

David Walliams

David Walliams is famous for doing lots of things...

What Does He Do?



comedian



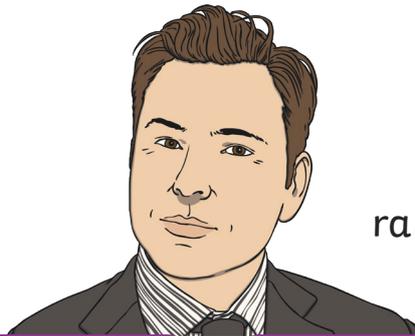
actor



TV judge



writer



raise money for charity

David's Books

David's most famous books:

- The Boy in the Dress;
- Mr Stink;
- Billionaire Boy;
- Gangsta Granny;
- Ratburger.

David's Charity Work

David has done some hard things to raise money for charity:

- swam the river Thames;
- swam from England to France;
- cycled from one end of Great Britain to the other.

Did You Know...?

David has an OBE. This is a special award given by The Queen.

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When David was swimming the river Thames, he saved a dog from drowning in the river!

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- vet
- actor

2. Which of these is not one of David's books? Tick one.

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- Mr Stink
- Gangsta Mum

3. Where did David swim for charity? Tick one.

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- from France To Africa
- from England To Ireland

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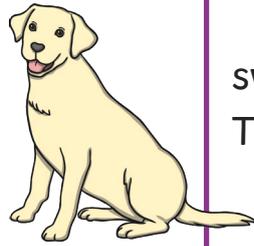
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David Walliams is a famous comedian, actor, TV judge and author.

David's Childhood

David was born in London. His dad is called Peter and his mum is called Kathleen. He started acting when he was at school and had to dress up in a wedding dress which made people laugh.



David the Author

David was a famous comedian and had his own TV show. But he had always wanted to be an author. David wanted to write a book about how it's OK to be different. In 2008, he published *The Boy in the Dress*, a story about a boy who loves football and wearing dresses. The book sold over half a million copies.

David has now written twelve chapter books and six picture books. His books are illustrated by Quentin Blake or Tony Ross and many of his books have been turned into films. *Mr Stink*, *Billionaire Boy*, *Gangsta Granny* and *Ratburger* are a few of his famous books.

Amazing Charity Work

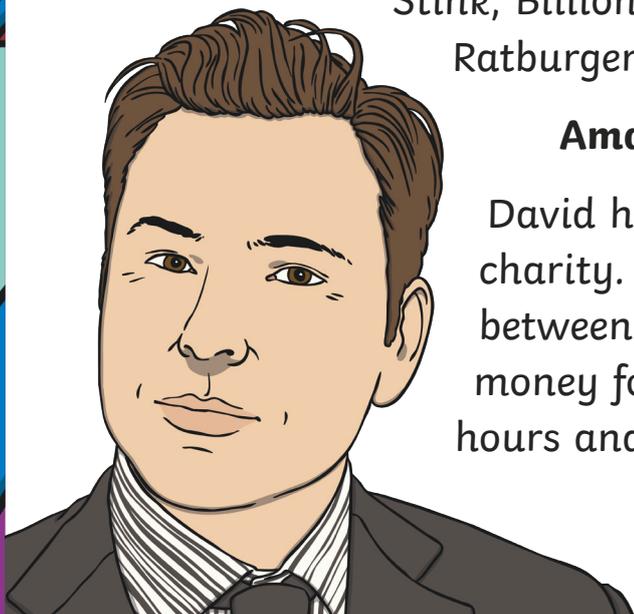
David has raised a lot of money for charity. In 2006, he swam the sea between England and France to raise money for Sport Relief. It took him 10 hours and 34 minutes to swim 22 miles.

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- New York
 London
 Paris

2. Number these events in David's life in the order they happened.

- David published his first book, *The Boy in the Dress*.
 David became a famous comedian with his own TV show.
 He went on to write many more books.
 David started acting at school.

3. Draw lines to match these sentences about David.

As a child he

from *The Queen*.

When swimming the
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He has an award

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4. Find and copy one word that describes David's charity work.

