

Middlesbrough Reads Roald Dahl challenges

George's Marvellous Medicine

Can you believe it's been three whole weeks since our last Roald Dahl Challenge?! The next one is inspired by *George's Marvellous Medicine* for some magical recipe writing. Three lucky winners will receive a bundle of books.

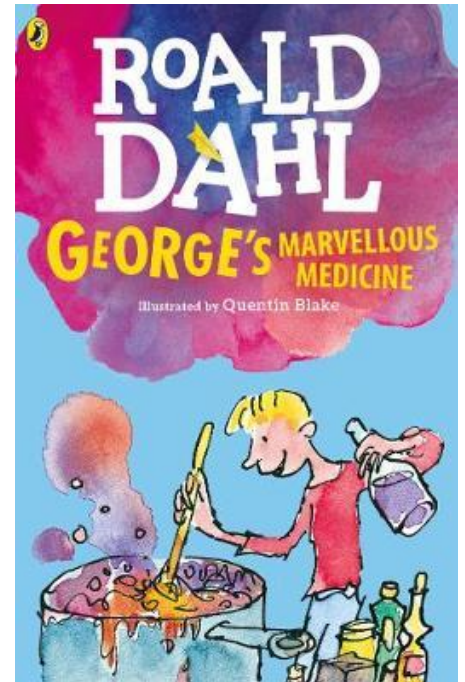
In the book, George is bullied and picked on by his Grandma so one day he swaps her medicine for a brown coloured homemade mixture with ingredients including floor polish, deodorant, and horse radish – yuck! When Grandma swallows it she grows extremely tall and bursts through the roof.

For this challenge we'd like children to write a recipe for their own magical potion. You need to include a list of ingredients, step-by-step instructions, and a description of its magical powers! Please be very careful when writing your recipe and remember that your potion is not edible in real life.

As a bonus, we will upload a video of the Middlesbrough Reads team attempting to make the winning entries.

Please send all entries to bororeads@literacytrust.org.uk by noon on Friday 5 June. Please include the child's name, age, and the school they attend in your email.

Good luck!



Top tips

- Watch [this video](#) from BBC Bitesize for top tips on writing a recipe or a set of instructions for a potion
- Have a look [at these lesson plans](#) about George's Marvellous Medicine. You'll find recipes and potions from famous writers, extracts from the book, and tips on how to use techniques like alliteration and onomatopoeias.
- Listen to the opening of George's Marvellous Medicine [on Soundcloud](#), and download the Roald Dahl app to listen to the first chapter for free

