



Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Red group – Michael Rosen

Please complete writing activities in work book.

I would love to see your child's progress!

Thank you, Mrs Bradwell.

Well done for all of your hard work so far!

I am very impressed with the work I have been sent!

Today you are going to learn about Michael Rosen.

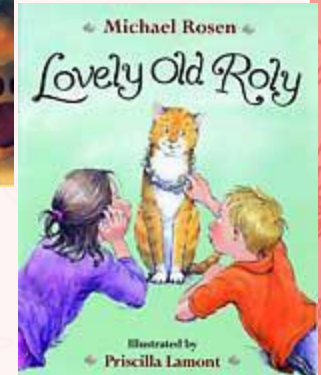
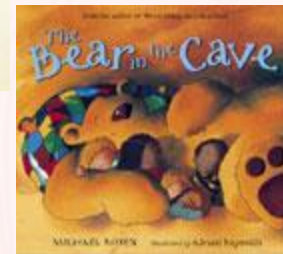
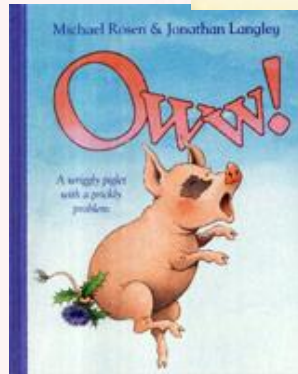
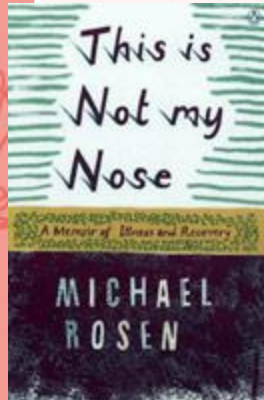
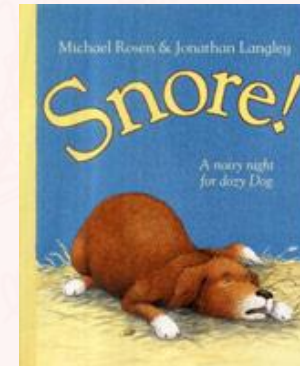
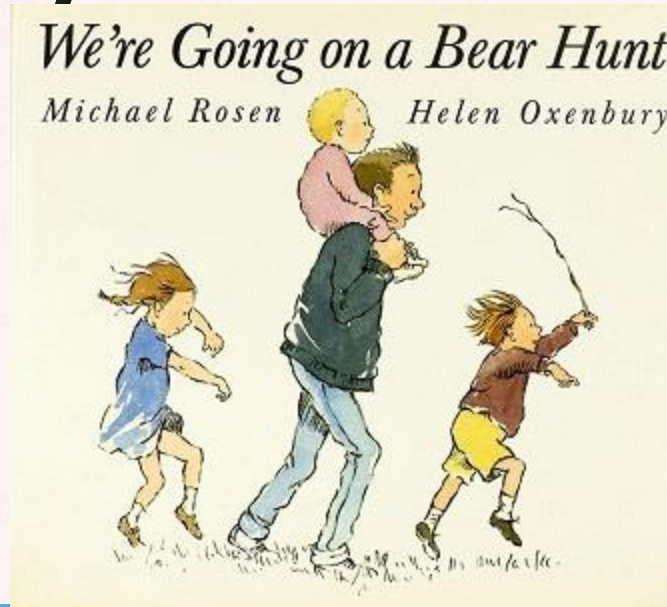
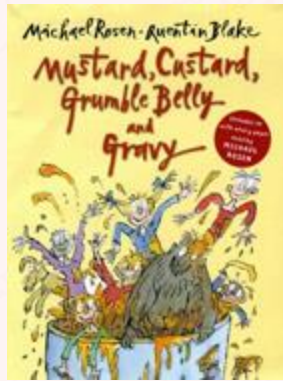
Before you start today's lesson I would like you to do some quick research about Michael Rosen and answer these questions –

- 1) What is Michael Rosen's profession?
- 2) What do you think he is most famous for?
- 3) Have you heard or read any of his work before?

MICHAEL ROSEN



# Here is a selection of books written by Michael Rosen:



Have you read any of these?

# Biography

## Michael Wayne Rosen

He was born May 7, 1946 in Harrow North London, and brought up in Pinner, Middlesex, in England.

Michael is a children's novelist and poet and the author of 140 books. He was appointed as the fifth Children's Laureate in June 2007, succeeding Jacqueline Wilson

Michael Rosen is also renowned for his work as a poet, performer, broadcaster and scriptwriter.

- Michael Rosen started writing poetry when he was about twelve years old.
- He went to various schools in Pinner, Harrow and Watford and by the time he was sixteen he was a keen poetry reader.
- Michael attended Middlesex Hospital Medical School for a year but quickly transferred to Wadham College, Oxford to study English. At Oxford, he started to realise his ambition of acting.
- His next stop was the BBC, where he worked on Play School, Schools TV and radio dramas until 1972 when he went freelance. He then wrote some poems about his childhood and these were published by Andre Deutsch in 1974 as *Mind Your Own Business*.
- Michael has continued to write since...

I would like you to watch Michael Rosen perform some of his most famous poems:

<https://www.michaelrosen.co.uk/>

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Choose 3 more of his videos to watch.



I hope you enjoyed listening to Michael Rosen performing his poetry.

Your task for today is to read Chocolate Cake (Chocolate Cake can be found with the files for today) and try to perform a part or all of the poem to someone at home.

I wish we were all in class as I was very excited to do this in school this week!

Watch the video from Oak National Academy about how to perform poetry.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-perform-a-poem-70tp4t?activity=video&step=1>

## Activity 2 –

If you're lucky enough to have some chocolate at home (and allowed – ask permission first!) please use your senses to describe the chocolate. Can you use alliteration, similes, adjectives?

Touch

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Taste



Smell

How does it make you feel?

What was the wrapper like?