

Theme 3: SOW a Proactive Attitude

Rome is not built in a day

The Crow and the pitcher

One fine summer morning, a weary, thirsty, black crow hovered across the sunny sky, searching for refreshing water. All of a sudden he noticed a tremendous pitcher with little amount of water inside. The black crow was thrilled and he hastily perched on the pitcher to drink a sip of water. But the top of the pitcher was too narrow that his beak couldn't fit through the top.

The crow was about to throw in the towel but he eyed some mini marbles and small pebbles on the fjord. The brainy crow pondered deeply, "If I scoop up these stones with my beak, little by little, the height of the water in this jug will definitely rise up. Then I can drink the water! After all, Rome is not built in a day."

The exhilarated crow quickly went to work and just as he expected, the water rose up at a snail's pace. Finally, the stones filled inside the pitcher and the crow drank the water. He felt satisfied and had recharged the energy to fly away.

An elderly coyote witnessed the scene and taught her children,
“Today I saw a crow drop stones in a pitcher to make the water inside
rise and he slurped it. Therefore, before you young coyotes leave this
cave to live by yourself, remember that never give up! Rome is not
built in a day. Patience is always the key to success.”

“Yes, mother!” six young coyotes uttered in unison. And off they
went keeping the meaningful moral that their trusty mother taught
them in heart.