

Who Is Dolly Parton

Dolly Parton, Gender, and Country Music

Introduction: Dolly mythology -- \"Backwoods Barbie\": Dolly Parton's gender performance -- My Tennessee mountain home: early Parton and authenticity narratives -- Parton's crossover and film stardom: the \"hillbilly Mae West\"--Hungry again: reclaiming country authenticity narratives -- \"Digital Dolly\" and new media fandoms -- Conclusion: brand evolution and Dollywood

Dream More

The legendary Dolly Parton shares her heartfelt hopes and dreams for everyone. Expanding on the popular commencement speech Dolly Parton gave at the University of Tennessee, Dream More is a deeper and richer exploration of the personal philosophy she has forged over the course of her astonishing career as a singer, songwriter, performer, and philanthropist. Dolly elaborates on the four great hopes she wants us all to embrace: Dream more, Learn more, Care more, and Be more. She offers examples from her own life, from her childhood in the hills of eastern Tennessee to her life as the iconic performer she is today. From one of the legends of our time, Dream More is an honest, funny, and uplifting anthem for all who want to take charge of their lives and forge a future on their own terms.

She Come By It Natural

In this Time Top 100 Book of the Year, the National Book Award finalist and New York Times bestselling author of Heartland “analyzes how Dolly Parton’s songs—and success—have embodied feminism for working-class women” (People). Growing up amid Kansas wheat fields and airplane factories, Sarah Smarsh witnessed firsthand the particular vulnerabilities—and strengths—of women in working poverty. Meanwhile, country songs by female artists played in the background, telling powerful stories about life, men, hard times, and surviving. In her family, she writes, “country music was foremost a language among women. It’s how we talked to each other in a place where feelings aren’t discussed.” And no one provided that language better than Dolly Parton. In this “tribute to the woman who continues to demonstrate that feminism comes in coats of many colors,” Smarsh tells readers how Parton’s songs have validated women who go unheard: the poor woman, the pregnant teenager, the struggling mother disparaged as “trailer trash.” Parton’s broader career—from singing on the front porch of her family’s cabin in the Great Smoky Mountains to achieving stardom in Nashville and Hollywood, from “girl singer” managed by powerful men to self-made mogul of business and philanthropy—offers a springboard to examining the intersections of gender, class, and culture. Infused with Smarsh’s trademark insight, intelligence, and humanity, this is “an ambitious book” (The New Republic) about the icon Dolly Parton and an “in-depth examination into gender and class and what it means to be a woman and a working-class hero that feels particularly important right now” (Refinery29).

Dolly Parton (My First Little People, Big Dreams)

This board book version of Dolly Parton—from the critically acclaimed, multimillion-copy best-selling Little People, BIG DREAMS series--introduces the youngest dreamers to the incredible life of this singer-songwriter and businesswoman. Little Dolly grew up in Tennessee in a family \"as poor as dirt.\" She started performing at an early age, singing on local radio and television. After graduating high school, she moved to Nashville to pursue her singing dreams. Her managers wanted her to sing pop, but she followed her heart to sing and write country songs. Her heart was right--Dolly became a musical superstar, but she never forgot where she came from. She now uses her wealth to give back to people, children, and animals in need. Babies

and toddlers will love to snuggle as you read to them the engaging story of this fascinating musician and will also enjoy exploring the stylish and quirky illustrations of this sturdy board book on their own. Little People, BIG DREAMS is a best-selling biography series for kids that explores the lives of outstanding people, from designers and artists to scientists and activists. All of them achieved incredible things, yet each began life as a child with a dream. This empowering series of books offers inspiring messages to children of all ages, in a range of formats. The board books are told in simple sentences, perfect for reading aloud to babies and toddlers. The hardcover and paperback versions present expanded stories for beginning readers. With rewritten text for older children, the treasuries each bring together a multitude of dreamers in a single volume. You can also collect a selection of the books by theme in boxed gift sets. Activity books and a journal provide even more ways to make the lives of these role models accessible to children. Inspire the next generation of outstanding people who will change the world with Little People, BIG DREAMS!

