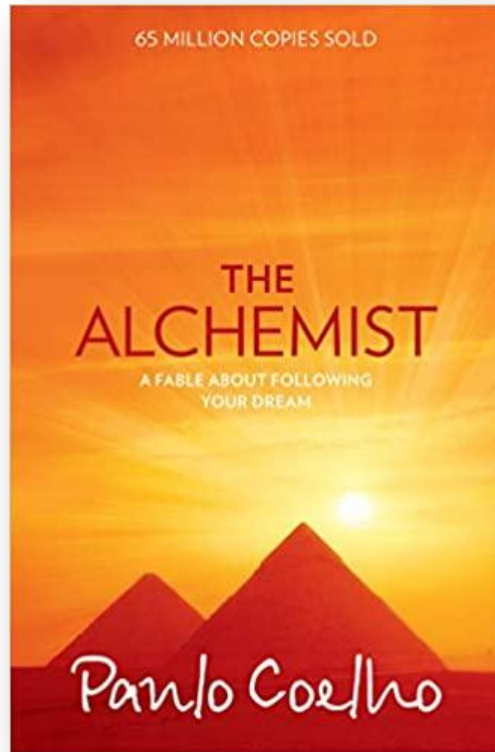








The Alchemist

Paulo Coelho (b 1947)



- This is magical fable about learning to listen to your heart, read the omens strewn along life's path and, above, all follow your dreams.
- This is the magical story of Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy who dreams of travelling the world in search of a worldly treasure as fabulous as any ever found. From his home in Spain he journeys to the markets of Tangiers, and from there into the Egyptian desert, where a fateful encounter with the alchemist awaits him.
- A blend of spirituality, magical realism and folklore, The Alchemist has sold over 30 million copies worldwide. It is a story with the power to inspire nations and change people's lives.

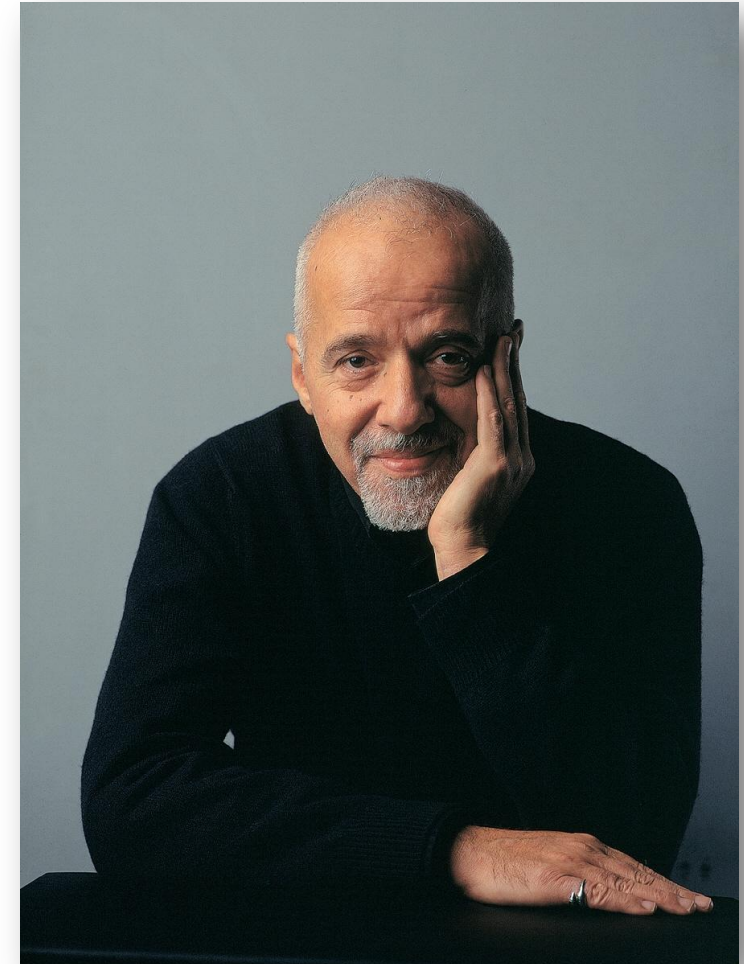
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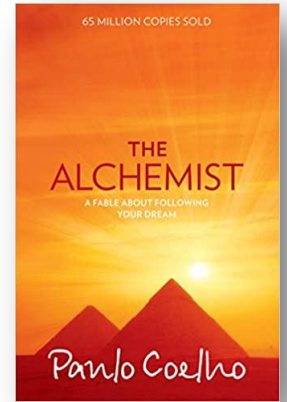
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- **Paulo Coelho de Souza** (born 24 August 1947) is a Brazilian lyricist and novelist, best known for his novel *The Alchemist*. As a teenager, Coelho wanted to become a writer. His parents did not approve of this. Coelho was born into a Catholic family, and his parents were strict about their religion and faith. At his parents' wishes, Coelho enrolled in law school and abandoned his dream of becoming a writer. One year later, he dropped out and travelled as a hippie, through South America, North Africa, Mexico, and Europe. Upon his return to Brazil, Coelho worked as a songwriter, then an actor, journalist and director before finally becoming a writer.
- **He said:** *"No matter how you feel today, get up, dress up and show up"*
- **Did you know?** Since the publication of *The Alchemist*, Coelho has generally written at least one novel every two years.



St Ives School Tutor Reading: Routine

Ready Respectful Safe



- Ready – arrive promptly and settle quickly at the start of the session
- Respectful – listen, in silence, to their tutor and visiting adults reading
- Safe – follow instructions from staff, first time every time, including tracking the text with their reading ruler, and sitting with good posture