***Inspiring Real-Life Resilience***

Name: J.K. Rowling

Real name: Joanne

Date of Birth: 31st July 1965; Place of birth: United Kingdom

Interesting facts:

* At age 6, she wrote her first book – a story about a rabbit called “Rabbit”.
* At age 11, she wrote her first novel – about seven cursed diamonds and the people who owned them
* The “K” in her name stand for “Kathleen”, after one of her grandmothers.
* Joanne got the idea for the *Harry Potter* series while sitting on a train that was delayed travelling from Manchester to London’s King’s Cross station.
* Over the next five years, she planned out all seven books, mostly planned on scraps of paper!
* *Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone*, the first book in the series, was rejected 12 times! She didn’t stop trying, though, and eventually the book was published in 1997.

***Activity:***

In your Free Writing copy, write the title “Inspiring Real-Life Resilience”. Complete the following in your copy:

* Name: J.K. Rowling
* Date and place of birth
* Interesting facts: (at least two!)
* An obstacle she overcame:
* How you do think she showed resilience in this?
* Why I think she might inspire some people: