
Harry Potter 20 Activities

A. Match the numbers with the things they refer to in the article.

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| 1. 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> a. number of copies sold in the world of the <i>Harry Potter</i> books |
| 2. 1997 | <input type="checkbox"/> b. century when Nicolas Flamel lived |
| 3. 450 million | <input type="checkbox"/> c. year the first book came out |
| 4. 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> d. number of years Voldemort waited before he came back |
| 5. 11 | <input type="checkbox"/> e. JK Rowling and Harry Potter's birthday |
| 6. 2007 | <input type="checkbox"/> f. number of houses in Hogwarts, Harry Potter's school |
| 7. 31 July | <input type="checkbox"/> g. year JK Rowling stopped writing about Harry Potter |
| 8. 1300s | <input type="checkbox"/> h. number of years since the first book came out |
| 9. 2016 | <input type="checkbox"/> i. year JK Rowling started writing about Harry Potter again |

B. Choose the correct answer. More than one answer is sometimes possible.

1. Harry Potter is:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a. a fictional character | <input type="checkbox"/> c. Nicolas Flamel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. a book | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Hermione Granger |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. a young wizard | <input type="checkbox"/> e. Ron Weasley |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> f. Albus Dumbledore |

2. JK Rowling wrote:

- a. seven books
- b. a play
- c. a script for a film

3. JK Rowling's first name is:

- a. Jenny.
- b. Jane.
- c. Joanne.

4. Harry Potter's birthday is the same day as:

- a. Bastille Day, 14 July.
- b. JK Rowling's birthday, 31 July.
- c. U.S. Independence Day, 4 July.

5. Which character is NOT a fictional character?

- a. Voldemort
- b. Draco Malfoy

6. Harry Potter's magical school is composed of:

- a. four houses, like four parts of a boarding school.
- b. wizards and witches.
- c. ordinary people.

7. Voldemort is Harry Potter's enemy because:

- a. He is in a different Quidditch team.
- b. He is an unfriendly teacher.
- c. He killed Harry's parents and attacked him.

8. JK Rowling stopped writing Harry Potter books between:

- a. 1997 and 2007.
- b. 2007 and 2016.
- c. 2016 and now.

C. From cardinal to ordinal.

A cardinal number is a number that says how many of something there is. An ordinal number is a number that tells the position of something in a list.

1. Match each cardinal number with its ordinal form. Example: 1 → first

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| a. 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> h. eighth |
| b. 26 | <input type="checkbox"/> i. thirty first |
| c. 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> j. twentieth |
| d. 7 | <input type="checkbox"/> k. eleventh |
| e. 8 | <input type="checkbox"/> l. seventh |
| f. 11 | <input type="checkbox"/> m. twenty sixth |
| g. 31 | <input type="checkbox"/> n. sixth |

2. Now transform each cardinal number in its numerical ordinal form.

Example: 1 → 1st

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| a. 20 | _____ | f. 11 | _____ |
| b. 26 | _____ | g. 31 | _____ |
| c. 6 | _____ | h. 2 | _____ |
| d. 7 | _____ | i. 23 | _____ |
| e. 8 | _____ | | |

D. Past or present? Say if these actions (fiction or real) happened in the present or in the past. Underline the indications of past or present and say if the verb is regular or irregular.

1. The first Harry Potter book was published 20 years ago. _____
2. JK Rowling wrote seven *Harry Potter* books. _____
3. Voldemort killed Harry Potter's parents and attacked him. _____
4. In the seven books, Voldemort is slowly preparing his return. _____
5. *Fantastic Beasts* is the first of a series of movies. _____
6. JK Rowling's publishers asked her to use her initials. _____
7. Her birthday is 31 July. _____
8. All the *Harry Potter* books start on his birthday. _____
9. Nicolas Flamel really existed and lived in Paris in the 1300s. _____
10. Nicolas Flamel is also a character in *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*.
