

- Vasilis & Zorba - not upper class unlike the stories before
- Hero not defined as bloodlines
- Zorba - miner
 - a big change from aristocratic to common man
- Zorba - Greek ← English title
 - calls it a biography in the original Greek title
 - Biography - birth to death → get this w/ Alexander, Digenes, Vasilis but we don't get this w/ Zorba
- Narrator - talking constantly about his friend who is a miner and later died
 - his friend 'Zorba' - helping greek refugees, who are being treated badly by turks
 - Narrator is not doing this
- Cret joined the Greek state 1910
 - Author also wrote the book Liberty or death
 - self-governing
 - protected by powers, making sure Turks didn't land an army there
- Narrator - making \$ out of a mine, and also to write a book about himself
 - academic person, his friend and meeting Zorba and caused him to go out and experience the world
 - he is a contrast in this book of a difference between intelligent greek vs. an non-educated greek (Zorba)
- Zorba - Stares at him through the glass ← abnormal behaviour
 - greek less rational, but Zorba is like an exaggeration
 - Old 65 yrs old and a working class
 - different from all the heroes we had
 - author left side of the political debate
 - drinks Rum while narrator drinks Sage (herbal tea)
- herbal tea - buddhism
 - want stimulate - so for alcohol ← Buddhism
 - drink it when sick or weak or woman
 - mainly man drinks alcohol
- Zorba - constantly calls the narrator 'boss', 'lordship', etc.
 - class ← narrator ← educated
 - Owner
 - Using more differential language, and to remind the narrator he is the boss
 - Some of the people in the village also differentiates from the narrator
- Guest & host relationship - Village expectation
 - come to the community they give you hospitality, guests are suppose to accept to be polite
 - ↳ causes awkwardness
 - neither Boss or Zorba is a member in the community
- Village and Boss's values
 - willow
 - being the strangers in the village
- 4 greek types
 - leader of the village
 - Boss
 - Zorba
 - the unnamed friend far away

} each had different values
- Vasilis - Conflicted w/ priest