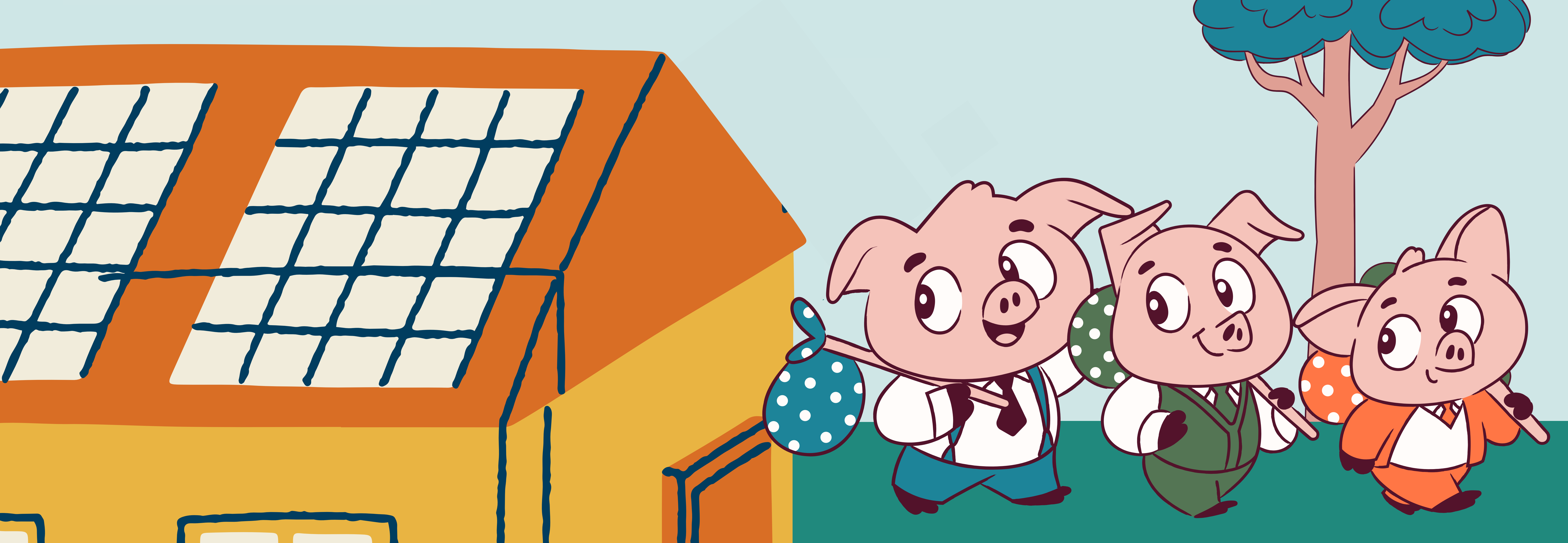
INVESTING WITH THE THREE LITTLE PIGS



WORD BANK

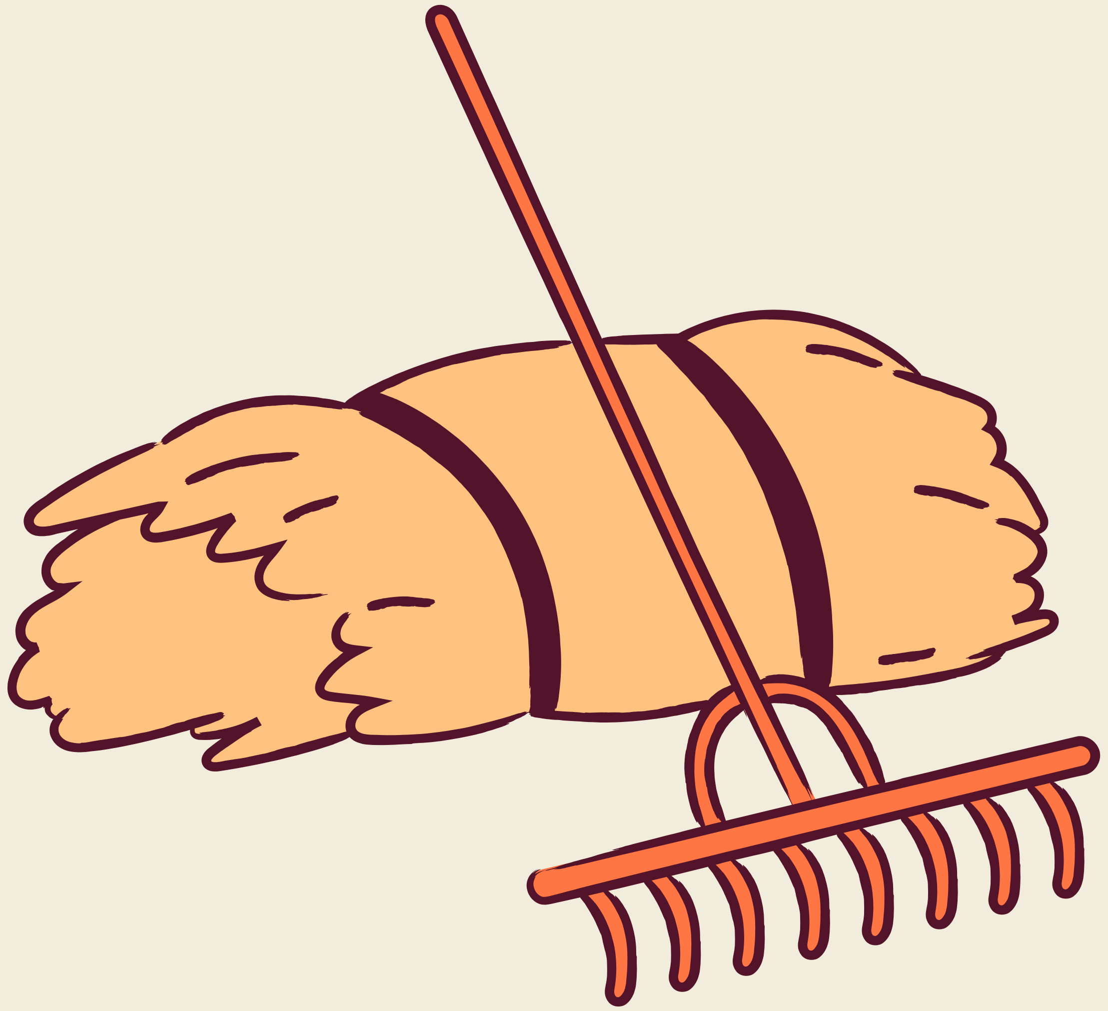
- **Investing:** Using your money to buy things that can grow in value over time, like stocks or property.
- **Risk:** A choice that might not work out and could lead to losses.
- **Diversify:** Spreading your money into different investments to reduce risk.
- **Stocks:** Small ownership in a company. If the company does well, your stock becomes more valuable.
- **Bonds:** A safe way to earn money by lending it to someone (like a government or company) who pays you back with interest.
- **Compound Interest:** When your savings earn interest, and that interest earns even more interest over time.
- **Savings:** Money set aside for future use or emergencies.
