The story of Santiago, a fisherman who faced hardships alone in his humble boat, against a huge marlin. The next morning, a crowd of amazed fishermen gathers around the skeletal carcass of the fish, which is still lashed to the boat. He arrives home before day– break, stumbles back to his shack, and sleeps very deeply. He realises that courage and determination are what distinguish him as a human being, even if he does not achieve material success. The story ends with Santiago dreaming of lions, which symbolise his lost youth and his everlasting spirit. This fisherman had been lived in a small village on the Cuban coast. Where the other hunters meet him with pity. However, he is proud of his struggle and the battle he fought.