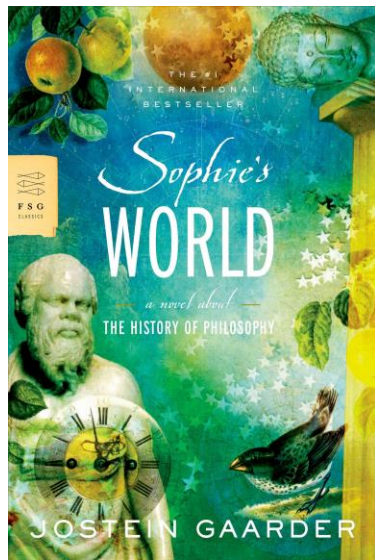


## Synopsis

As Sophie Amundsen is about to have her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday at Norway she received a lot of letters from an unknown. As Sophie receives more and more letters, she begins to question herself: who is she? Where does the world come from? Will Sophie find out the answers to all these questions? Can she find out who sent her the mails? How could the sender know her name is Sophie Amundsen? The mails are sending way more than a few questions...But what is it trying to tell us.



## Setting

This book took place in the 1990's, Norway. For the first 15 years of Sophie's life, she was living in a simple neighborhood but near her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday she discovered a mail in the mailbox, after, she changes perspective on everything around her. Sophie has always said, she lived farther from the school than Joanna. She also said, there are no houses beyond her garden.

## About Jostein Gaarder

Gaarder was born on August 8, 1952, in Oslo, Norway. He is a Norwegian schoolteacher. He likes to write books about philosophy and religion and has a lot of young readers. He published *Sophie's World* in 1991 and became the best seller.



## About the Characters:

**Sophie Amundsen: (Protagonist)** Sophie is 15 years old. Sophie is a teenager with a lot of curiosity. In the book Sophie led the readers into an enormous world of questions and answers. Sophie wants the readers to know about the world and her imaginations.

**Alberto Knox:** Alberto teaches philosophy to Sophie. He is a good philosophy teacher, he is able to teach Sophie philosophy in a way that no one else can.

**Hilde Møller Knag:** She is the daughter of Albert Knag. She agreed with Sophie and Alberto at climax of the book, this helped Sophie and Alberto solve the problem.

**Albert Knag: (Antagonist)** Albert started introducing himself to the readers after Alberto introduced him to Sophie, and explained to Sophie what he has done to everyone that is in the book.

## Big Events in Sophie's World

As Sophie was getting the mails, she found a mail that was for her. She opened the mail. The mail asked a few questions, there was no exact answer to the question that the unknown sender sent.

The letters were to a girl named Hilde. Sophie does not know anyone named Hilde, who is she? The address was to Sophie's house, but why did it say someone else's name?

When Sophie finally met the unknown sender, she discovered something that she never imagines will happen. This made her question, are we all just imagination, in a blink of an eye we can just disappear?

When Sophie and Alberto hosted Sophie's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday, they announced something to the crowd, then they disappeared? Where did they go, they appeared into another universe? Will the people there be able to see them, hear them?

## Gaarder's Writing Style

As many of the books that most readers read are for their enjoyment, many does not teach us anything. This book is different. This book is able to tell you history, philosophy in a way that textbooks can't tell us. The book put philosophy into a world, and it put us into the world. When reading this book, I can imagine the history happening in front of my eyes, I can see my self in the history. After reading *Sophie's World* I felt that philosophy is not as plain, it has colors, has more to learn then words in a book.

# Sophie's World

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"Who are you?"



"Where does the world come from?"



"What if we are all just imaginations?"

