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Alex Bellos has a degree in mathematics and philosophy from Oxford University. He has worked for the *Guardian* in London and Rio de Janeiro. In 2002, he wrote the critically acclaimed original edition of *Futebol* and in 2006 ghostwrote Pelé's autobiography, which was a number one bestseller. He lives in London.

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