Run, Rose, Run

From America's most beloved superstar and #1 New York Times bestselling author James Patterson comes a thriller about a young singer-songwriter on the rise—and on the run—and determined to do whatever it takes to survive. Every song tells a story. She's a star on the rise, singing about the hard life behind her. She's also on the run. Find a future, lose a past. Nashville is where she's come to claim her destiny. It's also where the darkness she's fled might find her. And destroy her. Run, Rose, Run is a novel glittering with danger and desire—a story that only America's #1 beloved entertainer and its #1 bestselling author could have created.

I Am a Rainbow

Words and music describe different emotions in terms of color, as when everything is rosy when one feels joyful, then remind the reader that everyone experiences this same rainbow of emotions.

Dolly Parton, Songteller

Dolly Parton, Songteller: My Life in Lyrics is a landmark celebration of the remarkable life and career of a country music and pop culture legend. As told by Dolly Parton in her own inimitable words, explore the songs that have defined her journey. Illustrated throughout with previously unpublished images from Dolly Parton's personal and business archives. Mining over 60 years of songwriting, Dolly Parton highlights 175 of her songs and brings readers behind the lyrics. • Packed with never-before-seen photographs and classic memorabilia • Explores personal stories, candid insights, and myriad memories behind the songs Dolly Parton, Songteller: My Life in Lyrics reveals the stories and memories that have made Dolly a beloved icon across generations, genders, and social and international boundaries. Containing rare photos and memorabilia from Parton's archives, this book is a show-stopping must-have for every Dolly Parton fan. • Learn the history behind classic Parton songs like "Jolene," "9 to 5," "I Will Always Love You," and more. • The perfect gift for Dolly Parton fans (everyone loves Dolly!) as well as lovers of music history and country Add it to the shelf with books like Coat of Many Colors by Dolly Parton, The Beatles Anthology by The Beatles, and Born to Run by Bruce Springsteen.

What Is the Story of Doctor Who?

Who HQ brings you the stories behind the most beloved characters of our time. This What Is the Story of? title is out of this universe! Learn the history of the Time Lord, the TARDIS, and the epic battles they've faced across time and space. When Doctor Who began airing on the BBC in 1963, British audiences were introduced to the rogue Time Lord from the planet Gallifrey. Now, viewers from all over the world are glued to their screens for the mysterious Doctor's intergalactic adventures. But how did this time traveler become such a beloved character? Author Gabriel P. Cooper provides readers with the inside scoop on the Doctor's unique time machine, loyal companions, and diabolical foes. This book, just like the show, is sure to intrigue a new generation of fans.

Dolly Parton

Dolly Parton has been a wildly successful entertainer for more than sixty years. She is a country and pop music artist who has sold more than one hundred million albums worldwide, and in 1999, she became a member of the Country Music Hall of Fame. Parton has also starred in hit Hollywood movies such as *9 to 5*, and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library has helped provide millions of books to children around the world. Parton grew up in a two-room cabin in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee with eleven sisters and brothers. She wrote her first song when she was about five years old, and at thirteen, she performed on the Grand Ole Opry radio show. The day after her high school graduation, Parton moved to Nashville, Tennessee, where her career took off. Explore Parton's life and learn how a country girl with big dreams became one of the most iconic entertainers in US history.

The Faith of Dolly Parton

Dolly Parton has entertained, educated, and inspired millions of fans for over five decades. Whether she's writing songs, performing live, recording new albums, or helping children around the world learn to read with her Imagination Library nonprofit, the Queen of Country Music has never been shy about crediting her Christian faith for her success. Tennessee native, lifelong Dolly fan, and award-winning writer Dudley Delffs spotlights ten faith lessons as evidenced in Dolly's life, music, interviews, and attitude, giving you the tools you need to: Know when to stretch your wings Let your roots keep you grounded Dream your way forward Sometimes poignant, sometimes funny, frequently surprising, and always true to Dolly's down-home spirit of joyful generosity, *The Faith of Dolly Parton* will delight her millions of fans as well as anyone seeking a fresh, faith-filled role model. Praise for *The Faith of Dolly Parton*: \"Dudley's book gives great insight into why so many people around the world love Dolly Parton. While Dolly is one of the biggest superstars, she has never forgotten who she is and where she came from and the faith that anchors her life.\" --Bill Haslam, former governor of Tennessee \"You may know Dolly Parton as a legendary singer, songwriter, music producer, actor, author, philanthropist, or entrepreneur. But those external successes are born out of a deep personal faith in Jesus Christ. In *The Faith of Dolly Parton*, award-winning author Dudley Delffs guides you through ten powerful lessons based on the music, character, and heart of this entertainment legend. Delffs's insight into the sincere faith of Dolly Parton will warm your heart and inspire you to become more vulnerable as you grow stronger in your faith.\" --Craig Groeschel, pastor of Life.Church and New York Times bestselling author

