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The Crow And The Pitcher

Aesop

On a hot summer day, a thirsty crow flew across the sky looking for water.

"I really need a drink," he sighed. "But where can I find some?"

He searched and searched but couldn't find any water. Just when he was about to give up, he spotted a pitcher sitting near a garden.

"Maybe there's water in that pitcher!" the crow exclaimed.

He flew down and peeked inside. Sure enough, there was a little water at the bottom.



"Yes!" he cheered. But when he tried to reach the water with his beak, he couldn't. The pitcher was too tall, and the neck was too narrow.

"Oh no," the crow groaned. "How will I get the water now?"

He sat and thought for a moment. Then suddenly, an idea popped into his head.

"I know what to do!" he chirped. He looked around and saw some small pebbles on the ground.

"I'll drop these pebbles into the pitcher. Maybe then the water will rise!"



So the crow picked up one pebble with his beak and dropped it into the pitcher. Plop! Then another. Plop! And another. Plop!

With each pebble, the water rose a little higher.

"It's working!" the crow smiled.

He kept dropping pebbles into the pitcher until the water reached the top.

"Now I can have a drink!" he said happily.

The crow dipped his beak into the pitcher and drank the cool water.

"Ahh, that's so refreshing," he sighed with relief.

Feeling happy and satisfied, the clever crow flew away to enjoy the rest of his day.



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