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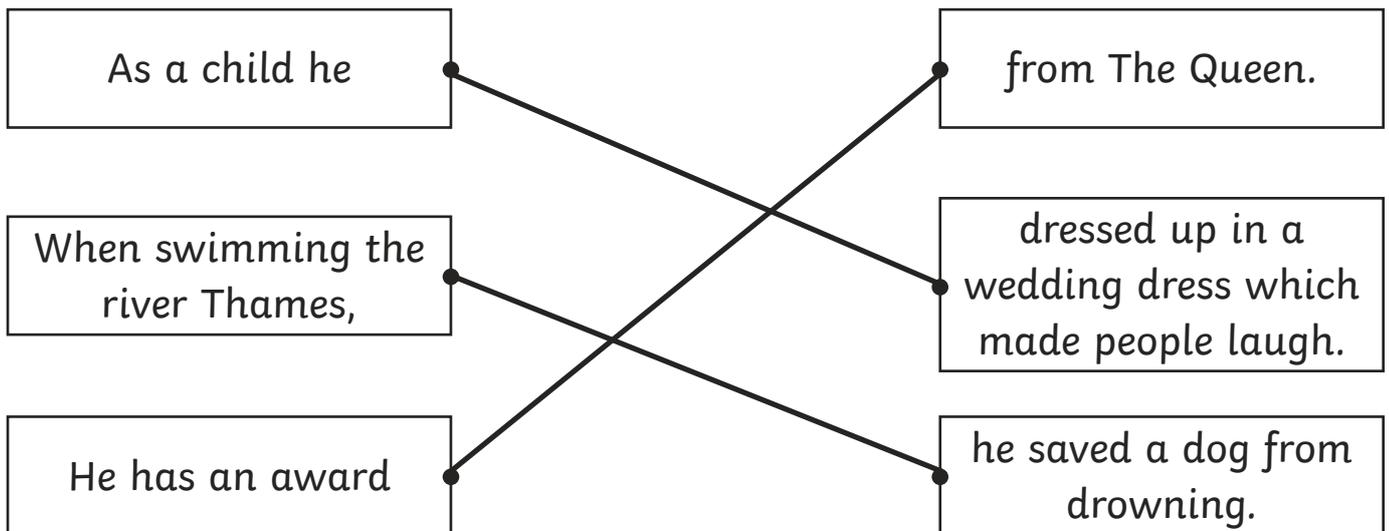
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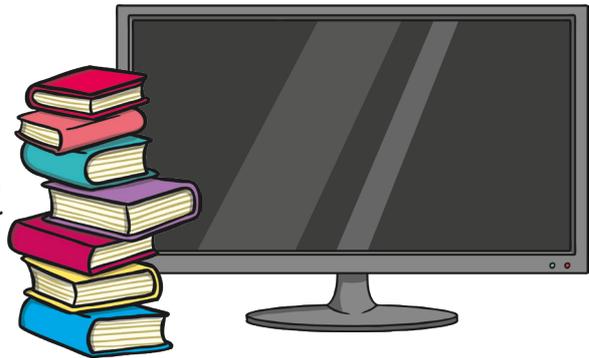
David's Childhood

David was born in Merton, London. His dad, Peter, was an engineer and his mum, Kathleen, was a lab technician. He went to school in Surrey, where he started acting and had to dress up in a wedding dress which made people laugh.