My Little Golden Book About Dolly Parton

Help your little one dream big with a Little Golden Book biography all about beloved entertainer Dolly Parton! The perfect introduction to nonfiction for young readers! What's not to love about Dolly Parton? The multi-talented entertainer is generous, humble, smart, and funny. This Little Golden Book biography shares how someone from incredibly poor beginnings can blossom and persevere to become an award-winning songwriter and singer, actress, author, literacy advocate--and she even has her own theme park! Young girls and boys will definitely feel inspired after hearing Dolly's story. Look for more Little Golden Book biographies: • Willie Nelson • Beyoncé • Taylor Swift • Tony Bennett

Coat of Many Colors

Winter is coming to Tennessee and there's no money to buy a new coat, so a little girl's mama sews one for her out of rags. The little girl wears it to school proudly, and when the other children laugh, she gives them a quick lesson about what it means to be rich. Judith Sutton's beautiful paintings bring one of Dolly Parton's best-loved songs to life. \"The heartfelt verses are imbued with the same genuine, infectious likeable spirit Parton herself projects.\" Publishers Weekly.

Dolly

The successful country singer reveals her life since leaving home at the age of eighteen to pursue a singing career, while discussing her personal philosophies, her marriage, her friendships, and her achievements

Dolly

A rhythmically told and vibrantly illustrated picture book biography of Dolly Parton: an American icon beloved by all. You've likely heard of the performer Dolly Parton. But do you know where this dazzling songwriter and musician draws her roots? As one of twelve children growing up in rural Tennessee, Dolly was determined to be seen and heard. From her front porch to her church choir, every stage was an opportunity to perform and share her many talents. While balancing farm chores with schoolwork, Dolly never lost sight of her dreams, composing her first song at age five and performing at the Grand Ole Opry at age thirteen. With lilting language and vibrant artwork, this childhood story captures the unique gifts of Dolly Parton, while also honoring the measures of her success: resilience, confidence, family, and kindness.

Smart Blonde: The Life of Dolly Parton

The woman famous for proclaiming, "It costs a lot of money to look this cheap," has proven to be a powerhouse singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, record producer, actress, author, businesswoman, and philanthropist. The ascent of country music superstar Dolly Parton from modest means to the most honored female country performer of all-time is empowering and inspirational.

Dolly!

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A beautiful celebration of Dolly Parton's iconic sense of style through entertaining personal stories and 450 full-color photographs, including exclusive images from her private costume archive In *Behind the Seams: My Life in Rhinestones*, global superstar Dolly Parton shares, for the first time, the full story behind her lifelong passion for fashion, including how she developed her own, distinctly Dolly style, which has defied convention and endeared her to fans around the world. Featuring behind-the-scenes stories from Dolly Parton's life and career, and the largest reveal of her private costume archive, this gorgeously photographed book spotlights her most unforgettable looks from the 1960s to now. The sky-high heels, famous wigs, bold makeup, eye-catching stage clothes—she shares them all. Along the way, Parton discusses memorable outfits from her past, from the clothes her mother would sew out of feed sacks (including her "Coat of Many Colors") and the bold dresses and hairdos that shook up Nashville, to the bunny suit on the cover of *Playboy*, evening wear at Studio 54, costumes from her most famous film and TV roles, and the daring styles that continue to entertain and inspire today. Filled with candor, humor, and lots and lots of rhinestones, *Behind the Seams: My Life in Rhinestones* is a shining tribute to one of the most beloved musicians in history, a treasured keepsake for anyone who loves Dolly Parton, and an indispensable guide to forging your own path to beauty and confidence.

Female Force: Dolly Parton

(Piano/Vocal/Guitar Artist Songbook). 30 songs from this iconic country singer-songwriter, including: Coat of Many Colors * Do I Ever Cross Your Mind * Heartbreaker * Here You Come Again * I Will Always Love You * Islands in the Stream * Jolene * Joshua * Love Is like a Butterfly * Nine to Five * Please Don't Stop Loving Me * Tennessee Homesick Blues * Tomorrow Is Forever * Two Doors Down * Why'd You Come in Here Lookin' like That * Yellow Roses * and more.

