

Life with Dr. Seuss



Theodore Seuss Geisel was born in 1904. He lived in Springfield, Massachusetts. His father was a zookeeper. When Theodore became an adult, he began to write stories for children. He called himself Dr. Seuss.

Maybe you have read some of Dr. Seuss's books. One of his first books was called ***If I Ran the Zoo***. It was based on his own childhood experiences with his father at the zoo.

In the 1950's, Dr. Seuss began writing books that would help children learn to read. The most popular one was ***The Cat in the Hat***. Other famous ones were ***Green Eggs and Ham*** and ***Yertle the Turtle***.

Dr. Seuss also won awards for cartoons. These cartoons were called ***Gerald McBoing-Boing*** and ***The Grinch Who Stole Christmas***.

Dr. Seuss lived in La Jolla, California, for much of his life. He wrote many more books and won many awards. The license plate on his car said "**GRINCH**". But he was not a grinch. He loved children, and children loved his books. Dr. Seuss died in 1991 at the age of 87. His books will live on forever.

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Text: Life With Dr. Seuss

Name 3 books Dr. Seuss wrote:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Name 2 cartoons Dr. Seuss won an award for:

1. _____

2. _____

Name 1 interesting Dr. Seuss fact:

1. _____

Anticipation Guide

Dr. Seuss



T F Dr. Seuss's father was a zookeeper. T F

T F His real name was Thomas Seuss Geisel. T F

T F One of his first books was called *If I Ran the Zoo*. T F

T F Dr. Seuss lived in California and Massachusetts. T F

T F Dr. Seuss wrote books to help children learn to read. T F

T F Dr. Seuss's cartoons won an Oswald and an Emily award. T F

T F Dr. Seuss's license plate said GRINCH. T F

T F Even though children loved his books, he did not like children. T F

T F Dr. Seuss did not live a long life. T F

Moments with Dr. Seuss

Seussisms



On Going Places

The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
The more places you'll go!

-I Can Read with My Eyes Shut

Think left and think right
And think low and think high.
Oh the thinks you can think up
if only you try!

-Oh, the Thinks You Can Think

So you see!
There's no end
To the things you might know,
Depending how far
beyond Zebra you go!

-On Beyond Zebra



Questions to Think About

1. What does this text tell us about reading?

2. How can you go places by reading?

3. Can you find the place in Dr. Seuss's words where he says this?

More Seussisms



On Being True to Yourself

You have brains in your head.

You have feet in your shoes.

You can steer yourself
any direction you choose.

You're on your own,
And you know what you know.

And YOU are the guy
Who'll decide where to go.

-Oh, the Places You'll Go!



Questions to Think About

1. What is Dr. Seuss saying to his readers?

2. What line do you like the best in this text?

3. What do you think this line says to you?
