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From: Kwok, Crysta= <[REDACTED]> <mailto:[REDACTED]>  
Date: Wednesday, August 3, 2016  
Subject: Forbes released today the 2016 list of the World's Highest-Paid Authors  
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Hi,

Forbes released today the 2016 list of the World's Highest-Paid Authors. These 13 wordsmiths earned a combined \$269 million over the past 12 months. James Patterson topped our list for the third straight year, earning \$95 million, while children's author Jeff Kinney ("Diary of a Wimpy Kid") placed a distant second, earning \$19.5 million. The only newcomer is Paula Hawkins ("The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo" and "Gone Girl") with \$10 million earnings.

The 2016 World's Highest-Paid Authors are:<=p>

1. James Patterson \$95 mil
2. Jeff Kinney \$19.5 mil
3. J.K. Rowling \$19 mil
4. John Grisham \$18 mil
5. Stephen King \$15 mil
5. Danielle Steel \$15 mil
5. Nora Roberts \$15 mil
8. E.L. James \$14 mil
9. Veronica Roth \$10 mil

</=pan>9. John Green \$10 mil

9. Paula Hawkins \$10 mil

12. George R.R. Martin \$9.5 mil<=pan style="color:#333333">

12. Dan Brown \$9.5 mil

12. Rick Riordan \$9.5 mil=/span>

For more information, please visit <http://www.forbes.com/sites/natalierobehmed/2016/08/03/the-worlds-highest-paid-authors-2016-james-patterson-jeff-kinney-and-j-k-rowling-top-ranking/#1=a40cf52186>

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Best,

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