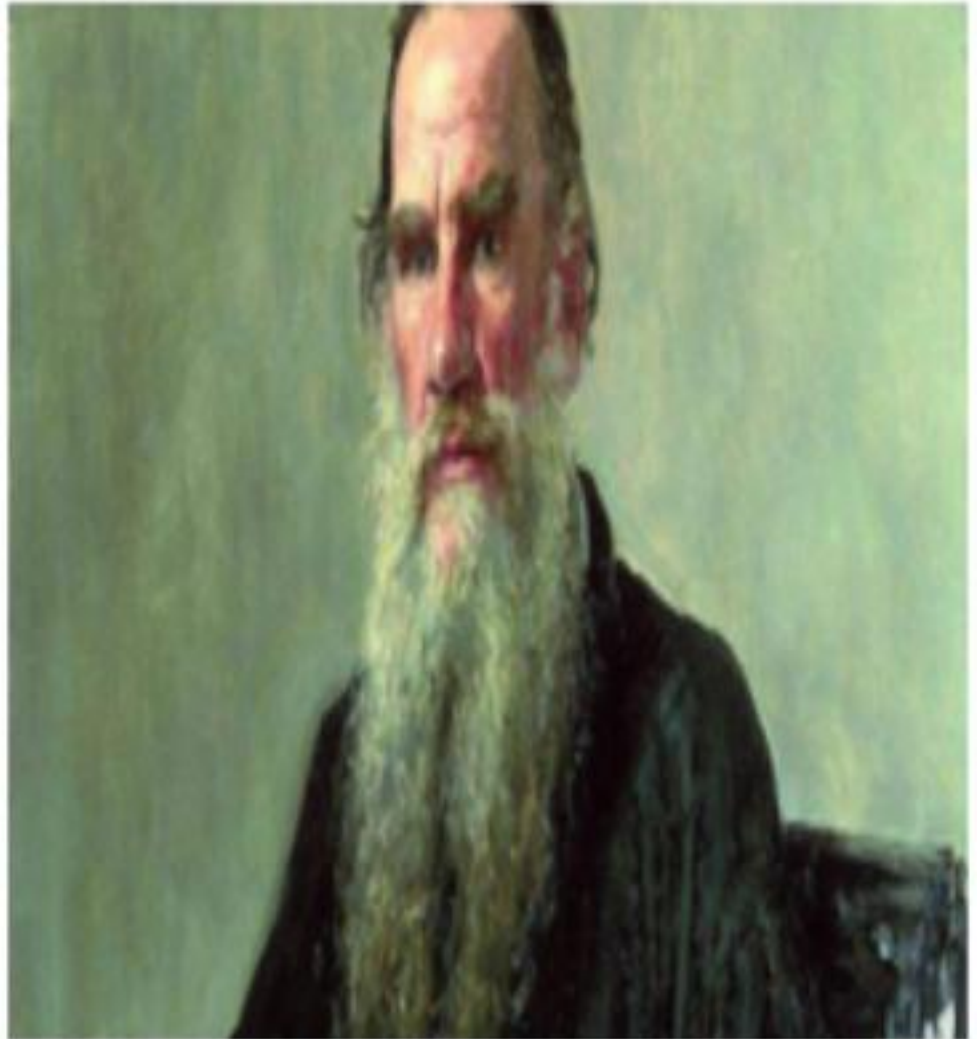


# THREE QUESTIONS

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## SUMMARY



# Long time ago, there lived a king who thought that he would never fail if he knew three things

- The three things were:
  1. What is the right time to begin something?
  2. Which people should he listen to?
  3. What is the most important thing for him to do ?



The king promised to reward a huge amount of money to anyone who would give correct answer to the three questions.

Messengers were sent to different parts of the kingdom but no one could give a satisfactory answer to any of the question.

