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He is best known for creating, writing and illustrating the child-oriented website Poptropica. Kinney was born and raised in Fort Washington, Maryland. Kinney attended Potomac Landing Elementary School and later Bishop McNamara High School, where he graduated in 1989. He has an older brother.[2] He is of Irish descent.[3] He attended the University of Maryland, College Park, in the early 1990s. It was in college that Kinney created a popular comic strip, Igdoof, which ran in the school student newspaper, The Diamondback.[4] Kinney graduated from the University of Maryland in 1993, originally majoring in computer science but switching to criminal justice in order to have more time to work on his comic.[5] In 2021 he was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa as an alumnus of the University of Maryland. In January 1998, Kinney conceived the idea of a middle-school weakling named Greg Heffley, who writes illustrated stories about his personal life. In May 2004, Funbrain and Jeff Kinney released an online version of the story, titled Diary of a Wimpy Kid. The website made daily entries from September of that year to June 2005.[6] He worked on his book for almost eight years, before showing it to a publisher in New York City, U.S. In February 2006, during the New York Comic Con, Kinney signed a multi-book deal with publisher Harry N. Abrams, Inc., to turn Diary of a Wimpy Kid into a print series.[7] The book became an instant hit, with the online version receiving about 20 million views as of 2007. When many online readers requested a printed version, Kinney agreed, and in April 2007, Diary of a Wimpy Kid was published.[8] To date, 31 Wimpy Kid books have been released, including a movie diary and a Do-It-Yourself Book, and a biography that Greg's best friend Rowley Jefferson wrote.[9] In April 2009, TIME named Kinney one of The World's Most Influential People.[10] In 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016 the series won a Nickelodeon Kids Choice Award for Favorite Book.[11] The series is still ongoing, with the latest mainstream book couled Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess. To promote the release of Diary of a Wimpy Kid: No Brainer, Kinney embarked on book tour across the West Coast of the United States titled "The No Brainer Show" from October 23 to November 8, 2023.[12][13] Kinney dedicated the tour.[12] He also partnered with 11 publishers to acquire "high interest, diverse books to distribute to libraries and to kids we meet along the way".[14] Each stop featured a game show hosted by Kinney, where participants could win prizes on behalf of their local library.[13] Kinney at a book signing event in Israel, 2016 Kinney works full-time as a writer and illustrator. He also created the kid-friendly website Poptropica which includes two islands called "Wimpy Wonderland" and "Wimpy Boardwalk", where the Diary of a Wimpy Kid books have sold globally as of 2020[16] and the series was developed into feature films for which Kinney served as executive producer. In May 2015, Kinney and his wife Julie opened "An Unlikely Story," a local bookstore and cafe in Plainville, Massachusetts.[17] Kinney advocates that kids should spend time reading as an alternative to screen time.[18] Kinney guest-hosted 10 episodes of the 10th season of WGBH local quiz bowl production High School Quiz Show while regular host Billy Costa was away on a special assignment. Kinney hosted the second half of the first-round games, the quarter-finals, and the semi-finals, while Costa hosted the first-round games and returned to Boston in time for the finals.[19] On December 14, 2003, Jeff Kinney married Julie Kinney. They have two sons together.[20] He is Catholic.[21] In June 2020 when Manny. a character he created in the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, became an internet meme relating to the protests arising from the murder of George Floyd, Kinney expressed a distaste for the sensation, stating, "I don't like it. The Black Lives Matter movement needs to be taken seriously... I think that assigning a cartoon character to (the movement) trivializes it."[22] Diary of a Wimpy Kid (April 1, 2007) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules (February 1, 2008) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth (November 9, 2010) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever (November 15, 2011) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth (November 9, 2010) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth (November 9, 2010) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw (January 13, 2009) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth (November 9, 2010) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Wimpy Kid: The Third Wheel (November 13, 2012) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck (November 5, 2013) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2015) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Double Down (November 1, 2016) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Getaway (November 7, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2015) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2015) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2015) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2015) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3, 2017) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul (November 3,
