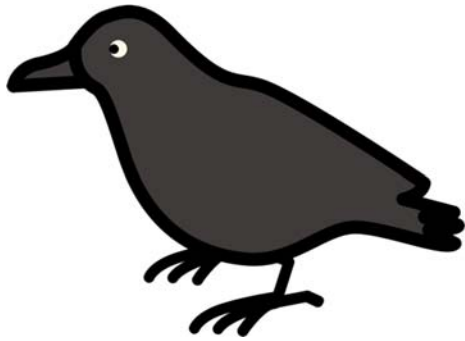


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The Crafty Crow and the Cracked Coconut

In the sunny village of Crescentville, there lived a crafty crow named Crowley. Crowley was known for his clever tricks and problem-solving skills. One hot afternoon, as he was flying over the village, he spotted something unusual in the middle of the village square—a large, cracked coconut.

Curious and thirsty, Crowley flew down to investigate. The coconut had a small crack, but it was too narrow for Crowley to drink the refreshing coconut water inside. He tried pecking at the crack, but it didn't widen. Determined to get to the coconut water, Crowley decided to use his wits to solve the problem.

Crowley flew around the village, looking for something that could help him. He noticed a group of children playing with small pebbles near the creek. An idea sparked in his crafty mind. He swooped down, picked up a few pebbles with his beak, and flew back to the coconut.

One by one, Crowley dropped the pebbles into the crack of the coconut. With each pebble, the level of coconut water inside the coconut rose. Crowley kept adding more pebbles until the coconut water was high enough for him to reach with his beak.

"Success!" Crowley cawed happily as he drank the cool, refreshing coconut water. His clever plan had worked perfectly.

As Crowley enjoyed his drink, the children from the creek came over, curious about what he was doing. They watched in amazement as Crowley used the pebbles to drink from the cracked coconut.

"You're a very clever crow!" one of the children exclaimed.

Crowley cawed proudly and continued to drink until he was satisfied. The children clapped and cheered for Crowley's cleverness. From that day on, Crowley became a hero in Crescentville, admired for his crafty problem-solving skills.

Whenever someone in the village had a tricky problem, they would say, "Let's ask Crowley for help!" And Crowley was always ready to lend a wing, proving that with a little creativity, any problem could be solved.

