

Born in 1850 in Edinburgh, Scotland, Robert Louis Stevenson suffered from severe bronchitis* for most of his life. The Scottish writer was ranked* the 26th most-translated-author in the world, and his works have been adapted to film hundreds of times. This did not stop him from travelling the world while publishing his novels. He started writing at a young age but began his career by writing travel books around the same time he moved to California with his wife Frances in 1879. He became involved with politics in his late life, but unfortunately passed away* in 1894 in Samoa, where he was living at the time.