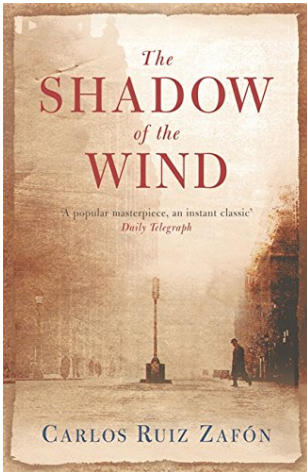




The Shadow of the Wind

By Carlos Ruiz Zafón



This spellbinding thriller follows the discovery of a forgotten book and the hunt for its elusive author. In the heart of Barcelona, the 'Cemetery of Lost Books' is a library of obscure books. 10-year-old Daniel pulls out 'The Shadow of the Wind', a novel which follows him throughout his life.

About the author

Carlos Ruiz Zafón was a Spanish novelist known for his beloved series set in the literary universe of The Cemetery of Forgotten Books. His work has been published in more than forty languages.

Discussion Questions

1) Did you enjoy Ruiz Zafón's writing style?

2) Did the concept of a story within a story make the novel more interesting to read?

3) This novel follows Daniel through childhood into adulthood. What impact did the passage of time have?

4) Did you find Clara to be a sympathetic character?

5) How would you describe the relationship between Julián and Daniel?

6) *'Books are mirrors: you only see in them what you already have inside you.'* (Julián Carax to Jorge Aldaya). Does this statement reflect your experience with this novel?

7) What does the 'Victor Hugo' pen symbolise?

