

Fun Facts About Dr. Seuss



(That you probably didn't already know)

Dr. Seuss was born **Theodor Seuss Geisel** on

March 2, 1904 in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Seuss was not a doctor. He added **Dr.** to his name in college to lend credibility to his writing.

Geisel's first book **And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street** was rejected **27** times before it was finally published.

Seuss won a \$50 bet with his publisher by writing **Green Eggs and Ham** using only **50** words.

Seuss based the Grinch character on himself to try to **Rediscover something about Christmas** that obviously I'd lost.

Though he had no children of his own, he invented an imaginary one named **Chrysanthemum-Pearl** that he used to brag about.

If I Ran The Zoo holds the distinction of being the first published record of the word **Nerd**.

He purchased an old observation tower in **La Jolla, California** where he'd write at least **8 hours** a day.

Dr. Seuss wrote and illustrated **44** children's books in his lifetime.

