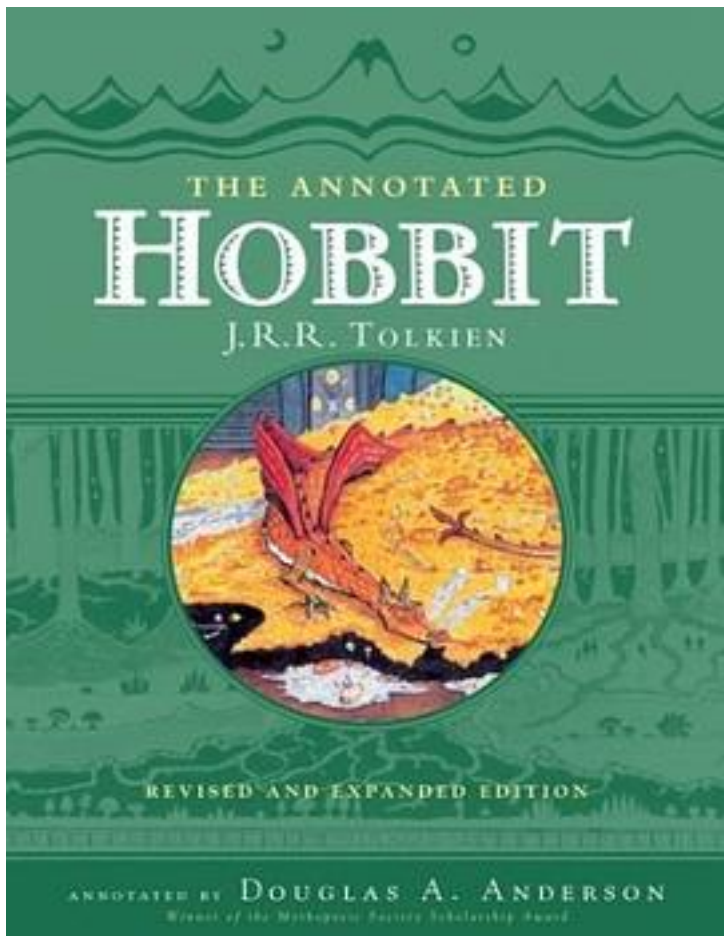# The Annotated Hobbit

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For readers throughout the world, The Hobbit serves as an introduction to the enchanting world of Middle-earth, home of elves, wizards, dwarves, goblins, dragons, orcs and a host of other creatures depicted in The Lord of the Rings and The

Silmarillion -- tales that sprang from the mind of the most beloved author of all time, J.R.R. Tolkien.

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