

Year 6 Knowledge Organiser

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J.K Rowling

Can discuss a book that has been read, taking turns and listening to what others have to say. Can ask questions to improve understanding of the text.

Can infer characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions and justify these inferences with evidence from the text. Can identify a main idea from an extract of text.

Be able to justify their views drawing evidence from the text and explain their understanding through presentation and debate.

Context

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's stone was first published in 1997. It is the first of seven best-selling books in the series.

Star Vocabulary

Soar - the act of rising upward into the air

Bear - support or hold in a certain manner

Appendage - a part that is joined to something larger

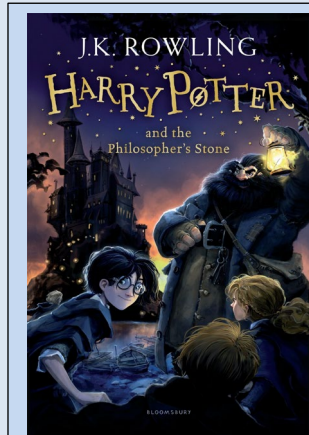
Chortle - a soft partly suppressed laugh

Askew - turned or twisted to one side

Uprouar - a state of commotion and noise and confusion

Jostle - make one's way by pushing or shoving

Berserk – out of control with anger or excitement

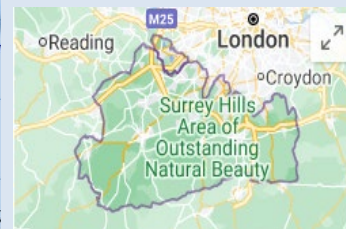


Set in **Surrey**, England and the **highlands** in Scotland.



About J. K Rowling

Joanne Rowling wanted to be a writer from an early age and wrote her first book at the age of six. She came up with the idea of Harry Potter in 1990 while sitting on a delayed train. Over the next five years, she mapped out all seven books of the series. The book was first published by Bloomsbury in 1997 under the name JK Rowling because the publisher thought a book by a female author wouldn't appeal to young boys.



Genre

A fantasy story involving a boy wizard and magic.

Main Characters

Harry Potter – protagonist of the story.
Lightning shaped scar – the mark from a confrontation with the evil Voldemort as a child.

Albus Dumbledore – The kind, wise headmaster of Hogwarts.

Lord Voldemort – A great wizard gone bad-killed Harry's parents and is after Harry.

Ron Weasley – shy boy who comes from a wizarding family. He is Harry's first friend.

Hermione Granger – comes from a purely muggle family. Smart character who becomes best friends with Harry and Ron.