



What do you know about
Nicolaus Copernicus?



★ He was a Polish astronomer from the period of Renaissance.

★ He was born in a salesmen family, in this house, in Toruń.

★ He studied in Poland (Kraków) and Italy (Bologna, Padua and Ferrara).



**This is how the Polish painter,
Jan Matejko, depicted Copernicus in 1873.**



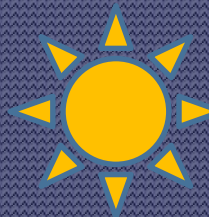


Copernicus wrote in Latin
as Latin was the language for writing scientific
works at his time.



In 1543, he published his
seminal study:
*De revolutionibus orbium
coelestium*
(*On the Revolutions of the
Heavenly Spheres*),
in which he presented the
heliocentric vision of the world.

A coin with the image of Copernicus



A Polish 1,000 zloty note which used to be in circulation

Copernicus himself wrote a treaty on coins in 1517.

The monument of Copernicus in Warsaw



Copernicus died on the 24th of May 1543 in Frombork. His grave is inside the city cathedral.

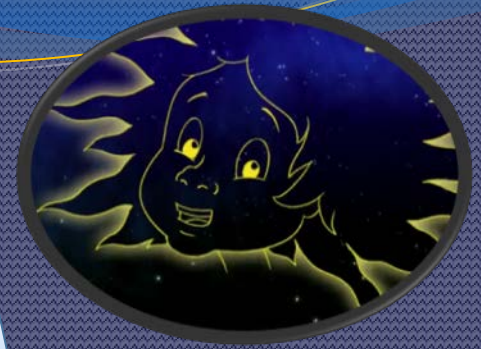
And another one in Olsztyn

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In 2009, Andrzej Orzechowski and Zdzisław Kudła, made an animation film retelling a life story of the young Copernicus.

The film depicts the young scientist's life that is full of passion for knowledge as well as determination and desire to change the world for the better.