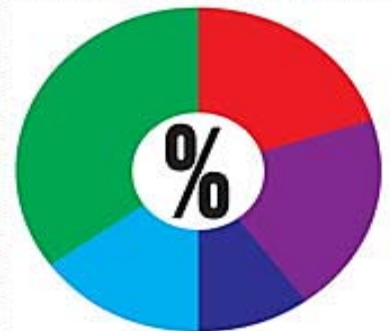
£20,000,000
EMMA WATSON



£19,000,000
RUPERT GRINT



WHAT HE'S MADE OF
How his adventures add up



DIPLOMANIA

14 colleges in the UK and US have taught Harry Potter-themed courses. The first was Harry Potter and the Age of Illusion at Durham University.

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FAT FRANCHISE

THE MOST SUCCESSFUL MOVIE SERIES AND THEIR BOX OFFICE TAKINGS



POTTER 7 FILMS
\$5.5 BILLION



BOND 23 FILMS
\$5 BILLION



STAR WARS 7 FILMS
\$4.4 BILLION



SHREK 4 FILMS
\$2.95 BILLION

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DATA: JOHNNY DEE SOURCES: BOX OFFICE MOJO, DAILY TELEGRAPH, THE TIMES, VOGUE, FAST COMPANY, TWITTER, HARRY POTTER WIKI

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How many facts and figures do you know about Harry Potter?

How many Harry Potter books have you read?

This page from '*The Guardian's – Guide*' has many numerical facts about Harry Potter, JK Rowling, and other famous books and films.

There are 8 sections marked up on the page 1 and the questions below relate to these sections. **Use a separate sheet to show your workings.**

Section 1

The cost of the 'Wizarding World of Harry Potter' at the Universal Theme Park in Florida was \$200m.

1a. Write out this amount in figures in full. _____

The usual attendance at the theme park was 1,000,000 every 3 months,

1b. What is a spike in attendance - is this **more** or **less** than usual? _____

1c. What is 3 months as a fraction of a year?

1d. Write this down as a different (but equivalent) fraction. _____

Section 2

2a. Estimate how many tweets you have ever sent. _____

2b. How many more or less than you has JK Rowling sent? _____

Section 3

Harry Potter could be translated into 200 different languages in the world.

3a. Subtract 69 from 200 to calculate how many more of these languages are there to translate Potter books into? _____

3b. Round your answer to the nearest 10. _____

3c. Using your answer in 3b what percentage of these 200 languages are Potter books available in currently? _____

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Section 4

4a. Based on today's date how old is Harry Potter? _____

4b. Write down his date of birth in the format *dd month yyyy*.

Section 5

5a. Write in figures the number that in this section appears as a word? _____

The paper order of the US edition of 'Deathly Hallows' was
36.8 MILLION LBS.

5b. What is LBS. an abbreviation for? _____

5c. Is this a metric or imperial measure? _____

5d. What is it measuring, volume, area or weight? _____

Section 6

6a. What type of chart is this? _____

6b. Using the chart printed in section 6, write each percentage in the correct segment.

Section 7

7a. Write the money made from Potter by Rupert Grint, in words.

7b. In the money made by Daniel Radcliffe what is the value
of the figure 5? _____

7c. How much **more** or **less** has Daniel Radcliffe made than Emma Watson?

7d. Is this **more** or **less**? _____

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Section 8

8a. Write a dollar sign _____

8b. What is the total of the box office takings from all the most successful movie series listed here? _____

8c. Round this to the nearest 10 billion _____

8d. What is the total number of Potter, Bond, Star Wars and Shrek films made?

8e. Round this to the nearest 10 _____

8f. Now use the numbers in 8d. and 8e. to calculate the mean box office taking per film (to one decimal place). _____

A billion is a thousand million (i.e. 1,000,000,000)

8g. Write the takings for Star Wars in full in figures. _____

Extension exercises.

In section 1 if the usual attendance at the theme park was 1,000,000 every 3 months and the spike for this period was 36%, calculate the attendance for this period.

In section 7 convert £20,000,000 to US Dollars (\$).

Assume that £1 = \$1.60 _____

In section 8 create an appropriate chart for the most successful movie series and their takings.

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Answers

- 1a. \$200,000,000
- 1b. More
- 1c. $\frac{3}{12}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$
- 1d. $\frac{3}{12}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$
- 3a. 131
- 3b. 130
- 3c. 65%
- 4b. 31 July 1980
- 5a. 8
- 5b. Pounds
- 5c. Imperial
- 5d. Weight
- 6a. Pie
- 6b. Percentages written in the correct segments.
- 7a. Nineteen million
- 7b. Million
- 7c. £25,000,000 or £25 million
- 7d. More
- 8a. \$
- 8b. \$18.85
- 8c. \$20 billion
- 8d. 32
- 8e. 30
- 8f. \$0.7 billion
- 8g. \$4,400,000,000

Extension

- 1,360,000
- \$32,000,000