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Why You Should Take a Trip to the Chocolate Factory – a book review

Ever wanted a book as moreish as your favourite chocolate bar? This book review will persuade you to rush to our library in search of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, a brilliant tale written by the one and only Roald Dahl.

So, what makes this particular story so scrumdiddlyumptious, we hear you cry?! Firstly, the protagonist is a primary school-aged child called Charlie Bucket. He comes from an impoverished family who dream of a better life. The Buckets know of the intelligent and creative, but intriguingly mysterious, Willy Wonka and often speculate about his enigmatic life and creations.

One day, Willy Wonka launches an unparalleled worldwide competition in which consumers of his chocolate have the chance to secure a Golden Ticket, granting them entry to his mysterious factory.

We won't give any more away, as we would love for you to explore this wonderful book for yourselves. For us, it was inspiring and surprisingly uplifting. It includes themes of truthfulness, perseverance and courage. We promise it won't be glubbage!



A Potted History – The Berlin Wall

Walls have always been an important part of human storytelling and, of course, history. Humpty Dumpty's wall, Hadrian's Wall and, of course, the Great Wall of China are all famous examples. A more modern wall is the Berlin Wall and, in this short informative piece, we will build a picture of what it was, why it was significant, and how it fell.

After World War II, the country of Germany was split into two parts: West Germany, which was friendly with countries like the UK and USA and allowed people more freedom, and East Germany, which was controlled by the Soviet Union and had stricter rules. The city of Berlin was also split into East and West, even though it was located inside East Germany.

The Berlin Wall stood from 1961 to 1989. The wall separated East Berlin from West Berlin. Many families were split apart, with some even risking their lives to cross the wall. The wall's main purpose was to stop East Berlin citizens from escaping to the West. To keep people away from the wall, many defence systems and guards were put in place.

However, on 9th November 1989, the East German government mistakenly announced that people could freely cross the border. Crowds gradually gathered, bringing tools and beginning to destroy the wall, which led to its collapse.

This marked the beginning of the end of the Cold War (which is a history lesson for another day!). The fall of the wall led to reunited families, greater freedom in Germany, and an important global lesson about peace rather than division.



A Place to Be Us

Poetry based on a school feature

*A plethora of plants that smell so sweet,
Small, grainy gravel beneath my feet.
A place where I can feel unique
Where am I?*

*A large, reflective silver globe,
As water trickles, the sphere it enrobes
My negative thoughts begin to erode
Where am I?*

*Colourful windmills spin in the breeze,
Windchimes sing their harmonic songs with ease,
They dance with the butterflies in the trees
Where am I?*

*Mrs Caird, Mr Pycraft and
Mrs Jinkerson have worked tirelessly,
An inclusive garden for us they see,
The nurture garden is a place
where we can be free,
A place where I can truly be me.*

