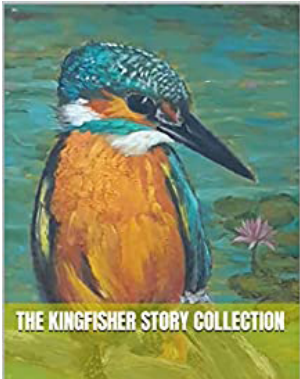


# Prof. Kingfisher's beautiful logic of problem-solving

*Nine-Dollar Kingfisher*, The Big Pond [1]

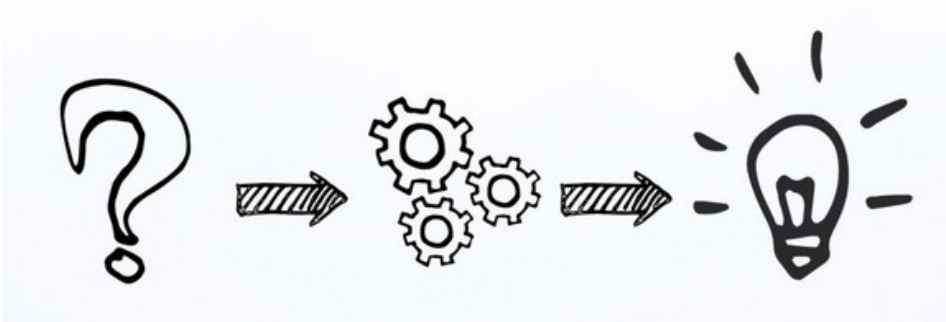


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*\*Special Note: This piece presents a paradox artificially created by Prof. Kingfisher for pondering. It must not be regarded as a given truth.*

While surfing The Big Pond, I learned that Albert Einstein, the great mind of humankind, once famously said, "We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking that created them".

Now from The Big Pond, I was not in the position to verify if it really came from Einstein. Never mind, something can still be worked out of it since it sounds *smart*.



**Figure:** The Kingfisher Paradox: "Being stupider will solve it all".

Let's state the axiom that problems always contain some level of stupidity. (True, isn't it!)

Also, the thinking that leads to a stupid problem must be stupid. (Also, true, isn't it?).

Therefore, adding "stupid" to "problems" and to "thinking" won't make the statement lose its generality.

So the statement has now become:

"We cannot solve our stupid problems with the same level of stupid thinking that created them".

Also, we know that if "the same" cannot solve the problem, we must need "more", "stronger", "higher", and "better".

So, most probably, the solution to this conundrum is:

"We can only solve our stupid problems with the higher level of stupid thinking that created them".

Voilà, here comes perhaps the most beautiful solution.

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