Behind the Seams

This engaging, inspiring book provides readers with insights into how entertainment legend Dolly Parton

handles life's many challenges - and how they can too! Throughout her life, Dolly Parton has been seen as a beacon of guts, straight-talk, kindness and grit, beginning her life in poverty and growing to become one of the most resonant, prolific and long-lived icons of the modern era. In this new book, Dolly's personal code of conduct is transformed into practical guidance for readers who want to know how she would handle many of the real-life challenges they themselves are facing. Calling upon Dolly's personal examples, quotes, song titles and lyrics, and famous film scenes that were meaningful to her, as well as personal anecdotes provided by her co-stars, friends, family members, and peers, *Everything I Need to Know I Learned from Dolly Parton* provides insights into how to handle dozens of challenges, from managing heartbreak and succeeding at work, to raising children and responding to inequality. Dozens of quotes, insights and full-color photos provide a glimpse into how Dolly has lived her life and how her approach can help readers overcome anything thrown at them.

Dolly Parton - Greatest Hits (Songbook)

"Relevant images match informative text in this introduction to Dolly Parton. Intended for students in kindergarten through third grade"--Provided by publisher"

Everything I Need to Know I Learned from Dolly Parton

Full-tilt, hardcore, down-home, and groundbreaking, the women of country music speak volumes with every song. From Maybelle Carter to Dolly Parton, k.d. lang to Taylor Swift—these artists provided pivot points, truths, and doses of courage for women writers at every stage of their lives. Whether it's Rosanne Cash eulogizing June Carter Cash or a seventeen-year-old Taylor Swift considering the golden glimmer of another precocious superstar, Brenda Lee, it's the humanity beneath the music that resonates. Here are deeply personal essays from award-winning writers on femme fatales, feminists, groundbreakers, and truth tellers. Acclaimed historian Holly George Warren captures the spark of the rockabilly sensation Wanda Jackson; *Entertainment Weekly*'s Madison Vain considers Loretta Lynn's girl-power anthem "The Pill"; and rocker Grace Potter embraces Linda Ronstadt's unabashed visual and musical influence. Patty Griffin acts like a balm on a post-9/11 survivor on the run; Emmylou Harris offers a gateway through paralyzing grief; and Lucinda Williams proves that greatness is where you find it. Part history, part confessional, and part celebration of country, Americana, and bluegrass and the women who make them, *Woman Walk the Line* is a very personal collection of essays from some of America's most intriguing women writers. It speaks to the ways in which artists mark our lives at different ages and in various states of grace and imperfection—and ultimately how music transforms not just the person making it, but also the listener.

Dolly Parton

A deluxe edition of the stunning celebration of Dolly Parton's iconic career as a performer, featuring the 350 extraordinary images and eight-page gatefold list of performances from the original edition, as well as exclusive features, including • Gilded edges • Gorgeous enhanced cover with upgraded special effects • Satin ribbon marker • Three 8" x 10" Star of the Show-themed full-color prints enclosed in an envelope In *Star of the Show*, the culminating book in Dolly Parton's photographic trilogy—following *Songteller* (lyrics) and *Behind the Seams* (fashion)—the global superstar finally shares a definitive look at her career as one of the world's most dazzling and beloved performers. Featuring engaging stories and memories from Parton's dynamic life behind the microphone, this book spotlights her signature performances and star-making moments, from singing in front of her family to premiering on the Grand Ole Opry stage and beyond. Her formative years performing with country legend Porter Wagoner are chronicled as she learns hard lessons from life on the road. Breaking out on her own at state fairs and critically acclaimed venues, she toured the world performing for millions of fans in arenas, stadiums, and at festivals. From making her onscreen debut in the blockbuster feature film *9 to 5* to playing the Dallas Cowboys' 2023 Thanksgiving halftime show to 42 million viewers, this global superstar knows no limits. Along the way, Dolly shares the stage with Kenny Rogers, Linda Ronstadt, Emmylou Harris, and others, while offering insight on touring big, singing strong,

and staying on top for seven decades. Brimming with Parton's trademark wit and heartfelt sincerity, *Star of the Show: My Life on Stage* is not only an homage to one of history's most cherished artists, but also a must-have collector's item for—and love letter to—any fan of the one and only Dolly Parton.

