



We are going to think about our future goals.

**We are going to start by looking at the goals and
achievements of a well-known author.**

J.K. Rowling

- J.K. Rowling is a British author.
- She is most known for writing the Harry Potter series.
- She is the UK's best-selling living author.
- *Harry Potter* is now a global brand worth and the last four *Harry Potter* books have consecutively set records as the fastest-selling books in history.
- How do you think she felt when her books became a global success?



What are 2 of your biggest achievements to date?

J.K. Rowling

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- In her teenage years, her mother became ill with Multiple Sclerosis and she had a difficult relationship with her Dad.
- She went to University.
- She married and had a child but got divorced after 3 years.
- Her Mum died before she had invented the idea of Harry Potter so she never had a chance to tell her.
- After the divorce she was living on benefits/ welfare and was very poor.
- 12 publishers rejected the first Harry Potter book.
- She is now a billionaire and her books bring pleasure to millions of people.



Do you think she knew?
 she wanted to be an
 author when she was
 in primary school?
 What are the clues?

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Was the path to her
being a successful
author a smooth one?
Did she have
resilience?



What are your goals or hopes for next year?

Do you have any fears or worries about these goals?



Everybody has worries about the future.

- It can help to write down these worries.
- If you can, get a piece of plain A4 paper (it could be a scrap piece as long as 1 side is plain!).
- Draw a big spiral on the page, like this.
- Write any worries you have along between the lines of your spiral.
- Cut out your spiral by following the line that you drew. It will make a hanging, springy spiral.
- If you would like, share your worries with someone. They may be able to help, or it just may help you to share your thoughts with someone else.

