

Life Principle: Effort

The Crow and the Pitcher

A Crow, half-dead with thirst, came upon a pitcher that had once been full of water. When the Crow put its beak into the mouth of the pitcher he found that only very little water was left in it, and he could not reach far enough down to get it. He tried, and he tried, but at last had to give up in [despair](#).

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.

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.

[The Crow and the Pitcher video](#) 1:34 min.

[Lesson Plan Grades 3-5 includes economics, geography, etc.](#) with [Student lesson](#)

[Effort Fable Choice Worksheet](#)

[Life Principle Choice Worksheet](#)

Brainstorm Questions

Who? _____

When? _____

Where? _____

What? _____

Why? _____

Critical Thinking Questions:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Moral of the Story:

Life Principle Words

Enriched Vocabulary:

despair

quench

Example of EFFORT

(Picture or 2-3 sentences)

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Lexicon

Word & Definition:

Step the Word:

Synonym:

Illustration: