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**Gesendet:** Freitag, 16. Juni 2006 06:27  
**An:** michael\_winkler@gmx.net  
**Betreff:** Re: Did Napoleon stutter?

Hi Michael:

That information didn't come from me. I am solely responsible for the PICTURE of famous people who stutter(ed) on the top of that page, not the list below it. And you will note that Napoleon is not in the picture. I have never heard anything about Napoleon stuttering, except on that page. I have only referred to famous people who stutter who are or were pretty clearly stutterers. Napoleon is most commonly said to have been challenged by dyslexia and attention deficit disorder, not stuttering.

It's quite possible that this reference comes from a misreading of a statement by Wendell Johnson in his book "Because I Stutter" (on the Web) that he rejected the "technique" of Napoleon, by which Johnson meant a policy to pillage his enemies (or people who would tease him), not a technique to alleviate stuttering per se.

Please clear this up with that Napoleon group, since it is clear that you have misattributed the entire list to me.

Thank you very much.

Please note that it is not unusual for people who stutter to be very forceful, nonetheless. Winston Churchill did very well as prime minister of Great Britain during WWII.

- Darrell Dodge

In a message dated 6/15/2006 6:13:53 PM Mountain Standard Time, michael\_winkler@gmx.net writes:

Dear Darell Dodge,

I am Michael Winkler from Dresden/Germany. I found on that webpage [www.mnsu.edu/comdis/kuster/famous/famouspws.html](http://www.mnsu.edu/comdis/kuster/famous/famouspws.html) that Napoleon the Emporer was supposed to stutter. Well, I sent an email to [www.napoleon.org](http://www.napoleon.org) (seems to be England-based) asking them about the stuttering of Napoleon which they denied.

I am quite interested in the life of Napoleon since it would be interesting to figure out how he could become to powerful and decisive for Europe even with his stuttering.

Can you tell me where you found this information about Napoleon's stuttering?

Thank you very much and all the best, Michael Winkler.