

The Botanical Garden Statue.

One day they laid a statue near the pond bank, inside the Botanical Garden. Round sunset, they all went out and everything was quiet. Then, the water talked:

-Psst...! Here, down here, at your feet...!

Surprised, the sculpture turned its eyes with a creak and saw itself reflected on the water surface.

-It's me, the water! I can't place where I know you from... What are you doing here?, it asked. The statue cleared its throat and said:

-I don't know...I was a rock kept deep inside Mother Earth for milleniums and suddenly I was taken out of her and carried far away; they carved me into this weird form. Then, they brought me here, exposed to the light among trees and flowers.

-Then, we are brothers.-The water sighed.- I used to run free over our Mother Earth. And when I reached the sea I was so powerful!... But they caught and locked me in this boring pond.

Looking around, scared, the statue whispered:

-...Are they Gods?

-'No', answered the water, sadly- They are only men.

And the statue stood waiting for an eclipse, following the movement of the fish in the water with its thoughts ...