

## APPENDIX I

### SYNOPSIS

In Andalusia, Southern Spain, lives a young shepherd who travels along the countryside namely Santiago. He leaves his family that wants him to be a priest to spend night under a sycamore in the abandon church. There, he has a recurrent dream. In his dream, there is a child is playing with his sheep and then takes him by hand to the Egyptian Pyramids to show him the location of a hidden treasure. Santiago remembers that in Tarifa, there is a dream interpreter who can help him to understand his dream. He decides to go there and finds that the Gypsy woman interpret the dream straightly. Yet, he has promised to give her tenth of his hidden treasure.

While reading a thick book as usual, Santiago is approached by an old man. He calls himself King of Salmon. The man offers a help, but again he asks tent-like a Gypsy woman of his flock. Santiago agrees after his long thinking to follow the man's suggestion. Before they separate, the king gives him two stones, Urim and Thummim. One means "yes" and other "no".

After arriving Africa, he meets a man whom he thinks can help him because he can speak Spanish. The man deceives him and steals his money. Desperately, he walks to find the man. Then, he says that he cannot do anything but try to find a job. He wants to collect some money to return home at Spain. He works for a man who sells crystal glasses for almost a year.

When his money is enough to take him home, his desire to fulfill his dream comes along. With the support of his employer, he decides to find the hidden

treasure. He thinks that find hidden treasure is his personal legend or his reason to live. Then, he joins a caravan that will take him to place near the pyramids. He meets an Englishman who teaches him about the alchemist that he wants to seek.

They arrive in Oasis, they cannot go further because of the tribal war Santiago meets Fatimah, and he falls in love with her at that moment. Fatimah promises that she will wait for him. The alchemist helps him and he will accompany him to a nearer place to the pyramid.

In their journey, Santiago learns a lot in his silence. They are caught by tribesman and they have to perform a miracle that they may set fire. They finally succeed to turn themselves into the wind. After being free, they continue their journey. The alchemist leaves Santiago, so Santiago may find his treasure by himself.

He starts to dig in the place where his tears fall. Suddenly, some thieves come and rob him. One of the men tells him about his dream. He has a recurrent dream which tells him to return Spain, in an abandoned church where there usually with his sheep and dig the hidden treasure there under the sycamore tree.

After they leave, Santiago smiles and goes back to Spain to find his hidden treasure. He intends to give tenth of the treasure to the Gypsy woman, finally, he decides to come to Oasis to meet Fatimah.

## APPENDIX II

### BIOGRAPHY OF PAULO COELHO



Paulo Coelho is unquestionably of the most successful authors of recent times, selling more than 100 million books in at least 150 countries internationally. Paulo Coelho has met with a lot of success; his books have been widely translated in a number of languages, earning him the prestigious Guinness World Record for most translated book by a living author and has received much honor. However, it should be noted that Coelho was not always necessarily celebrated for being the writer that he is today.

Paulo Coelho was born on August 24, 1947 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. As An adolescent, Coelho expressed a longing to become a writer. However, his mother was of the opinion that Coelho should do pursue something along the lines of his father, who was an engineer. This longing and unwavering determination ultimately led to his parents enrolling him in a mental institution. Coelho managed flee thrice and finally was released when he was 20. Paulo maintains that his parents acted out of goodwill.

Coelho's definitive spiritual turn, however, came when he made a pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago de Compostela, a catholic pilgrimage route in the north-western Spanish state of Galicia. This journey is documented in his book, *The Pilgrimage* released in 1988. His next book was *The Alchemist*, a book which he claims is a metaphorical adaptation of his own spiritual journey that he undertook on his pilgrimage. Clearly, the name of the protagonist in *The*

*Alchemist* is a nod to Coelho's experience on the Camino de Santiago. While sales of *The Alchemist* were slow at first, it went on to become the highest-selling Brazilian book of all time and one of the most widely read books in the world. Later, *The Alchemist* was made available which turned out to be becoming one of the best-selling books in history, selling over 65 million copies.

Since publishing *The Alchemist*, Coelho has gone on to publish other titles including *Brida* in 1990, *The Valkyries* in 1992, *By the river Piedra I sat Down and Wept* in 1994, *The Fifth Mountain* in 1996), *Manual of a Warrior of Light* in 1997, *Veronika decides to die* in 1998, *The Devil and Miss Prym* in 2000, *Eleven Minutes* in 2003, *The Zahir* 2005, *The Witch of Portobello* in 2006 and, most recently, *The Winner Stands Alone* in 2008. In addition to his books, Coelho also has a weekly column which is published in several Brazilian newspapers and is syndicated internationally.

Coelho is not only an internationally acclaimed author, but is also an outspoken activist for peace and social justice. He is a Messenger of Peace for the UN, an Ambassador to the European Union for Intercultural Dialogue, a Member of the Board of the Shimon Peres Institute for Peace, a UNESCO Special Counselor for "Intercultural Dialogues and Spiritual Convergences," and a Board Member of the Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship. He is also a member of the Brazilian Academy of Letters, the highest honor for a Brazilian author, and is one of the best-known authors to actively support the free distribution of his work.

He has been married Christina Oiticica since 1980. Paulo is habitual contributor to society. He is a Messenger of Peace for the UN and Coelho

established the "Paulo Coelho Institute" which offers aid to those who face financial issues.