

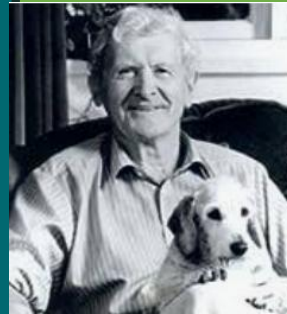
The Hodgeheg by Dick King Smith

Author-Dick King-Smith was a soldier, a farmer, a family man, a primary school teacher and most memorably to his millions of fans, a best-selling children's author.

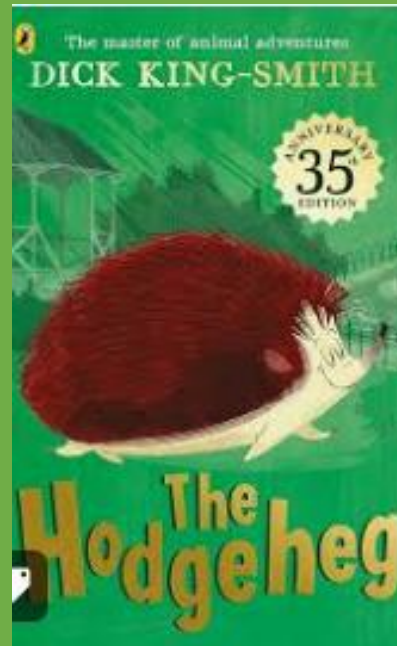
Dick and his family went to Tenby in West Wales for their summer holidays — the same town in which fellow children's author, Roald Dahl, spent his childhood. Dick King-Smith spent his childhood in Easters.

Many of Dick King-Smith's books have been adapted into films and TV, and he even starred in several children's TV shows.

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Max is a hedgehog who lives with his family in a nice little home, but it's on the wrong side of the road from the Park where there's a beautiful lily pond and plenty of juicy slugs, worms and snails! The busy road is dangerous but Max is determined to make his way across. If humans can do it, why can't hedgehogs? His first attempt ends in a nasty bump on the head and, when Max tries to speak, he realises his words are all mixed up. He is no longer a hedgehog but a hodge-heg! Still determined to fulfil his mission, Max discovers the best way to cross the road — with the help of the lollipop lady and some careful detective work . .



Key vocabulary:

- Scrambled** - To move or climb quickly
- Hibernation**- the resting state of animals
- Nuzzle** - to gently push the nose against
- Misjudge**- To judge incorrectly
- Trotted** To move faster than walking
- Tensely** - Not able to relax and nervous

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