

**YOUNG  
MASTER**



**ONLINE ROUND**

**ENGLISH CHALLENGE**

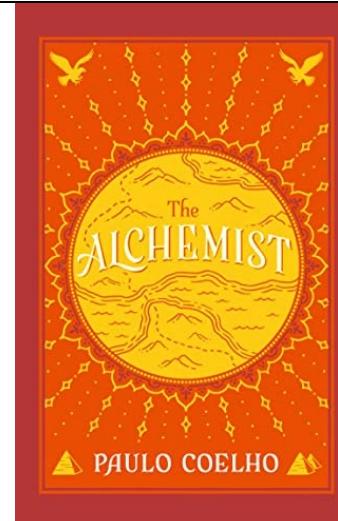
**AGE CATEGORY: HONEYBEE (14-15 YEARS OLD)**

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**BOOK:**

**"The Alchemist" by Paulo Coelho**

**Theme:** The Power of the Universe, Dreams, Love and Faith



**FILM:**

**1) McFarland USA**

**Theme:** Empathy, respect, hard-work, perseverance, and teamwork

**2) Queen of Katwe**

**Theme:** empathy, humility, integrity, perseverance, and teamwork.



**Questions 1-10 are based on the book ‘ The Alchemist’**

- 1) What is the main theme of The Alchemist?
  - a) The pursuit of wealth and power
  - b) The search for true love
  - c) The journey of self-discovery
  - d) The struggle for survival
  
- 2) Which of the following succeeded in turning everything into gold?
  - a) Melchizedek
  - b) The Englishman
  - c) Elias
  - d) Fatima
  
- 3) What does “Maktub” mean, according to the Arab merchant?
  - a) It is spoken
  - b) It is thought
  - c) It is mentioned
  - d) It is written
  
- 4) What is the missing word in the paragraph below?

*‘When a person really desires something, all the universe  
..... to help that person to realise his dream.’*

- a) unites
- b) unties
- c) conspires
- d) consists

5) What is the 'Emerald Tablet'?

- a) a book called The Alchemist
- b) a jewel upon which the most important text of alchemy is inscribed
- c) a snake that is hiding in a hole in the desert
- d) a treasure chest in Santiago's hometown in Spain

6) What news does the caravan leader learn that causes the members to become more cautious while travelling, especially at night?

- a) The desert snakes are attacking the oasis.
- b) The desert tribes are at war.
- c) The merchants are leaving the oasis.
- d) The Alchemist has found the treasure.

7) When the boy is asked who it was that taught him the language of the wind and the desert, what does the boy say?

- a) He says that his heart has taught him.
- b) He says that his father has taught him.
- c) He says that the desert has taught him.
- d) He says that the wind has taught him.

8) Why did the Alchemist hand Santiago's golden coins to the tribesmen at the military camp?

- a) to demonstrate to them the power of alchemy
- b) to save the tribesmen's lives
- c) to save Santiago's life
- d) to turn himself into the wind

9) What does Melchizedek ask for in return to help Santiago?

- a) All the sheep in his flock
- b) Telling him about his dream
- c) One tenth of his flock of sheep
- d) One tenth of his treasure

10) What is the alchemist Melchizedek's definition of a "personal legend"?

- a) the path that each person must follow to fulfill their destiny and reach their true potential
- b) a path that each person must leave so that they can carve out their own destiny
- c) a heroic ballad that each person writes in his lifetime
- d) a fictional story that each person tells to his grandchildren

**Questions 11-17 are based on the movie " McFarland USA".**

11) How many children did Mr and Ms White have?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four

12) What was the main reason for Coach Jim White, and his family moving to McFarland?

- a) He could not afford a life in a big city.
- b) His daughter was accepted to McFarland High School.
- c) He misbehaved with one of the team members.
- d) His wife got a job offer in McFarland.

13) After Mr White was employed as an assistant coach, Coach Jenks told Principal Camillo that Mr White and he had an altercation at the game.

Which word can be used instead of altercation?

- a) Collaboration
- b) Player change?
- c) Delay
- d) Disagreement

14) Which one below is a true statement during the time the coach was building the team?

- a) The coach convinced each team member to be in the team.
- b) The presence of Danny Diaz in the team is important/critical.
- c) The head of the school supports and funds the team costs.
- d) Thomas and Diaz are siblings.

15) After the first competition, the team ranked in 4th place.

How did the coach react to this situation?

- a) He was satisfied with the result.
- b) He found himself too soft on the team.
- c) He was appreciating the result.
- d) He thought the game was unfair.

16) Which statement is incorrect about Thomas Valles?

- a) He has family problems.
- b) He is the best player in the team.
- c) His father does not have a regular job.
- d) He is interested in poetry.

17) When the coach noticed that his daughter did not pick up the rose, her mother said to the coach:

“Nobody can hold a **grudge** like a teenage girl.”

What does this statement tell us about her daughter?

- a) She did not realize that there is a rose on the door.
- b) She asked for more roses.
- c) She was waiting for another gift.
- d) She still keeps the feeling of anger towards him.

**Questions 18-24 are based on the movie “Queen of Katwe”**

18) What did coach Robert do to earn money for the kids to participate in the school chess tournament?

- a) worked as an engineer
- b) played soccer
- c) taught chess
- d) sold maize

19) Why was Phiona not happy after winning her first medal and why did she think the boy let her win intentionally?

- a) She did not believe she could win against a boy that goes to a private school
- b) She thought she did a wrong move, and no one noticed
- c) She thought that coach Robert had talked to the boy before the game
- d) She remembered her mother saying that she could not win against anyone

20) What is the meaning of the word "prodigy" as used in the context of the film "Queen of Katwe"?

- a) a gifted musician
- b) a talented athlete
- c) a highly intelligent child
- d) a famous artist



21) When coach Robert was explaining to Phiona and Brain's mother that chess was not gambling, he said that chess was important since it taught a person very crucial traits.

According to coach Robert, what does chess teach a person?

- a) Courage and integrity
- b) Respect and courtesy
- c) Mental strength and discipline
- d) Gratitude and fairness

22) Why was coach Robert nervous when they were travelling to Russia for the Chess Olympiad?

- a) He thought Phiona was not good enough.
- b) He thought Phiona was overconfident.
- c) He thought the other players were much better.
- d) He thought if Phiona did not win, it would lead to big problems.

23) Why was Robert Katende motivated to start a chess program in the slums of Katwe?

- a) To give children a chance to succeed
- b) To improve his chess skills
- c) To make a name for himself
- d) To earn money

24) When Phiona said she does not know anything about being a Grandmaster, coach Robert said:

“Sometimes the place you are \_\_\_\_\_ is not the place you \_\_\_\_\_.”

Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate words.

- a) born, have to be
- b) used to, belong
- c) now, belong
- d) used to, have to be

**Question 25 is based on the discussion topic ‘environment’**

25) Which one below is not what individuals could do in daily life to tackle global warming?

- a) Reducing waste, and recycling
- b) Reducing carbon footprint by consuming less energy
- c) Promoting awareness about the environmental issues
- d) Increasing tax on fossil fuels