

(1) Some of his knights thought this was a sign of bad luck for the King. They said that he had better go back to the ship and sail away to his own land.

(2) "Set not foot on this land, for this is an evil sign for us," they said to him.

(3) But the King made a joke of it, and would not hear of going home. "This is no evil sign, but a good one for me," he said, "for it shows that the land wishes to have me."