Woman Walk the Line

A star par excellence, Dolly Parton is one of country music's most likable personalities. Even a hard-rocking punk or orchestral aesthete can't help cracking a smile or singing along with songs like "Jolene" and "9 to 5." More than a mere singer or actress, Parton is a true cultural phenomenon, immediately recognizable and beloved for her talent, tinkling laugh, and steel magnolia spirit. She is also the only female star to have her own themed amusement park: Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Every year thousands of fans flock to Dollywood to celebrate the icon, and Helen Morales is one of those fans. In *Pilgrimage to Dollywood*, Morales sets out to discover Parton's Tennessee. Her travels begin at the top celebrity pilgrimage site of Elvis Presley's Graceland, then take her to Loretta Lynn's ranch in Hurricane Mills; the Country Music Hall of Fame and the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville; to Sevierville, Gatlinburg, and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park; and finally to Pigeon Forge, home of the "Dolly Homecoming Parade," featuring the star herself as grand marshal. Morales's adventure allows her to compare the imaginary Tennessee of Parton's lyrics with the real Tennessee where the singer grew up, looking at essential connections between country music, the land, and a way of life. It's also a personal pilgrimage for Morales. Accompanied by her partner, Tony, and their nine-year-old daughter, Athena (who respectively prefer Mozart and Miley Cyrus), Morales, a recent transplant from England, seeks to understand America and American values through the celebrity sites and attractions of Tennessee. This celebration of Dolly and Americana is for anyone with an old country soul who relies on music to help understand the world, and it is guaranteed to make a Dolly Parton fan of anyone who has not yet fallen for her music or charisma.

Star of the Show [Deluxe Edition]

Dolly Parton is a country music legend, but also one of America's most beloved celebrities. Her warmth, spirit, and no-nonsense advice is embraced by millions of people who love her positive personality and encouraging attitude. In this coloring book, Dolly's inspiring words will be paired with equally inspiring designs to color. Sample quotations include: "The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain." "If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one." "You'd be surprised how much it costs to look this cheap!" This clever and lovely coloring book series combines quotations from beloved wise women with beautiful black-and-white illustrations. In an attractive paperback format with foil embellishments, these books stand on their own as lovely art objects and impressive gifts.

Pilgrimage to Dollywood

Selected as One of Oprah's Favorite Things 2021 "It's never too early to introduce youngsters to inspiring people who have changed the world." – As Oprah says on OprahDaily.com Meet three inspirational women from the world of music: Ella Fitzgerald, Dolly Parton and Josephine Baker! This boxed gift set of three hardback books from the internationally bestselling Little People, BIG DREAMS series introduces little dreamers to the lives of these incredible women who worked in music and changed the world. In these remarkable true stories, learn how three women overcame hardship to achieve great success in music. Ella spent her early years singing and dancing on the streets of Harlem. She went on to become one of the most famous jazz singers of the twentieth century. Dolly grew up poor in money but rich in love. She followed her musical passion to make her name as a world-famous singer songwriter and businesswoman. Josephine was born for the stage. She moved to Paris and found her audience, working as a dancer, and actor – and even a French Resistance agent. Each of these moving books features stylish and quirky illustrations and extra facts at the back, including a biographical timeline with historical photos and a detailed profile of the woman's life. Little People, BIG DREAMS is a bestselling biography series for kids that explores the lives of outstanding people, from designers and artists to scientists and activists. All of them achieved incredible things, yet each

began life as a child with a dream. This empowering series of books offers inspiring messages to children of all ages, in a range of formats. The board books are told in simple sentences, perfect for reading aloud to babies and toddlers. The hardback and paperback versions present expanded stories for beginning readers. With rewritten text for older children, the treasuries each bring together a multitude of dreamers in a single volume. You can also collect a selection of the books by theme in boxed gift sets. Activity books and a journal provide even more ways to make the lives of these role models accessible to children. Inspire the next generation of outstanding people who will change the world with Little People, BIG DREAMS!

