

Literature for Problem-solving The Crow and the Pitcher Fable



A Crow, half-dead with thirst, came upon a Pitcher which had once been full of water; but when the Crow put its beak into the mouth of the Pitcher he found that only very little water was left in it, and that he could not reach far enough down to get at it. He tried, and he tried, but at last had to give up in **despair**. Then a thought came to him, and he took a pebble and dropped it into the Pitcher. Then he took another pebble and dropped it into the Pitcher. Then he took another pebble and dropped that into the Pitcher. Then he took another pebble and dropped that into the Pitcher. Then he took another pebble and dropped that into the Pitcher. At last, at last, he saw the water **mount** up near him, and after casting in a few more pebbles he was able to **quench** his thirst and save his life. —Aesop Fable

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Brainstorm Questions

Who? _____

When? _____

Where? _____

What? _____

Why? _____

Critical Thinking Questions:(suggest use of pair/share for verbal processing before writing)

Explain how the definition of Problem-solving - "Creating solutions; finding answers" applies to this story.

How do these quotes apply to the story?

"Done' comes with 'the doing!"

"Where there's a will, there's a way!"

(Printable posters)

Life Principle Words

(Look for two other life principles that apply to the story)

Enriched Vocabulary:

despair

quench

Example of Life Principle: (Picture or 2-3 sentences)

Lexicon

Word & Definition:

Step the Word:

Synonym:

Illustration: