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«Is he living or is he died?» was written by the writer Samuel Langhorne Clemens, known to the world as Mark Twain. The composition is quite peculiar and interesting. In this composition we read, that author tells us how he met with Mr. Smith, who told him own story. He told that, in the past, he was a poor artist, and traveling from place to place, and making sketches. And, he met with two other artists Claude and Carl. They also travel from place to place and making sketches and was poor as he. And he joined to them, and they begin traveling together. All them were poor, but were happy at the same. When no one wanted to buy, their sketches, they had to go hungry. And, once, they stopped at a village, in the North of France. And, when all things were difficult for them, one young artist who was poor as they, took they into his house and saved them from starvation. It was great Francois Millet. But, in those time he wasn't known, he was an ordinary artist as others. They began to live and work, together. One day, they already hadn't money for products, and no one wanted to give them products, without money. They began think, how they can sell their sketches, no one wanted to buy their sketches and who buy, they buy for slow price. But, sketches were very good and have no difference with sketches of well-known artists. These sketches were clearly more expensive. A new though occurred to them, that how they really can sell the pictures quite expensive and how they can being rich. One of them thought, that the most expensive pictures in the world are pictures of artists who died. After death, their pictures became most expensive. And, they decided, that one of them must die, too. Sure, they didn't mean about really death. They decided, that one of them, Francois Millet will change his name, and they played a scenery, that he die and will sell his pictures so expensive, and will reach.

I think, that this story very interesting and liked it, because the artists I mean were quite smartly and found the way of to be reach and achieve success.