

Crow Brings the Daylight

Long ago, the Inuit lived in darkness in the North. Crow often travelled between the South and the North and told them about daylight in the South. Only the children liked his stories.

"People can hunt for a longer time in the daylight!" one said. "And they can see wild animals before they attack them," another added.

After he heard the children, the Inuit chief asked Crow to bring them daylight. Crow flew for many miles. When he reached the South he decided to rest in a tree by a river. Suddenly a young girl appeared. She was the chief's daughter. Crow had an idea. He turned himself into a speck of dust and jumped onto her coat.

The girl carried him back to her hut. There, Crow saw a glowing box on the floor. "It's got daylight inside it," he thought. He saw a little boy playing on the floor. He jumped inside the boy's ear and whispered, "You want to play with a ball of daylight." The little boy started crying and repeated Crow's words. His father opened the box and gave him a ball. Crow whispered again: "You want to go outside." The boy repeated his words so his father took him outside to play. Crow jumped out of his ear and became a bird again. Immediately, he took the ball and flew back to the North.

When he arrived, Crow dropped the ball on the ground. It broke into many pieces and there was daylight everywhere. The Inuit were very happy! Crow told them that the ball would only last for six months. Then he would have to go back to the South and bring back a new ball. To this day, the Inuit have six months of darkness and six months of daylight each year.

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Put the events in the order they happened.

6d Across Cultures

Speaking

6 **Put the events in the order they happened. Use them to give the class a summary of the myth.**

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Skills Work

- A ☐ Crow changed back into a bird.
- B ☐ Crow changed into a speck of dust and jumped onto the girl's coat.
- C 1 The Inuit chief sent Crow to the South.
- D ☐ Crow got into the hut.
- E ☐ Crow got into the boy's ear.
- F ☐ There was light everywhere.
- G ☐ Crow saw a glowing box.
- H ☐ Crow dropped the ball and it broke into pieces.
- I ☐ Crow got the ball and flew to the North.
- J ☐ Crow rested in a tree.
- K ☐ The boy went outside with the ball.

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