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A film based on the first book was released on March 19, 2010.[24] It was produced by 20th Century Fox and directed by Thor Freudenthal. The film starred Zachary Gordon as Greg Heffley, [25] Robert Capron as Rowley Jefferson, Rachael Harris as Susan Heffley, Steve Zahn as Frank Heffley, Devon Bostick as Rodrick Heffley, Connor and Owen Fielding as Manny Heffley, Chloë Grace Moretz as a new character named Angie Steadman, Grayson Russell as Fregley, Laine MacNeil as Patty Farrell, and Karan Brar as Chirag Gupta. [26][27] A second film, based on Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules, was released on March 25, 2011. Zachary Gordon returned as Greg Heffley.[28] Steve Zahn (Frank Heffley) and Rachael Harris (Susan Heffley) also returned. The film was directed by David Bowers and the screenplay was written by Gabe Sachs and Jeff Judah. Some new cast members who appeared in the film included Peyton List as Holly Hills among others. Kinney himself appeared in the film in a cameo role as Holly's father.[29] He would later reprise the role in the third film, Dog Days, which was released in 2012 and combines The Last Straw and Dog Days. A fourth film, based on The Long Haul, was announced by Kinney also cameos in the film as the owner of a booth at a convention. ^ Library of Congress. "Kinney, Jeff - LC Linked Data Service: Authorities and Vocabularies". id.loc.gov. Retrieved 2022-04-18. ^ McGrath, Nick (December 2012). "Jeff Kinney: 'People ask me, is Greg really you?'". The Guardian. ^ "An-mhaith! Wimpy kid author thrilled by Irish version". RTÉ. 2017-05-25. ^ Leff, Lisa (1994-02-03). "'IGDOOF' TAKES ON THE WORLD". Washington Post. ISSN 0190-8286. Retrieved 2020-04-16. ^ Gunderson, Megan M. (2012). Jeff Kinney. Edina, Minn.: ABDO Pub. Co. ISBN 978-1-61787-710-0. OCLC 767670415. ^ "Diary of a Wimpy Kid". Funbrain. Family Education Network. Archived from the original on 28 September 2015. 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He has two brothers and a sister. At one stage he studied to become a federal law enforcement officer. News Superproofs are here! In stores July 2021, until stocks run out. With over 200 million copies sold worldwide, Kinney's book series has become a literary sensation, captivating readers of all ages. Kinney initially had the idea for "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" back in college. While studying at the University of Maryland, Kinney came up with the concept for a character called "Greg Heffley" and started sketching cartoons on line, where they gained a large following. Encouraged by the positive response, he decided to turn the webcomic into a series of books. The first "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" book was published in 2007. Titled "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," the book was an instant success and quickly became a beloved series among young readers. Kinney's books have been translated into more than 70 languages. The popularity of the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has spread worldwide, allowing children from different cultures to enjoy Kinney's humorous stories. Jeff Kinney is also the creator of Poptropica. Poptropica is an online virtual world that allows kids to
explore different islands and engage in fun adventures. Kinney has a degree in computer science. Before becoming a successful author, he studied computer science at the University of Maryland and worked as a game designer. He initially struggled to find a publisher for his first book. Despite the eventual success of "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," Kinney faced numerous rejections from publishers before it was finally picked up for publication. Kinney has won numerous awards for his books. His accolades include the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award for Favorite Book and the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children's Book Award. A "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," was a box-office success and led to the production of several sequels. Kinney has his own bookstore and café in Massachusetts. Opened in 2017, "An Unlikely Story" is a bookstore and café where fans can meet Kinney, attend events, and enjoy literary discussions. Jeff Kinney is involved in philanthropic activities. He has donated millions of dollars to educational and literary charities, promoting reading and encouraging creativity among children. Kinney's books have inspired a passion for reading in many children. The relatable characters and humorous storytelling in his books have helped spark an interest in reading among reluctant readers, making literacy more accessible and enjoyable. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" has been adapted into a musical. The stage adaptation of Kinney's beloved series invites audiences to experience the story of Greg Heffley live on stage, with catchy music and energetic performances. Jeff Kinney continues to write new books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. With each new installment, he keeps readers eagerly waiting to see what hilarious and relatable adventures Greg Heffley will get into next. These mind-blowing facts about Jeff Kinney showcase his immense talent as an author and his dedication to inspiring young readers around the world through his beloved "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. Whether through his books, philanthropy, or interactive online platforms like Poptropica, Kinney's impact on children's literature and literacy is truly remarkable. So, if you're looking for captivating