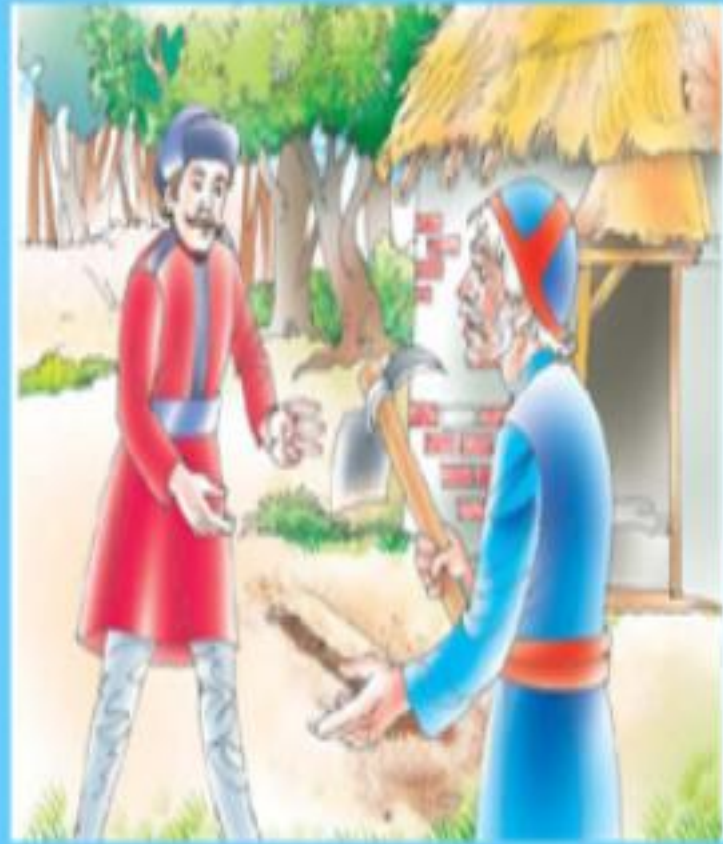
Hence, the king did not give any reward to anyone.



The king decided to go to a hermit who lived in a wood and lived a very simple life and met only ordinary persons.

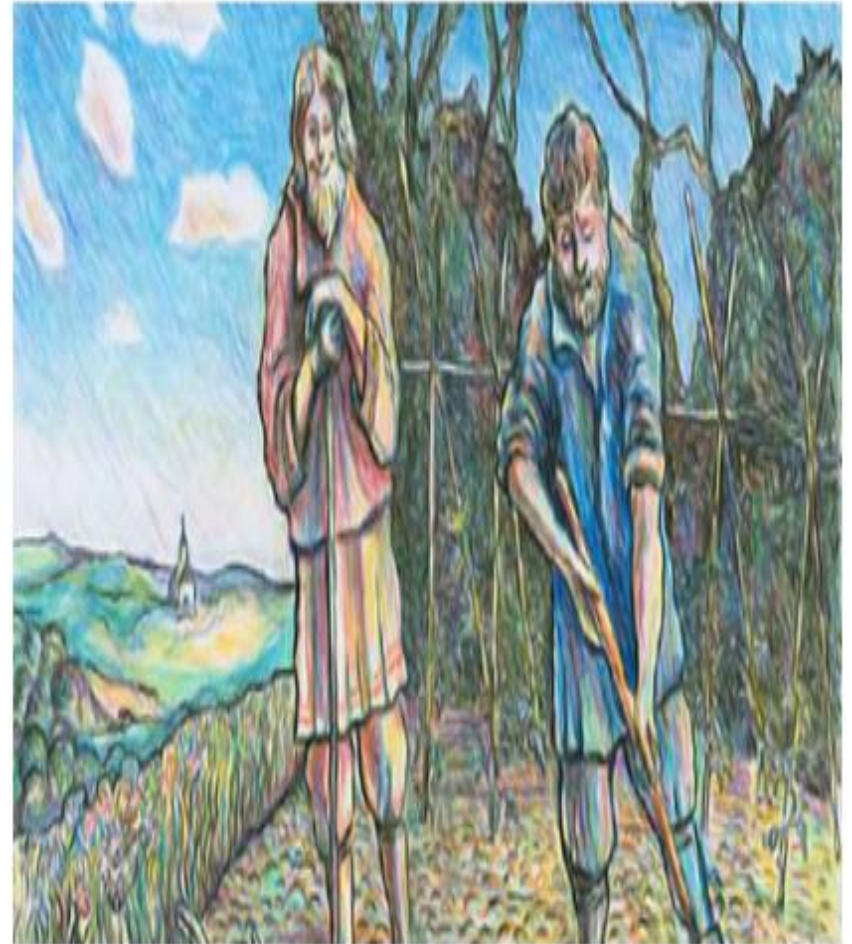
The king put on ordinary clothes and left his bodyguard and horse outside the forest before he went to the hermit's hut.

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When the king reached the hermit's hut, he was digging the ground. The king bowed to the hermit and asked him the three questions but the hermit did not give any answer.

The king offered his help to the hermit and started digging the ground but the hermit did not answer his questions



It was getting dark and the hermit and the king saw a wounded man running towards them.



The king dressed the wound of the man and took him inside the hut with the help of the hermit.

In the morning the wounded man asked for forgiveness from the king and revealed that he was the king's enemy who had come to kill the king.

He thanked the king for saving his life and promised to serve the king through generations. The king forgave him and made friendship with him.



At the end, the king got the answers to all his three questions by the hermit



The answer to the first question was that the most important time is 'NOW'.

The answer to the second question was that the most important person is the person you are with at a particular moment.

The answer to the third question was to do good to that person.