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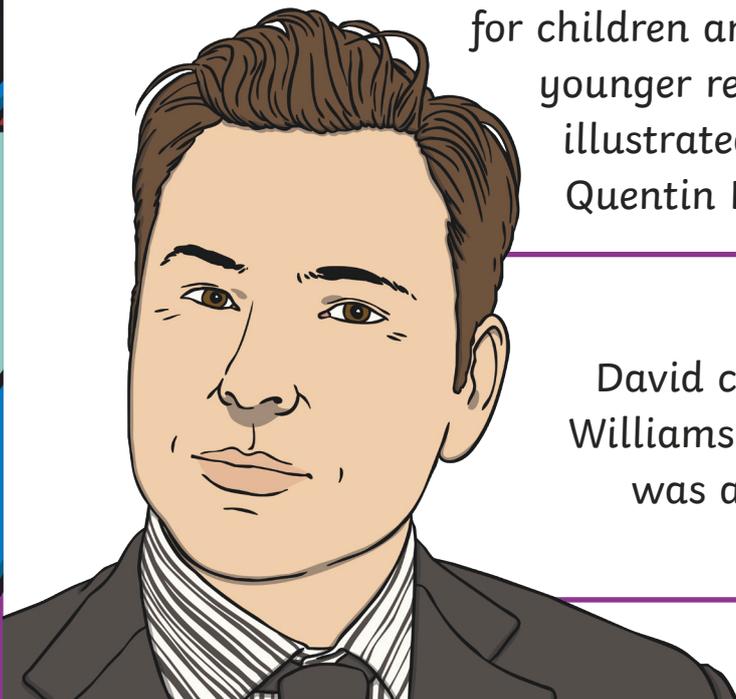
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Did You Know...?

David changed his surname from Williams to Walliams because there was already an actor called David Williams!



Many of his books have been turned into films, and David often appears in them as an actor! His most famous books include Mr Stink, Billionaire Boy, Gangsta Granny and Ratburger.

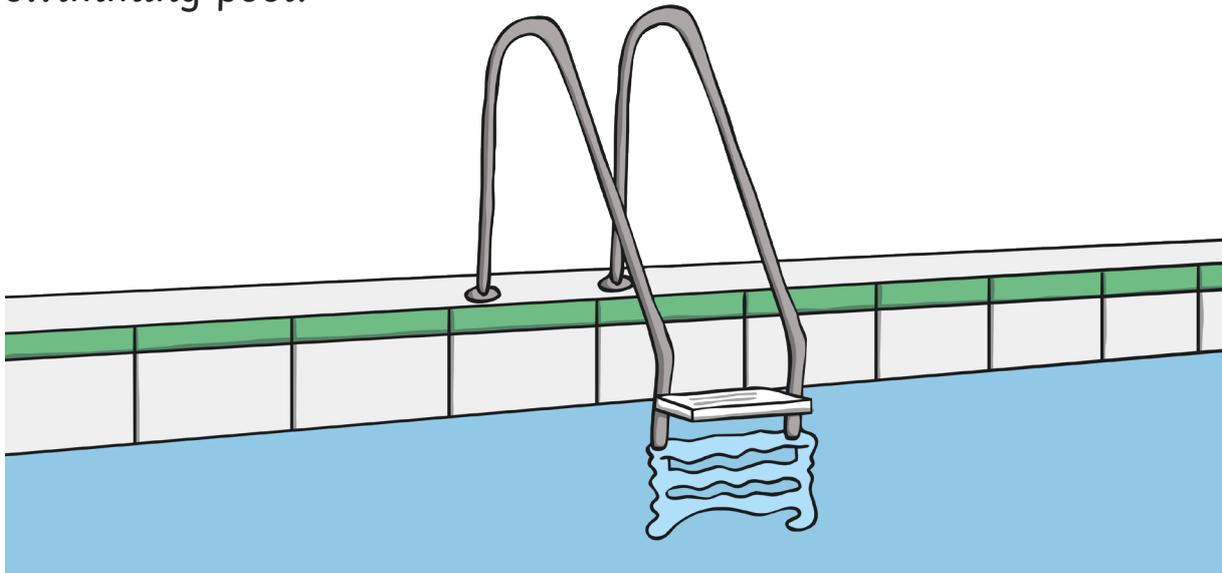
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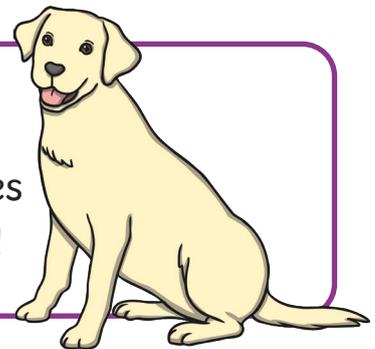
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Child's own response. Accept any answer as long as it references one thing from the text and two sensible reasons are given, e.g. I think the best thing David Walliams has done is swim the English Channel because you have to be very fit and strong to swim that far and he did it to raise money for charity.