and humorous stories that will engage and entertain young readers, you can't go wrong with the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series by Jeff Kinney. Join millions of fans worldwide and embark on the adventures of Greg Heffley and his wimpy but relatable experiences! Conclusion. Jeff Kinney is a remarkable celebrity who has made a significant impact in the literary world with his widely popular "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. From his humble beginnings as a newspaper cartoonist to becoming a bestselling author, Kinney's journey is truly inspiring. He has captivated millions of readers worldwide with his relatable characters and humorous storytelling. Not only has Kinney achieved immense success as an author, but he has also showcased his talent as an executive producer and actor in the film adaptations of his books. His dedication to promoting literacy and encouraging young readers is commendable, making him not just a beloved celebrity but also an advocate for education. With his creative genius and down-to-earth personality, Jeff Kinney has become an influential figure in the literary community. His impact on children's literature is undeniable, leaving a lasting legacy that will continue to inspire future generations of readers and aspiring writers. FAQs Q: How did Jeff Kinney become famous? A: Jeff Kinney gained fame through his immensely popular book series, "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." His ability to connect with young readers through relatable characters and humorous storytelling catapulted him to stardom. Q: How many books has Jeff Kinney written? A: Jeff Kinney has written a total of 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." His ability to connect with young readers through relatable characters and humorous storytelling catapulted him to stardom. Q: How many books has Jeff Kinney written? A: Jeff Kinney has written a total of 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." His ability to connect with young readers through relatable characters and humorous storytelling catapulted him to stardom. Q: How many books has Jeff Kinney written? A: Jeff Kinney has written a total of 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." His ability to connect with young readers through relatable characters and humorous storytelling catapulted him to stardom. Q: How many books has Jeff Kinney written? A: Jeff Kinney has written? A: Jeff Kinney has written a total of 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." His ability to connect with young readers through relatable characters and humorous storytelling catapulted him to stardom. Q: How many books has Jeff Kinney written? A: Jeff Kinney has written? A: Jeff Kinney of the main character, Greg Heffley. Q: Has Jeff Kinney won any awards for his work? A: Yes, Jeff Kinney has received numerous awards for his contributions to children's literature, including the prestigious Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award for Favorite Book Author. Q: Are there any movie adaptations of Jeff Kinney's books? A: Yes, several of Jeff Kinney's books have been adapted into movies, with Kinney himself serving as an executive producer. These films have further boosted his popularity and expanded the reach of his storytelling. Q: What is Jeff Kinney's impact on literacy and education? A: Jeff Kinney is an advocate for literacy and education, actively involved in promoting reading and inspiring young minds. His books have encouraged countless children to develop a love for reading and have made him a beloved figure among educators. The Motorsport Images Collections captures events from 1895 to today's most recent coverage. Discover The CollectionCurated, compelling, and worth your time. Explore our latest gallery of Editors' Picks. Browse Editors' FavoritesExperience AI-Powered CreativityThe Motorsport Images CollectionSurvey of Editors' Picks. Browse Editors' FavoritesExperience AI-Powered CreativityThe Motorsport Images Collections captures events from 1895 to today's most recent coverage. Discover The CollectionCurated, compelling, and worth your time. Explore our latest gallery of Editors' Picks. Browse Editors' FavoritesExperience AI-Powered Creativity The people who like to read the whole section of the Diary of a Wimpy Kids series will like to note more about Jeff Kinney Facts. Jeff Kinney is one of the outstanding American authors today. His books are best seller not only in US but also in other countries. Actually he also works as game designer, producer and cartoonist. Jeff Kinney Facts 1: Date of Birth Jeff Kinney was born on 19 February 1971. This American writer is famous with his witty and unique books. His talent is not only on writing but also on drawing. Jeff Kinney Facts 2: Education and Early Life Jeff Kinney Facts 3: Inspiration When he was a kid, Jeff Kinney liked to read the books written by famous authors like J.R.R. Tolkien, Judy Blume, Piers Anthony and Beverly Cleary. Jeff Kinney made during his university life. It was published in the Diamondback, the campus newspaper. Because Igdoof was successful at that time, he decided to move to New England and became a cartoonist in 1995. He wanted to pursue his dream. It reminds me with Elvis Presley, Even though both have different field, they have the same spirit. If you don't trust me look at Elvis Presley facts. Jeff Kinney in a Premiere Jeff adults love to read the series. He began writing the book in 1998. But it was published in spring 2007. The next series was