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## **Freddy Eastwood**

Freddy Eastwood is a Welsh footballer who currently plays for Southend United Football Club.

He has played for various clubs including West Ham Utd, Coventry City and Wolvehampton Wanderers. He is also eligible to play for Wales because he has a welsh grandfather, and has gained over ten caps playing for the Welsh National Team.



Freddy was born into a Romany Gypsy family and grew up in Basildon in

Essex. He was often seen exercising his horse in Basildon on the morning of a match day when he played for Southend United.

In 2006 Freddy appealed to the British Government to keep his home on a Traveller's site in Basildon after the council refused him planning permission. He won his appeal and is free to stay there for at least the next five years.

Freddy is married and has two children.



## J.K Rowling

J.K Rowling is a British novelist, best known as the author of the Harry Potter series.

J.K Rowling was born in Gloucestershire, England in 1965. Her mother was half-French and half-Scottish. After gaining A levels in French, German and French, she studied Classics and French at the University of Exeter.

While writing the first Harry Potter book, J.K Rowling described herself as living in poverty. She was divorced from her first husband and was a single parent to her daughter. She was diagnosed with clinical depression.



The first Harry Potter book was published after 12 publishing houses refused to print the novel. Since then, the Harry Potter books have gained worldwide attention, won multiple awards and sold more than 400 million copies worldwide. They have become the best selling book series in history.

J.K Rowling has won many awards and has worked with many charities to campaign against poverty in the UK.



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## Mo Farah

Mo Farah is a Somali-born British track and field athlete. He is the current 10,000 metres Olympic champion and the 5,000 metres Olympic, World and European champion. He won two Gold medals at the 2012 London Olympics.

Mo was born in Mogadishu, Somalia in 1983. He moved to Britain at the age of 8, barely speaking a word of English.

He struggled at school because of the language barrier but excelled at playing football; his ambition was to play for his

favourite team, Arsenal Football Club. It was at school where his teachers noticed his talent for running.

Soon after leaving school, he became a professional athlete and has since won many medals competing in European and British competitions

Mo is famous for his unique victory celebration dance called the 'Mobot.'

Mo has a wife, a step-daughter and twin daughters. He is a devout Muslim.

## Rita Ora

Rita is a British singer-songwriter and actress. Her debut album was released in 2012, which went straight to number one in the charts. She has had three number one singles.

Rita was born in Pristina, Kosovo in 1990 to Kosovar-Albanian parents. At the same, Pristina was a dangerous place to live because of the war going on in the country, so Rita and her family moved to England in the same year. This means that Rita and her family are refugees.

She grew up in West London and began singing from an early age.

She is now signed to Jay Z's record label Roc Nation and has worked with artists such as Tinie Tempah, Drake, Kanye West and Will.I.Am.



