

## **EXTERNALS DON'T MAKE US GREAT**

*(Aesop's Fable)*

### **The Jay and the Peacocks**

**It is not only fine feathers that make fine birds  
Fakes will soon exist discovered and disgraced  
Don't put on borrowed feathers.**

A Jay venturing into a yard where Peacocks used to live found there a number of feathers which had fallen from the Peacocks when they were molting. He tied them all to his tail and strutted down towards the Peacocks. When he came near them they soon discovered the cheat, and rushing up to him pecked at him and plucked away his borrowed plumes.

The Jay in disgrace had to go back to the other Jays, who had watched his behavior from a distance. They and told him: **"It is not only fine feathers that make fine birds**