

J.K. Rowling **Answers**

1. When and where was she born?

She was born on 31st July 1965, in Gloucestershire.

2. Name one of Rowling's favourite authors.

(Jane Austin / C.S. Lewis) is one of Rowling's favourite authors.

3. Where did Joanne come up with the idea for the Harry Potter series?

Joanne was on a delayed train journey from Manchester to London when the idea for the Harry Potter series came into her head.

4. Can you explain how the death of her own mother affected her writing?

Rowling decided to introduce more detail about the loss of the main character's parents as she knew how it felt.

5. What could one of the original copies of 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' sell for?

Today, original copies of 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' now sell for around £20,000.