entitled Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Jeff Kinney Facts 6: Sales of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Jeff Kinney Facts 6: Sales of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Neuropeace and Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Jeff Kinney Facts 6: Sales of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Do-It-Yourself Book published in 2008. In 2011, he published in 2008. In 2012, he published in 2008. In 2 Wimpy Kid The Diary of a Wimpy Kid is considered as the bestselling book in the world. In the worldwide market, it is sold more than 42 million copies until 2010. Jeff Kinney Facts 7: Movie of Diary of a Wimpy Kid The popularity of Diary of a Wimpy Kid makes Century Fox adapted the series into the movie on March 19, 2010. The movie gained mixed review but it could crank well in the box office. Jeff Kinney became the movie producer. Jeff Kinney Facts 8: Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules was adapted into a movie in 2011. Writer Jeff Kinney Facts 9: Influenced Author Jeff Kinney is considered as one of the influenced people on the Times azines among the list of 100 most influential people. He is also included as one of the New York Times bestselling author. Jeff Kinney Facts 10: Award in 2009. The winner was voted by children. Another figure that children love is Demi Lovato. To know more about her, look at Lovato facts. Diary of a wimpy kid Jeff Kinney is one of the great writers in the world. You may expect to see other series of Wimpy kids in the future. What do you think on facts about Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kinney, Jeff Kinney is one of the great writers in the world. You may expect to see other series of Wimpy kids in the future. remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. 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warranties are given. The license may not give you all of the permissions necessary for your intended use. For example, other rights such as publicity, privacy, or moral rights may limit how you use the material. We've detected that JavaScript is disabled in this browser. Please enable JavaScript or switch to a supported browser to continue using x.com. You can see a list of supported browser to continue using x.com. You can see a list of support is disabled in this browser. a Wimpy Kid." He was born on February 19, 1971, in Maryland and grew up in Fort Washington, Maryland. After studying computer science at the University of Maryland, he moved to New England to pursue a career in writing and cartooning. Kinney began his career as a game designer and created a popular online game called "Poptropica." In 2004, he started working on his first book, "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," which he originally published as a webcomic on Funbrain.com. The book was a huge success, and it quickly became a bestseller. Since then, Kinney has written and illustrated more than 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," series, which have sold over 250 million copies worldwide In addition to his work as an author and cartoonist, Kinney is also a philanthropist. He founded the Jeff Kinney Foundation to support programs that promote literacy and the arts for young people. He has also been involved in several other charitable causes, including the Make-A-Wish Foundation and First Book, which provides books to children from the arts for young people. low-income families. Despite his success, Kinney remains humble and down-to-earth. He has said that he never expected the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series to become as popular as it has, and he is grateful for his success. He continues to live in Massachusetts with his wife and two sons, and he is currently working on new projects, including a children's animated series based on his book series. Jeff Kinney (Wikimedia) What about Jeff Kinney interesting facts? Here are 33 interesting facts? Here are 33 interesting facts about Jeff Kinney was born on February 19, 1971, in Maryland, USA. His full name is Jeffrey Patrick Kinney. He grew up in Fort Washington, Maryland. Kinney attended the University of Maryland and studied computer science. He is a game designer and created an online game called "Poptropica." Kinney is best known for his "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series as a webcomic on Funbrain.com. Kinney has published over 15 books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid " series. He has also written and illustrated other books, including "The Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself Book" and "The Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself Book" and the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award. He has been named one of Time magazine's Choice Book Award and the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award. He has been named one of Time magazine's Choice Book Award and the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Book Award and the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award. 