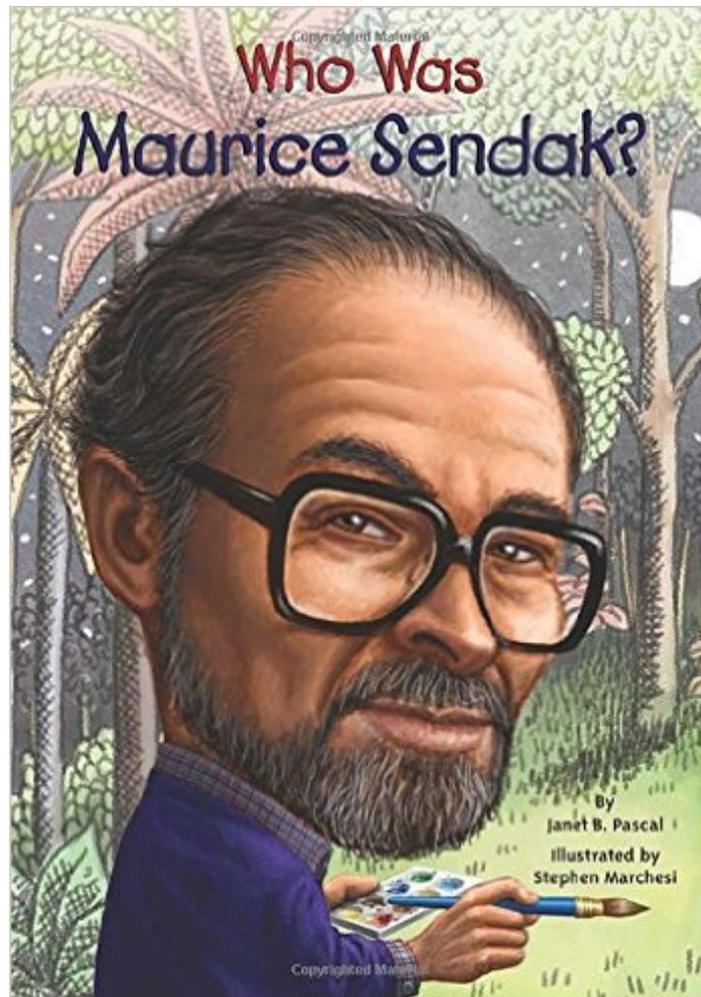


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# Who Was Maurice Sendak?



## Synopsis

It seems entirely fitting that Maurice Sendak was born on the same day that Mickey Mouse first made his cartoon debut--June 10, 1928. Sendak was crazy about cartoons and comic books, and at twelve, after seeing Disney's Fantasia, he decided that he was going to become an illustrator. His love of children's books began early: often sick and confined to bed, little Maurice read and read and read. Though many of his own stories were light and funny, the most important ones--Where the Wild Things Are, In the Night Kitchen, Outside Over There--dealt with anger, jealousy, abandonment, content that had never before been the subject of picture books. As well as covering career highlights, this easy to read, illustrated biography also describes the personal life of this genius. Who Was Maurice Sendak is perfect for kids wild about one of the most influential children's book artists of the twentieth century!

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I didn't know who Maurice Sendak was till I read the book! Now I know more about him than myself!! If your looking for a good biography I would read this one!

I purchased this book for a religious school library for 3rd and 4th graders to use for biography reports. A boy returned it to me complaining because the book talked about being Mr Sendak being

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I use this series of Biographies with my 2nd Grade class and they are fabulous. They are easy to read and filled with important information that help my students complete a comprehensive Biography Project. As new Biographies are released, I purchase them and add to them to my ever-growing collection.

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