

**ENGLAND**  
J.K.ROWLING

I. Before you watch the interview research general information about JKR (occupation, age, etc.). Write down the most important information below.

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II. Then watch the interview and answer these comprehension questions.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kn7nlfoMcwQ>

1. What is the genesis of Harry Potter?

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2. How many copies did the first book sell?

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3. Pick out three adjectives to describe the School of Wizards.

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4. What was JKR writing at the moment of the interview?

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5. How many books has she planned as a sequel?

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6. Write down as many elements as you can about the origins of JKR.

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7. Originally, where does the plot of the novel H. Potter start?

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8. Fill in the gap with the missing word:

‘The School of Wizards, I have always imagined it to be next to a \_\_\_\_\_.’

How does this word translate in French?

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9. About the topic of success, someone told her: ‘You’re not going to make money’. Who did?

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10. Regarding a potential adaptation of her novel for the cinema, what does she declare?

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11. JKR uses the word ‘slim’ around 5’15”. What does it refer to?

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12. JKR describes an enormous shock; pick out the other adjectives she uses to describe this surprise.

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13. Around 5'40" she uses another interesting expression to describe her first reaction to the phenomenal success of Harry Potter, pick it out.

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14. What are the two adjectives she selects to depict the success of her famous novel? Give your opinion.

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When you have finished, have a look at this skid from the Monty Python Flying Circus dealing with the French seen by the British.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CVJ-W6LioB8>