100 most influential people in the world. Kinney's favorite book as a child was "The Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Seuss. He is a fan of comic strips and Gary Larson. Kinney has said that he enjoys writing and illustrating books because it allows him to be his own boss. He is also a fan of video games, and has said that he enjoys playing games like "Minecraft" and "Fortnite." Kinney's favorite TV shows are "The Office" and "Seinfeld." He is a big fan of the New England Patriots football team. Kinney has a brother who is also a writer and cartoonist, named Patrick Kinney. He is involved in several charitable causes, including the Make-A-Wish Foundation and First Book. Kinney has a foundation and First Book. Kinney has a foundation, which supports programs that promote literacy and the arts for young people. He has a "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" themed amusement park ride at Universal Studios in Florida. Kinney has a YouTube channel where he posts videos about his books and creative process. He enjoys listening to music while he works and has said that he likes bands like Weezer and Radiohead. Kinney has said that he finds it difficult to give interviews. Kinney's favorite food is pizza. He has said that he enjoys visiting schools and speaking to children about his books to young readers. He has a collection of antique typewriters. Kinney has said that he enjoys reading memoirs and biographies. Kinney's hometown of Fort Washington, Maryland, was the inspiration for the fictional town of Westmore Middle School in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. Jeff Kinney is a talented and accomplished author, illustrator, and game designer whose work has captivated the hearts of millions of readers around the world. He is best known for his "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series, which has become a cultural phenomenon and inspired a new generation of young people in a meaningful way. Kinney's dedication to promoting literacy and the arts for young people is also admirable, and he has made a significant impact through his charitable work and foundation. Overall, Jeff Kinney is a true inspiration to aspiring writers and creators everywhere, and his legacy will undoubtedly continue to inspire future generations of readers and writers for many years to come. Ever wondered who's behind the hilarious mishaps of Greg Heffley in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series? Jeff Kinney, that's who! But how much do you really know about this talented author and cartoonist? Sure, you might be aware that his books have tickled the funny bones of kids (and adults!) worldwide, but there's so much more to uncover. From his early beginnings to becoming a household name, Jeff Kinney's journey is nothing short of inspiring. So, grab your favorite notebook, and let's dive into the fascinating world of Jeff Kinney, creator of "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," turned childhood humor into a global phenomenon, inspiring young readers and aspiring authors with his relatable stories and unwavering determination. With over 250 million books sold, Jeff Kinney's "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has not only made readers laugh but also taught the world that persistence and humor can turn dreams into reality. Jeff Kinney's "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has not only made readers laugh but also taught the world that persistence and humor can turn dreams into reality. Jeff Kinney's "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has not only made readers laugh but also taught the world that persistence and humor can turn dreams into reality. children's literature. Best known for his "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series, Kinney has carved out a niche that resonates with kids and adults alike. His books, filled with humor and relatable situations, have not only sold millions of copies worldwide but also have been adapted into successful films. Early Life and Inspiration Born on February 19, 1971, in Fort Washington, Maryland, Jeff Kinney grew up in a household where reading was a common pastime. This environment nurtured his love for storytelling. During his childhood, Kinney was a keen reader of comic strips, especially "Calvin and Hobbes" and "The Far Side." These comics significantly influenced his writing style and humor. Kinney attended the University of Maryland at College Park in the early 1990s. Here, he created a popular comic strip called "Igdoof," which was featured in the campus newspaper. This experience was pivotal in shaping his future in writing and illustrating. The Birth of "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" began in 1998. However, it took Kinney about eight years to finalize the concept and find a publisher. Initially, Kinney intended the book for adults, reflecting on the humorous side of childhood. Surprisingly, his publisher saw greater potential in targeting younger readers, a decision that led to the series' phenomenal success. The first "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" book was published in April 2007. It quickly became a New York Times bestseller, a status it has maintained for years. Achievements and Milestones Kinney's work has not only garnered critical acclaim but also commercial success. The "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has sold more than 250 million copies globally. Beyond books, the series has expanded into a successful film franchise, with the first movie released in 2010. Kinney's involvement in the films as an executive producer ensured the adaptations stayed true to the spirit of the books. In recognition of his contributions to children's literature, Kinney was named one of Time magazine's most influential people in 2009. Kinney also received the Nickelodeon Kids Choice Award for Favorite Book multiple times, highlighting his popularity among his primary audience. Beyond Writing: Other Ventures Kinney co-founded the website Poptropica, a