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Ian Fleming (1908–1964), a British author renowned for creating James Bond, was an outstanding writer who not only incorporated action, danger and espionage into his novels but also showcased friendship, loyalty and courage. Out of the numerous unforgettable secondary characters in Dr. No, Quarrel, the local fisherman, is perhaps one of the most remarkable, since he proves to be Bond’s loyal friend and reliable guide.

Quarrel is not merely Bond’s assistant. From the beginning, he completely trusts Bond and readily offers his help every time the latter finds himself in perilous situations. The reason behind Quarrel’s unfaltering devotion to Bond is that James is never considered an officer or an employer, but a true friend and an individual treated with equality. The relationship between the two is based solely on trust and cooperation, not on authority.

One of the most touching scenes in the entire novel appears when Quarrel entrusts James Bond with the responsibility of caring for his family if ever anything were to happen to him. He chooses Bond for this task because he knows that Bond would never be negligent and that whatever he promised, he would never fail to accomplish. His decision indicates the immense trust that Bond and Quarrel had developed between themselves.

In addition to all the above, Quarrel also puts his life at risk for the sake of Bond. He is scared of the danger he faces but remains determined to finish the task ahead because of his belief that what he is doing is the right thing. His courage is therefore not the absence of fear, but the choice of placing friendship

and duty above his own fear and safety. He is aware of the risk, yet he does not want to face it alone.

The character of Quarrel enables Ian Fleming to illustrate the meaning of true friendship – that is, to stand by one's friend no matter what happens. The friendship between Bond and Quarrel is undoubtedly one of the finest examples in the novel. Quarrel can be regarded as one of the most impressive characters in the book, because he exemplifies that real courage is shown through action, not merely through words.