

# Welcome to COYOTE 0

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## The Story of Coyote

Imagine the perfect training event.....

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You awake, fresh after that *Extra* three hours of sleep you ensured. You get together your *Training notes* which are perfectly ordered in your briefcase to face the first day of training. You are ready to impart your veritable *Cornucopia* of knowledge in your given subject. You enter the meeting room as if on a gilded *Chariot*. With the first *Icebreaker* the participants melt and the session gets off to a *Dynamite* start. The *Training dialogue* flows with ease and you are like an *Octopus* effectively drawing the participants together into discussion. As the day comes to an end you tear off the last page from the *Flipchart* without one tear in the perforations and you slip on the lid of your *Marker* which hasn't dried out in years. You leave the event feeling that you have climbed the *Everest* of training!

A perfect day without a single problem.

Maybe you have had a day like the one described. However.... as we tried to choose a name for this magazine we tossed and turned between all the highlighted words above but we still felt as though we weren't pinpointing the essence of training. Often you have to adapt to the circumstances in which you find yourself and have to call upon your resources to cope with things that do not go according to plan, training can be uncertain.

And then with ink stained fingers with a final flick through a book of names the page fell open.....

" *Coyote* - a resourceful animal whose blunders or successes explain the condition of life in an uncertain universe." (In: Jack Tresidder, The Hutchison Dictionary of Symbols, 1997)

**And so Spiffy the coyote was born!**