



Challenge



Hot Topics



I love reading!

Meet the popular writers

WORLD Book and **Copyright** Day falls on 23 April. To celebrate this special day, let's learn something about some popular writers of different periods!

About World Book and Copyright Day

IT is an annual event organised by United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO). It is a day which aims at promoting reading, publishing and copyright.



William Shakespeare

WILLIAM Shakespeare was reportedly born on 23 April, 1564 in England. He died on 23 April, 1616.

He wrote many well-known **plays** and poems. His plays included *Romeo and Juliet* and *King Lear*.



J.K. Rowling

J.K. Rowling is a very popular **novelist** from Britain. She is the author of the Harry Potter fantasy series. The Potter books have become worldwide **best-sellers**.



Oscar Wilde

OSCAR Wilde is an Irish playwright, novelist, **poet**, and author of short stories. He was born in 1854 and died in 1900. His short stories such as "The Happy Prince" are very popular among children.



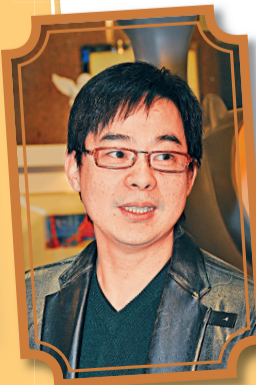
Bing Xin 冰心

BING Xin was one of the important Chinese writers of the 20th **Century**. Many of her works were written for young readers. *To Young Readers* (寄小讀者) is a collection of **prose** which she wrote for children and teenagers. She was born in 1900 and died in 1999.



Jimmy Liao 幾米

JIMMY Liao is an **illustrator** from Taipei. Since 1998, he published several books such as *A Fish with a Smile* (微笑的魚). His stories and illustrations are poetic. They are popular among children and adults.



Who wrote these books?

CAN you match the books with above mentioned writers?



Answers: A. William Shakespeare; B. Oscar Wilde; C. Bing Xin; D. Jimmy Liao; E. J.K. Rowling

Vocabulary

copyright (n) 版權
play (n) 劇本

novelist (n) 小說家
best-seller (n) 暢銷書

poet (n) 詩人
century (n) 世紀

prose (n) 散文
illustrator (n) 插畫家