She Said It Best: Dolly Parton

Help your little one dream big with a Little Golden Book biography about America's First Lady of Television, Betty White! The perfect introduction to nonfiction for young readers! This Little Golden Book about Betty White--television star, comedian, animal lover, and game show competitor--is a celebration of the beloved woman! A great read-aloud for young girls and boys--as well as their parents and grandparents who grew up watching Betty on The Mary Tyler Moore Show and The Golden Girls. Look for more Little Golden Book biographies: • Carol Burnett • Lucille Ball • Harry Belafonte • Julie Andrews • Dwayne Johnson

Little People, BIG DREAMS: Music Stars

Discover why Selena, the Queen of Tejano music, became one of the most celebrated Mexican-American entertainers of the twentieth century! As a young girl, Selena Quintanilla sang in a band called Selena y Los Dinos with her brother and sister. The family performed at fairs, weddings, quinceañeras, and on street corners in their native Texas. Selena learned how to sing in Spanish and soon became hugely popular within the Latino community--so much so that she became the best-selling Latin artist of the 1990s. Selena was poised to be a great success, but her life was cut short after being fatally wounded by the president of her fan club. Selena's contributions to music and fashion during her life made her one of the top Latin musicians in the 1990s, and readers will want to know more about the woman who introduced the world to Tejano music.

My Little Golden Book About Betty White

Immediately upon publication in 1998, the Encyclopedia of Country Music became a much-loved reference source, prized for the wealth of information it contained on that most American of musical genres. Countless fans have used it as the source for answers to questions about everything from country's first commercially successful recording, to the genre's pioneering music videos, to what conjunto music is. This thoroughly revised new edition includes more than 1,200 A-Z entries covering nine decades of history and artistry, from the Carter Family recordings of the 1920s to the reign of Taylor Swift in the first decade of the twenty-first century. Compiled by a team of experts at the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, the encyclopedia has been brought completely up-to-date, with new entries on the artists who have profoundly influenced country music in recent years, such as the Dixie Chicks and Keith Urban. The new edition also explores the latest and most critical trends within the industry, shedding light on such topics as the digital revolution, the shifting politics of country music, and the impact of American Idol (reflected in the stardom of Carrie Underwood). Other essays cover the literature of country music, the importance of Nashville as a music center, and the colorful outfits that have long been a staple of the genre. The volume features hundreds of images, including a photo essay of album covers; a foreword by country music superstar Vince Gill (the winner of twenty Grammy Awards); and twelve fascinating appendices, ranging from lists of awards to the best-selling country albums of all time. Winner of the Best Reference Award from the Popular Culture Association "Any serious country music fan will treasure this authoritative book." --The Seattle Times "A long-awaited, major accomplishment, which educators, historians and students, broadcasters and music writers, artists and fans alike, will welcome and enjoy." --The Nashville Musician "Should prove a valuable resource to those who work in the country music business. But it's also an entertaining read for the music's true fans." --Houston Chronicle "This big, handsome volume spans the history of country music, listing not

only artists and groups but also important individuals and institutions.\" --San Francisco Examiner \"Promises to be the definitive historical and biographical work on the past eight decades of country music. Well written and heavily illustrated an unparalleled work, worth its price and highly recommended.\" --Library Journal

Who Was Selena?

Everyone loves Harry Potter. Now kids can learn about Harry's creator! In 1995, on a four-hour-delayed train from Manchester to London, J. K. Rowling conceived of the idea of a boy wizard named Harry Potter. Upon arriving in London, she began immediately writing the first book in the saga. Rowling's true-life, rags-to-riches story is as compelling as the world of Hogwarts that she created. This biography details not only Rowling's life and her love of literature but the story behind the creation of a modern classic.

The Encyclopedia of Country Music

Who doesn't love Lucy? The legendary actress, producer, and comedian steps into the Who Was? spotlight. Much like her hit TV show, *I Love Lucy*, Americans in the 1950s fell in love with Lucy. Born in New York in 1911, Lucille Ball was always a natural performer. She danced in the chorus of Broadway shows and acted in small parts in Hollywood movies. But Ball's true gift was comedy. She found a way to showcase her gifts in 1951 when CBS gave her the chance to star in a sitcom. She based the show on her life and called it *I Love Lucy*. Over sixty years later, it is still one of the most loved television shows of all time. Lucille Ball became the first woman to run a major television studio, Desilu, and her comedic genius has kept people laughing for generations.

Who Is J.K. Rowling?

