

December



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The world's oldest Yorkshire Terrier lived to the grand old age of 26 years old. His name was *Jack* and he lived in Great Britain. When he died in 2015, *Jack* had already lived a whole decade longer than the average Yorkie. In human years, he would have been 117!

Cut and Paste Activity

December 2019 **Calendar Activity**

Find the December birthdays, cut out the picture that goes with each person, and paste it on their special day on the calendar:

5 Most well-known for his creation of Mickey Mouse and all things Disney, Walt Disney would have been celebrating his 118th birthday this year on December 5. He was an early leader and innovator in animation and cartoons. The 1967 movie, The Jungle Book, was the last animated feature produced under the direct supervision of Walt Disney. He died in December 1966.

8 We celebrate Little Dog's birthday on December 8. In human years, Little Dog is 18, but in dog years he is an amazing 88 years old! Although small, Little Dog is sassy and rules over his food bowl with fierce tenacity and 12 remaining teeth. Perennially "Best Dressed" at MaryRuth Books (due to a vast wardrobe of sweaters), this little 5 pound Yorkie is watched over by everyone, including Danny and Norman, and kept safe from threats ranging from flying predators outside to an unpredictable flight of stairs in the office.

10 This December 10th Cornelia Funke, a talented German author of fantasy fiction for children, will celebrate her 61st birthday. Funke is best known for her Inkheart trilogy, a series of three fantasy novels about teenager Meggie Folchart who is able to bring characters from books into the real world by reading aloud. Funke is also the author of the Dragon Rider series and The Thief Lord. Her books have been translated into more than thirty languages.

15 Alexandre Gustave Eiffel was a French civil engineer born on December 15, 1832. Before he was part of the team that designed the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France, Eiffel contributed to the design of The Statue of Liberty: a gift of friendship from France to the United States of America in 1885.

30 Rudyard Kipling was born on December 30, 1865 in Bombay, India. He was the first English language writer to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature. He was offered knighthood several times, but Kipling turned it down! His most famous book is a collection of stories called The Jungle Book, written in 1894. The book was adapted by Walt Disney studios and made into an animated musical comedy in 1967.

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