

**Book Review**

**“The Alchemist”**

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• **Introduction**

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• **Summary**

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The meaning of alchemist is a person who transforms things to better. This story starts with a shepherd named Santiago. He arrived to a church with his herd and decided to sleep in a church with his book to his head as a pillow, and then he had a dream of undiscovered treasure present of top of pyramid in Egypt. And suddenly he woke up with incomplete dream. He was really curious to get his dream, and ready to do anything to achieve his dream. Then once he met with a daughter of merchant who is really beautiful. They both discussed about the dream and decided to get it at any cost. Both of them fall in love. She was a strong support and inspiration to Santiago. Days passes and one day boy met up with a old lady who translates and guides for dreams, Santiago rushes to her and by the cost of tenth part of treasure he will received Santiago gets some tips from her and starts his journey towards Egypt. Meanwhile boy loses all his ships in travelling. But besides all the loss he continued his discovery of treasure. This boy has a strong mindset that he decided to work on a tea stall and by using his creative ideas he flourish the lost business of tea on the terrain of Egypt. By taking some good amount of money from the tea seller he again started his journey. At the base of pyramid some pirates arrested

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Santiago and asked the purpose of coming, Santiago replied them the truth of dream. The captain of pirate came to him and said few years ago he also had a dream about a untold hidden treasure located just beneath a broken church , the same church Santiago used to spent all night. Finally Santiago realize the actual location of buried treasure and dig out all the money and gold from church. And finally he lived happily with daughter of merchant.

- **Conclusion**

On the persuade of happiness man travels a lot, manages all the troubles to get untold buried happiness, but in reality the happiness lies beneath every person. You need not to travel miles to achieve factionary happiness, try to find the happiness within.

This story has a very positive approach of Santiago towards life.

Santiago never let the dream to go as it is, he tries his level best.

Many circumstances come in his life that he might be decided to leave the things but he never gives up.