

The Crow and the Pitcher

An Adaptation of Aesop's Fable

Crow was very thirsty. For days he could not find water to drink. Finally, he found a pitcher. It had just a little bit of water in it. But when Crow put his beak into the pitcher, he could not reach down far enough to get the water.

He tried to break the pitcher so the water would spill out, but the pitcher was too strong. He tried to tip over the pitcher, but it was too heavy.

Then a thought came to him. Crow took a pebble and dropped it into the pitcher. Then he took another pebble and dropped it into the pitcher. Then he took a third pebble and dropped it into the pitcher, and a fourth, and a fifth.

Crow continued dropping pebbles into the pitcher until, at last, he saw the water rise up to the top. After dropping in a few more pebbles, he was able to reach the water. He took a drink that saved his life.



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