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Intention- My intention is to show the feelings I have for this school in the character Ryder Raven. This is a story of the TVLA Mascot (a raven) named Ryder Raven.

The Adventure of Ryder Raven

As the depressing and worn out building lay in the distance, Ryder sighed. TVLA being his home, he didn't want to lose it. TVLA had been his home for over 4 years. The students there showed that they were proud leaders ready to change the world- aside from the look of the building- with Ryder as their mascot there was nothing that they could not achieve. Ryder flew in from the window and sat on his perch. Suddenly the doorbell rang, Tia, the office official, ran to get the door to find an accountant who looked rather stern

"Can I help you?" Tia said curiously.

The accountant fiddled with his tie then looked up. "Yes, I have come to inform you that because we have not received rent for the building in over 2 months the school will be evicted in 30 days if this payment is not met".

"Oh?" She said unknowingly "Is there any way to pay the rent we owe before the 30 days?"

The accountant looked at her with kind eyes and sighed. "Only if the sum of \$10,000 is met by June 3 otherwise the bank will have no choice but to shut down TVLA forever."

Tia politely thanked the accountant and closed the door slowly as the quiet unsettling news shook the building with unease.

Ryder saw tears in her eyes as she whispered, "*What are we going to do?*". Then she left, but Ryder held onto her question and sighed. Suddenly, Ryder found a poster that seemed to point out to him as it was to have heavenly light shining around it. The poster said STOLEN!!! RAVEN STATUE- if found the Reward is \$10,000.

"Yes, that's it!" he cooed, I will find the missing statue and save TVLA!!." It was the perfect plan he thought as he flew out the window to begin his journey to the museum.

At the museum Ryder saw 2 Jayhawks playing tug-of-war with something gold-- it was the statue! Ryder could hear them arguing with each other. At points their fighting got so bad that they almost lost the statue. Suddenly another Jayhawk much bigger than the others told them to stop fighting and to follow him.

Just as they were about to fly away Ryder swooped down and took the statue. "Yes!" he cried. "Now to return it!" Ryder tried to swerve with the statue in his talons, but it was much too heavy he slowly descended downward and crashed into the museum giftshop.

With Ryder tied up in the curtains, the Jayhawks easily took the statue and flew away saying, "Nice try raven but you need to plan ahead next time before attacking us, the Jay hawk Bandits".

Ryder tried to break free, but to no avail. As he continued to try to break free, he stopped and said in tears, "what's the point! I'm no hero just an ordinary raven trying to save the day, but I will not save TVLA." Ryder thought of all the students at TVLA and the happy moments they shared with him.

Solving riddles and making their school proud "They were true leaders he thought. What was there the motto again? Why are we here? To achieve.... respect, responsibility, and leadership." Ryder thought to himself, "What can I do to achieve my greatness?" Then he got an idea to take his wings slowly out of the curtain. He did so and felt the cloth begin to untangle. He was free! "Yes, he cooed Now to follow those Jayhawks.!" and he flew out the window of the museum.

Flying through many trees, Ryder finally found the Jayhawk Bandits heading into a secret abandoned fox den. They said a code and the door opened. As the door began to close Ryder quickly flew down to the door that said *I'm as simple as a circle worthless as a leader but when I follow a group their strength increases tenfold by myself, I am practically nothing. What am I?*

Ryder thought about this for a moment. Being at TVLA with special "Riddle Masters," as he called them, he knew the answer quickly. Ryder said, "The answer is zero because as a leader it is nothing, but increases a group of numbers before it." The door opened and Ryder flew inside.

Inside the hideout, Ryder found the statue in a glass encasement with the smallest Jayhawk guarding it, but he seemed to be asleep.

"This will be easy!" Ryder said with zeal. He then flew up to the glass encasement. He cut the glass with his talon and grabbed the statue and flew out of the Jayhawk's hideout. Ryder had planned and successfully retrieved the statue from the Jayhawk Bandits. As he flew back to the museum he thought to himself "Thanks for the advice Jayhawks."

Ryder quickly flew into the museum and returned the statue with a note that said – **Statue found by TVLA**. With the statue returned Ryder flew back to TVLA for some well needed rest. With the money TVLA was able to move buildings completely and renovate as they wished thanks to Ryder Raven.