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Sometimes someone would speak in a boat. But most of the boats were silent except for the dip of the oars. They spread apart after they were out of the mouth of the harbour and each one headed for the part of the ocean where he hoped to find fish. The old man knew he was going far out and he left the smell of the land behind and rowed out into the clean early morning smell of the ocean. He saw the phosphorescence of the Gulf weed in the water as he rowed over the part of the ocean that the fishermen called the great well because there was a sudden deep of seven hundred fathoms where all sorts of fish congregated because of the swirl the current made against the steep walls of the floor of the ocean. Here there were concentrations of shrimp and bait fish and sometimes schools of squid in the deepest holes and these rose close to the surface at night where all the wandering fish fed on them.

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	الألفاظ والعبارات :
The dip of the oars	ضرب الماء بالمجاديف
They spread apart	تفرقوا
The mouth of the harbour	مدخل الميناء
And each one headed for a part of the ocean	وتوجه كل منهم الى مكان من المحيط
Phosphorescence	وميض فوسفوري
Weed	طحلب بحري
Fathom	مقياس يساوي ٦ أقدام
All sorts of fish congregate	تجمعت كل أنواع السمك
Swirl	دوامة
Squid	الحيّار