

# OUR VISION ABOUT “THE TALE OF THE UNKNOWN ISLAND” BY SARAMAGO

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- SPANISH DELEGATION -

# The Man



- His persistent objective is to discover himself.
- He cannot sail but he'll find a way
- He has no crew but he'll manage somehow
- He is accompanied by the cleaning woman, who makes him discover love
- The man symbolises the human's quest for happiness and meaning

# The Cleaning Woman



-She wasn't happy with the life that she had, so she decided to leave everything and join the man in his adventure.

-She cleans and tidies everywhere, she does her job well. This symbolises the importance of all jobs well done

-From the highest person in rank to the humble cleaning woman, we all have dreams and should pursue them



## The king

-The king is a greedy and selfish man who doesn't actually rule but only wants to stay in power. He is more concerned about himself than about his people.

-He installs a Door for Petitions to pretend he serves the people but he is bothered by most of the petitions he is asked for, so he delays his answers and questions many of them

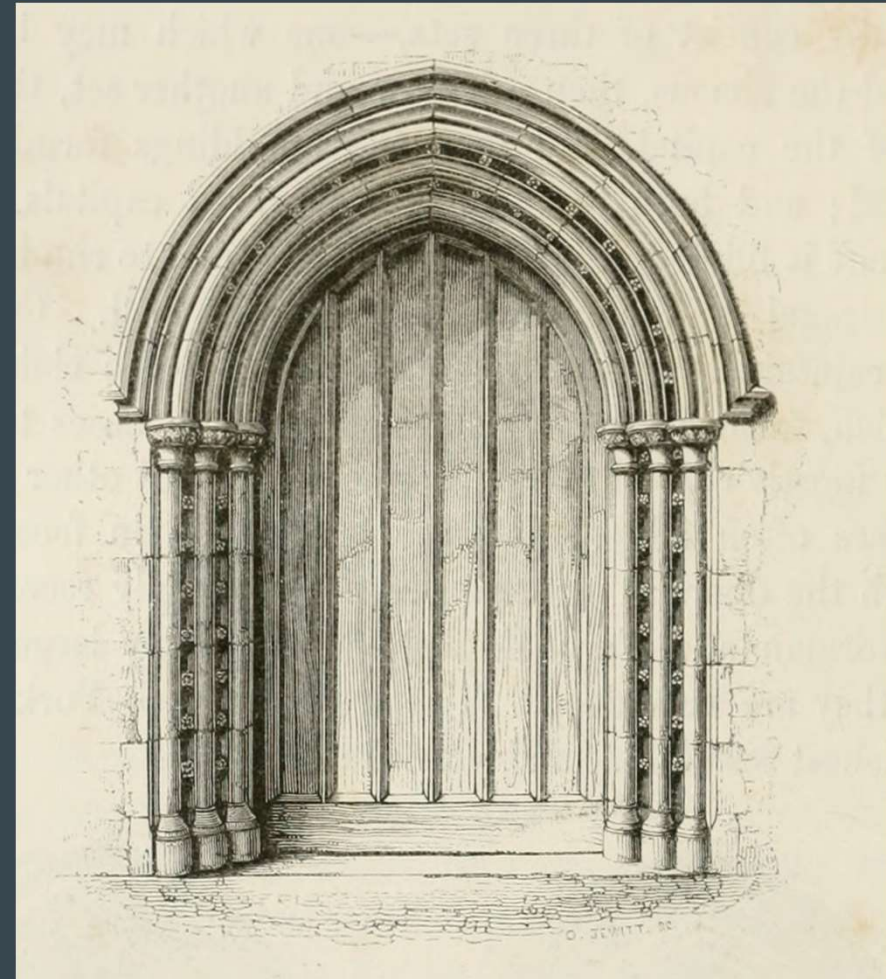
-The King symbolises Power, Inequality and Corruption

# Meaning of the doors

In the door for petitions people ask for things they need; the king grants them or not.

The man asks for a boat to go to the Unknown Island.

