

# DAILY INSPIRATION

a daily journal for self improvement

## Empower Your Soul - to Inspire Character

*“Every man, as to character, is the creature of the age in which he lives. Very few are able to raise themselves above the ideas of their times.”—Voltaire*

## Happiness

*“Try to be happy in this present moment, and put not off being so to a time to come,—as though that time should be of another make from this which has already come and is ours.”—Thomas Fuller*

## Leadership

*“Start with what they know. Build with what they have. The best of leaders when the job is done, when the task is accomplished, the people will say we have done it ourselves.”—Lao Tzu*

## THE FARMER AND THE STORK

One day a farmer find that cranes were destroying his newly sown corn; a farmer one evening set a net in his field to catch the destructive birds. When he went to examine the net next morning he found a number of cranes and also a stork. “Release me, I beseech you,” cried the stork, “for I have eaten none of your corn, nor have I done you any harm. I am a poor innocent stork, as you may see - a most

dutiful bird, I honor my father and mother. I...” But the farmer cut him short. “All this may be true enough, I dare say, but I have caught you with those were destroying my crops, and you must suffer with the company in which you are found.”

**Moral:** People are judged by the company they keep.

## Enlighten Your Mind - to Excel

### Vocabulary

**Recur v.** To happen again or repeatedly, especially at regular intervals.

**Salvage n.** Any act of saving property.

**Temporary adj.** Lasting for a short time only.

**Tyro n.** One slightly skilled in or acquainted with any trade or profession.

**Variable adj.** Having a tendency to change.

**Witling n.** A person who has little understanding.

## 25<sup>th</sup> July in History

**1814:** English inventor George Stephenson demonstrates the first steam engine.

**1909:** French aviator Louis Bleriot becomes the first man to fly across the English Channel in an airplane

**1957:** Tunisia gains independence

**1958:** Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, inaugurated.

**1977:** Neelam Sanjiva Reddy became the sixth President of India.

**1978:** The first test-tube baby, Louis Brown, is born in Oldham, England.

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