



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
*The first electronic spell checker, Spelling Ace SA-88, was launched in 1986 by Franklin Computer.*

# NOVEMBER

## NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH



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### ... **THE BOOK THIEF IN CINEMAS, 2013**

The movie is based on a novel by Markus Zusak. It received Oscar and Golden Globe nominations.

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### ... **ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON IS BORN, 1850**

A Scottish novelist and travel writer. The author of *Treasure Island*.

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### ... **TREASURE ISLAND IS PUBLISHED, 1883**

This highly popular adventure novel significantly influenced the way pirates are portrayed in popular culture.

### ... **ASTRID LINDGREN'S BIRTHDAY, 1907**

A Swedish writer best known for *Pippi Longstocking*.

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### ... **THE FINAL VOTING IN GOODREADS CHOICE AWARDS**

It's the only major book award decided by readers. The final round of voting usually takes place in the second half of the month.

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### ... **THE FIRST KINDLE IS LAUNCHED, 2007**

Kindle 1 had an asymmetric shape, full-size keyboard, and 6-inch E-Ink display. It was sold out in 5.5 hours.

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### ... **C.S. LEWIS IS BORN, 1898**

The author of *The Chronicles of Narnia* and Tolkien's close friend.

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### ... **MARK TWAIN'S BIRTHDAY, 1835**

The real name of the author of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* is Samuel Langhorne Clemens.

#### READING CHALLENGE

**Week 1:** A book about a treasure

**Week 2:** A Goodreads Choice Awards nominee

**Week 3:** A book you know nothing about

**Week 4:** A book from an author publishing under a pseudonym

**THERE IS MORE TREASURE IN BOOKS THAN IN ALL THE PIRATE'S LOOT ON TREASURE ISLAND.**

— WALT DISNEY