

Well it's a masterpiece by Ernest Hemingway which teaches a lot of values:

1. **A man can be destroyed but can't be defeated:** The old man's optimism in his worst days of life very well shows this..He continued his journey doesn't matter how excruciatingly his entire body pained!
2. **Perseverance:** Every single page of the fable aptly describes the man's perseverance..How quickly he shrugs off negative thoughts and stays focused towards his goal..