virtual world for kids. He designed many of the site's islands, blending his storytelling skills with digital entertainment. In 2015, Kinney and his wife opened "An Unlikely Story," a bookstore and café in Plainville, Massachusetts. This venture reflects his passion for books and community engagement. Personal Life and two sons, where he continues to write and expand the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" universe. Kinney often shares that persistence and resilience are key to his success. He faced numerous rejections before finally getting published, a testament to his determination. He believes in the power of humor to continue writing the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series as long as there is a story to tell and an audience to entertain. With the series' ongoing success, fans can look forward to more adventures from Greg Heffley and his quirky family. Kinney's influence extends beyond his books. He actively participates in promoting literacy and a love for reading among children, making him a role model for aspiring authors. The "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has been translated into numerous languages, making Kinney's work accessible to a global audience. Kinney's approachable writing style and memorable characters have ensured that his books are not just read but cherished by many. His work has inspired a
new generation of writers and illustrators who see Kinney as a benchmark for success in children's literature. As "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" continues to grow, so does Kinney's journey from a small-town boy to a global phenomenon showcases the power of creativity, perseverance, and the universal appeal of storytelling. His "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series has not only entertained millions but also encouraged kids around the world to embrace reading. Kinney's work extends beyond books, influencing movies, merchandise, and even an online platform that connects with young readers everywhere. His ability to tap into the trials and tribulations of school life, with a humorous twist, resonates with readers of all ages. As we reflect on his achievements, it's clear that Kinney's impact on children's literature and entertainment is both significant and enduring. the hearts of many. AJeff Kinney is a renowned author and cartoonist, best known for his wildly popular "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series? AAs of my Kid" series around the globe, turning many of them into avid fans of his relatable characters and humorous stories. QHow many books are in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series? AAs of my last update, there are fifteen main books in the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. Kinney has a knack for keeping the series fresh and entertaining, so fans always have something new to look forward to.QHas Jeff Kinney won any awards for his work? Absolutely! Jeff Kinney has received numerous accolades for his contributions to children's literature, including the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children's Book Award and the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award for Favorite Book multiple times. QWhat inspired by his own experiences growing up and always had a passion for drawing. He initially created the series as a webcomic before it was published as a book. His goal was to write a story that would resonate with kids and even adults by tapping into the universal trials and tribulations of middle school life.QDoes Jeff Kinney have any other projects or series? A veries? A veries with additional books like "Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid" and has even ventured into movie adaptations of his popular series. He's also the creator of Poptropica, an online role-playing website designed for kids. QCan readers meet Jeff Kinney in person? AKinney often participates in book tours and signings where fans can meet him. These events are great opportunities for readers to get their books signed and maybe even hear Kinney's work?AFans should check out his official website and social media profiles. Kinney and his team do a fantastic job of keeping followers in the loop about upcoming book releases, events, and other exciting news related to the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" universe. Our commitment to delivering trustworthy and engaging content is at the heart of what we do. Each fact on our site is contributed by real users like you, bringing a wealth of diverse insights and information. To ensure the highest standards of accuracy and reliability, our dedicated editors meticulously review each submission. This process guarantees that the facts we share are not only fascinating but also credible. Trust in our commitment to quality and authenticity as you explore and learn with us. Here are some facts about Jeff Kinney, the author of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid books. Jeff Kinney was born on 19th February, 1971 in Fort Washington, Maryland (US) He is married to Julie and has two sons, Will and Grant. The Diary of a Wimpy Kid started life online in 2004 and became really popular (receiving over 80 million visitors). Some of the fans wanted a print version, so Jeff Kinney released the first Diary of a Wimpy Kid book in 2007. Over 75 million copies of books in the Diary of a Wimpy Kids series have been sold. At the time of writing, there have been 3 film versions of the books (Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days) As well