In the door for favors the king pretends to help people but in fact he only expects to be obeyed and supported; if you give him a present, you will prosper



# What would you ask if you were the man?

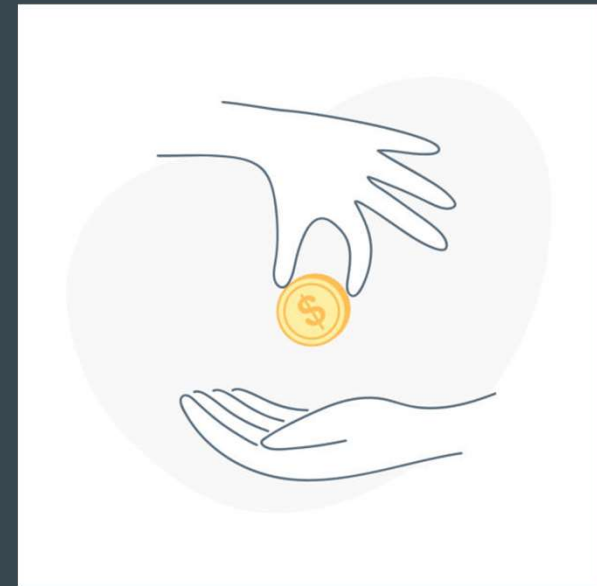
These are some of the things we would ask:

1. Health
2. Money
3. Our dream job
4. Peace
5. A better world
6. More opportunities



# What would you give if you were the king?

We would give the people what they asked for, but with a limit. That means that if they ask for too much we won't provide them with all the things they ask for. We would also be selective with the things we hand to people, because if we handed out everything they asked for they would lose the respect towards me.



# MEANING OF THE SHIP

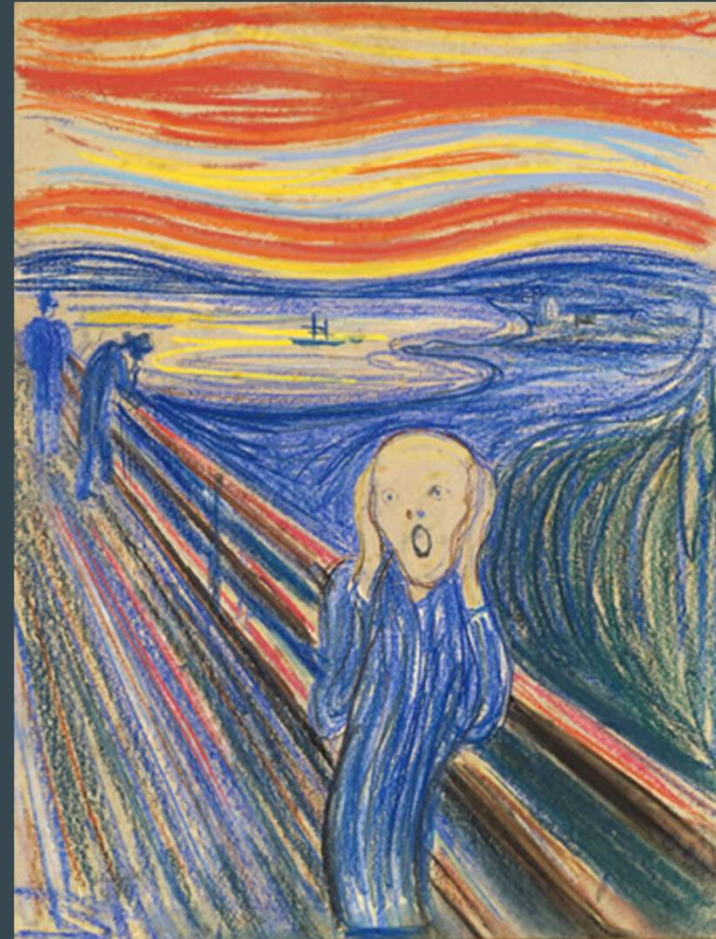


*The ship is our instrument of exploration in life. Life is an adventure and the ship symbolizes our quest to be happy, to face conflict and to grow as human beings.*

*Life is a mystery and the ocean in front of us is the immensity of our hopes, fears and expectations...frightening but promising*



# SELF-KNOWLEDGE





*The Island of the Dead, Arnold Böcklin*

**DO YOU  
KNOW  
WHO  
YOU ARE?**

**Will we be able to  
find the island?**