Learn how Lady Diana Spencer became the People's Princess as she takes her place in the ranks of the Who Was? series. A shy twenty-year-old girl stepped out of a horse-drawn coach and into the world spotlight, capturing the imagination of millions as a real life fairytale princess. Although the storybook marriage didn't have a happy ending, Diana learned to use her fame as a way to champion charitable causes near to her heart. She became the People's Princess by humanizing the image of the royal family and showing care and concern for all people, including the homeless, the sick, and others in need.

Who Was Lucille Ball?

Written by an award-winning aquanaut and with art by a #1 New York Times bestselling illustrator, this inspiring picture book encourages readers to explore their world, build their self-esteem and imagine what they can do and become when they grow up. When I was young, the world seemed too dangerous. Everything was too hard. I was too young. Places were too far away. But that was okay because I had a big imagination . . . Through beautiful, spare text, Jill Heinerth tells her story about a girl who feels too young, too little and too far away from her dreams. But you don't need to wait to grow up. It doesn't take much to imagine all the things you can do and be. What if your bedroom were a space station? What would it be like to have flippers or tusks? In your own home you can explore new worlds and meet new friends. Jaime Kim's luminous art transports readers back and forth through time to see how Jill's imagination as a young girl laid the pathway to her accomplishments and experiences as an underwater explorer.

Who Was Princess Diana?

Follow this mischievous dinosaur as he frolics, rollicks, frisks and romps. Each colorful page introduces simple synonyms and a fun-filled way to build vocabulary and word recognition.

The Aquanaut

Grab your Js and hit the court with this Who Was? biography about NBA superstar Michael Jordan. Meet the man who changed the game forever. Michael Jordan has always been competitive—even as a young boy, he fought for attention. His need to be the best made him a star player on his college basketball team and helped him become an NBA legend, both for his skills and his endorsements. His Nike contract for Air Jordan basketball shoes set an unmatched precedent for professional athletes. Author Kirsten Anderson takes readers through each exciting moment, detailing the iconic reverse lay-ups and jump shots of Michael Jordan's storied career. Look for more Who HQ titles: Who Is LeBron James? Who Was Kobe Bryant? Who Is Shaquille O'Neal? Who Is the Man in the Air?: Michael Jordan

Thesaurus Rex

The inspiring story of the seven-time Super Bowl champion, told in the new Who HQ Now format for trending topics. On February 7, 2021, Tom Brady lifted the Vince Lombardi Trophy into the air for the seventh time in his career. After winning the Super Bowl six times with the New England Patriots, this was Brady's first win with his new team, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The record-breaking win further solidified what many people had already believed for two decades: Tom Brady is the GOAT: Greatest Of All Time. This moving story details the life of Tom Brady and the victories that led him to become the 264-game-winning NFL quarterback we cheer for today.

Who Is Michael Jordan?

Born in a little cabin in Tennessee, Dolly Parton always dreamed big, and she was right to! She wrote her first song at age five and became a country music star by the time she was in her early twenties. Of course, her success didn't stop there. Dolly Parton is also an actress, author, businesswoman, and philanthropist whose "Imagination Library" reading initiative reaches children throughout the US, Canada, and the UK. There is simply no one like Dolly Parton!

Who Is Tom Brady?

Claude Monet is considered one of the most influential artists of all time. He is a founder of the French Impressionist art movement, and today his paintings sell for millions of dollars. While Monet was alive, however, his work was often criticized and he struggled financially. With over one hundred black-and-white illustrations, this book unveils a true portrait of the artist!

Who Is Dolly Parton?

A collection of quotations from one of America's most beloved cultural icons. Curated from Dolly Parton's numerous public statements—interviews, speeches, social media posts, and more—this is a comprehensive picture of her legacy as a musician, businesswoman, and philanthropist. Since her career began in the Nashville music scene of the 1960s, Parton has become revered for her work as a singer, multi-instrumentalist, and songwriter, selling over one hundred million records and being inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame. And beyond her musical achievements, she co-owns the Dollywood Company and is renowned for the philanthropic work of her Dollywood Foundation. This collection is a look into the inner workings of the woman known for penning such hits as "I Will Always Love You," "Jolene," and "9 to 5." Now, for the first time, you can find Parton's most inspirational, thought-provoking quotes in one place, providing an intimate and direct look into the mind of this legendary woman.

Who Was Claude Monet?

Dolly Parton

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