as being an author, Jeff Kinney is also a cartoonist and online game creator. He designed the books (Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days) As well as being an author, Jeff Kinney is also a cartoonist and online game creator. He designed the books (Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days) As well as being an author, Jeff Kinney is also a cartoonist and online game creator. Poptropica website. Jeff plays volleyball twice a week. He didn't keep a diary when he was younger, but he now writes in a journal. Jeff Kinney is Cub Scout master. when he started to make lots of money from the success of his books, Jeff bought the house next door to his home. He uses this as his writing space. What next? Learn more about other important children's authors. Penguin Kids | Youtube Jeff Kinney was born on February 19, 1971, in Fort Washington, Maryland. He grew up with two brothers and a sister. His love for books and drawing started early, and he was a hige fan of comics like Peanuts and Calvin and Hobbes. As with most writers, his childhood was a huge source of ideas for his books. More on those in a hot minute! Igdoof | Jeff Kinney Jeff went to the University of Maryland, where he created his first try at cartooning, and it helped him work out his style and how he liked to tell stories. Igdoof was a big success, and you can see how it evolved into Wimpy Kid! Peanuts | Charles Schulz Jeff Kinney was greatly influenced by classic comics and comedy writers. We already mentioned how he loved reading the "Peanuts" comics by Charles Schulz, but he also was a huge fanof books by authors like Judy Blume and Beverly Cleary. These influences helped shape his career - and he always said that if you want to be a good writer, first you have to be a good reader. Wise words! Wimpy Kid | Youtube Jeff had the idea for "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" all the way back in 1998! He wanted to write a story that was part journal, part comic strip. It took him eight years to work out how to do it, and then finally put together the first book. Before he had any kind of book deal, Jeff just stuck the story online! The first story got over 20 million views on the original website - but people still wanted a printed version! Wimpy Kid | Youtube The first biary of a Wimpy Kid was published in 2007 and was an instant hit! Kids everywhere loved the relatable tales of Greg Heffley, a hilariously ordinary middle was published in 2007 and was an instant hit! Kids everywhere loved the relatable tales of Greg Heffley, a hilariously ordinary middle was published in 2007 and was an instant hit! 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Fans of the books will remember what Greg and his friends calls the "cheese touch" - which is what happens when you touch the gross bit of cheese that's been lurking in the school for years. Jeff revealed in an interview that the cheese touch was a real story from his own school! The best stories really are real! Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules | David Bowers | Nina Jacobson | 20th Century Fox The success of the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" books meant it wasn't long before it became a series of movies. The first film was a live action and was released in 2010, and it was followed by several more. There were eventually 4 of these made, and now there's a new animated version coming out soon too! But more on that later! Wimpy Kid | Youtube As well as the main "Diary of a Wimpy Kid," which is told from the perspective of Greg's best friend, Rowley Jefferson. These spin-offs make the Wimpy Kid universe bigger, better, and funnier! Poptropica.com Jeff Kinney is not just an author and cartoonist. He is also a game designer and developed the website Poptropica, a virtual world full of fun games for kids. Poptropica was listed on Time magazine's list of "50 Websites that Make the Web Great", and they described as "an inventive megasite for kids with a wholesome and slightly educational bent". High praise! The site has brought fun to millions of kids now, from around the world! @WFSB3 | Youtube Jeff used to some of the money from his successes to buy a bookstore in Plainville, Massachusetts! The store is called An Unlikely Story, and is more than just a place to buy books. It hosts events and workshops for aspiring writers and artists, and gives a place from Jeff's local community to be creative and have fun. It's a real place you can visit and who knows - maybe you'll bump into Jeff's local community to be creative and have fun. 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understand and effective, using basic lines and shapes to create funny, expressive characters. He thinks that anyone can draw and wants to encourage kids to just have fun with their art. His art style has since been teh inspiration for the new Disney+ animated version of the books, where they've kept Jeff's style but made it 3d and full of colour! Wimpy Kid | Youtube Unfortunately the isn't a Diary of a Wimpy Kid theme park - but there should be! There are lots of other great things that the stories have morphed into it though, like video games, movies, TV shows - and even had a run on Broadway! Wimpy Kid | Youtube Jeff is a busy guy, but he's still writing and drawing, and always thinking up new adventures for Greg Heffley and his friends. He has lost of fans now, of all ages, and they patiently wait for his new books! Luckily for them, Jeff shows no signs of slowing down! So we're looking forward to seeing what he comes up with next - and how he can keep inspiring kids to read more. Thanks for everything, Jeff! Jeff Kinney is one of the most well-known and successful children's literature. However, how much do we really know about Jeff Kinney's first book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big with the Wimpy Kid, Jeff Kinney's first attempt at writing a book was a flop Before he made it big writing attempt at writing at writing at writing attempt at writing at publishers but was rejected by all of them. Despite this setback, Kinney persevered and continued to develop his writing, eventually finding success with the Wimpy Kid came from his own childhood The character of Greg Heffley, the protagonist in the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series, is loosely based on Jeff Kinney's own childhood experiences. Kinney has stated that the series is partly autobiographical, with many of the events and characters in the book being inspired by his own life. Fact 3: Jeff Kinney is a self-taught cartoonist Despite having no formal training in art, Jeff Kinney is a talented cartoonist and has created all of the illustrations in the Wimpy Kid series himself. He learned how to draw by studying cartoons in newspapers and comic books and by practicing his own art. Fact 4: Jeff Kinney first started writing and illustrating the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid to be a webcomic. He created a website called Funbrain on which he posted his work, but it wasn't until a publisher contacted him that he decided to turn it into a book series. Fact 5: Jeff Kinney is also a video game designer. He is the creator of 'Poptropica', a kid-friendly online game that has over 500 million registered users worldwide. Fact 6: Jeff Kinney had to quit his job to become a full-time writer. Fact 7: Jeff Kinney is a philanthropist Jeff Kinney is a charitable person and has donated millions of dollars to various causes over the years. He has contributed to organizations such as First Book, which provides books to children in need, and the 826 National writing program, which helps to improve literacy skills in children. Fact 8: Jeff Kinney is a Guinness World Record holder In 2019, Jeff Kinney broke the Guinness World Record for the most people reading aloud from one book at the same time. The event took place in Massachusetts and involved 2,136 people reading from the latest 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' book, 'Wrecking Ball'. Fact 9: Jeff Kinney is a family man Despite his busy schedule, Jeff Kinney prioritizes his family above all else. He is married with two sons and has stated that he spends most of his free time with them. Fact 10: Jeff Kinney has no plans to stop writing the Wimpy Kid Despite having written 16 books in the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series so far, Jeff Kinney has no plans to stop anytime soon. He has said in interviews that the character of Greg Heffley still has more stories to tell, and he intends to keep writing as long as people continue to enjoy the books. Conclusion Jeff Kinney may be best known for creating the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series, but there is so much more to this talented author and artist than just that. From his humble beginnings to his numerous philanthropic endeavors, Jeff Kinney has carved out a unique and inspiring path for himself. We hope that this article has provided some interesting insights into the life and work of this remarkable individual. WE WANT YOU (Note: Do you have knowledge or insights into the life and work of this remarkable individual. WE want your reach by joining our authors team. Click Registration to join us and share your expertise with our readers.) Speech tips: Please note that any statements involving politics will not be approved. If you don't recognize this author's work. He created the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series that has also been turned into a movie series. Here are some interesting facts about Kinney that will help you to enjoy the stories even more. 1. Writing Wasn't His Thing As with most writers, Kinney didn't hit it big right away. He wasn't even studying to follow a writing career early on in life. He was actually trying to become a Federal corrections officer. That's right. Jeff Kinney wanted to work in prisons Since schools sometimes seem like prisons, the education he received likely paid off anyway. 2. It's a Family Affair Many people were introduced to the Wimpy Kid series because of the movies. Jeff's brother Scott was actually involved in the production of the first movie. He wrote one of the songs that appears on the film's soundtrack and it's just as catchy as the story. 3. A Nintendo Kid Kinney loved one particular game over any other while growing up: Mario Kart. Maybe it has something to do with the fact that there are turtles in the game. Kinney's first every drawing that he considered to be "acceptable" happened at the age of 3 and the subject of the artwork happened to be a turtle Coincidence? Maybe... or maybe not. 4. A Tasty Sandwich Kinney has several favorite foods. Sometimes a few on his list might change, however, is his favorite sandwich. Whether he likes the crunchy kind of peanut butter or the smooth type we'll leave to the

imagination. 5. Not a Musician Sometimes Kinney says that to his brother Scott. Jeff Kinney created an iconic novel in cartoons that has become a bestselling piece of literature. If you haven't picked up one of the books in the Wimpy Kid series, then you're missing out on something special.