- **Finance:** Finance is the way we earn, save, spend, borrow, and share money to plan for the future.

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS AND THE SECRET TO SMART MONEY CHOICES

Once upon a time, there were three little pigs who dreamed of building their own homes. But along the way, they also learned valuable lessons about saving, investing, and making wise financial decisions.

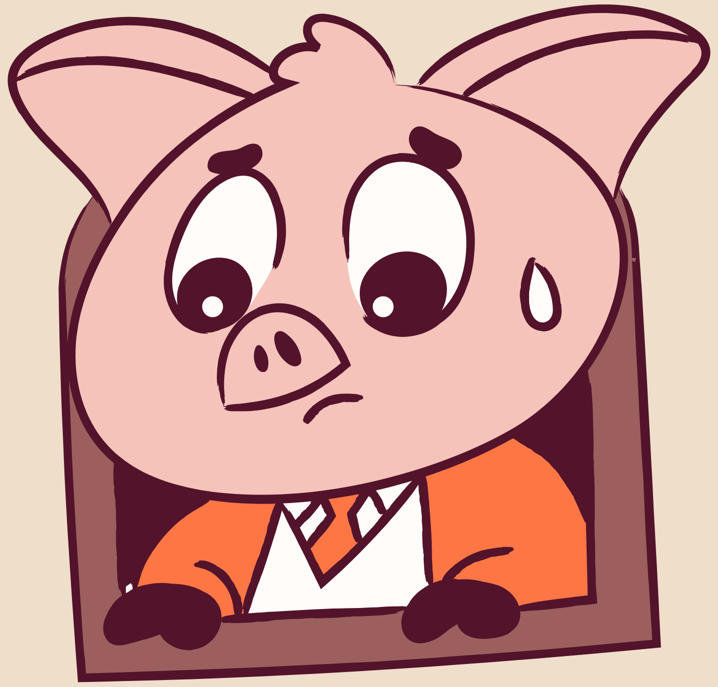
PIGGY 1: THE QUICK AND RISKY BUILDER

The first little pig was impatient. He wanted to finish his house quickly, so he built his house out of straw, the cheapest option.



After building, he spent the rest of his money on toys and fun things, thinking that saving or investing was too complicated and would take too long.

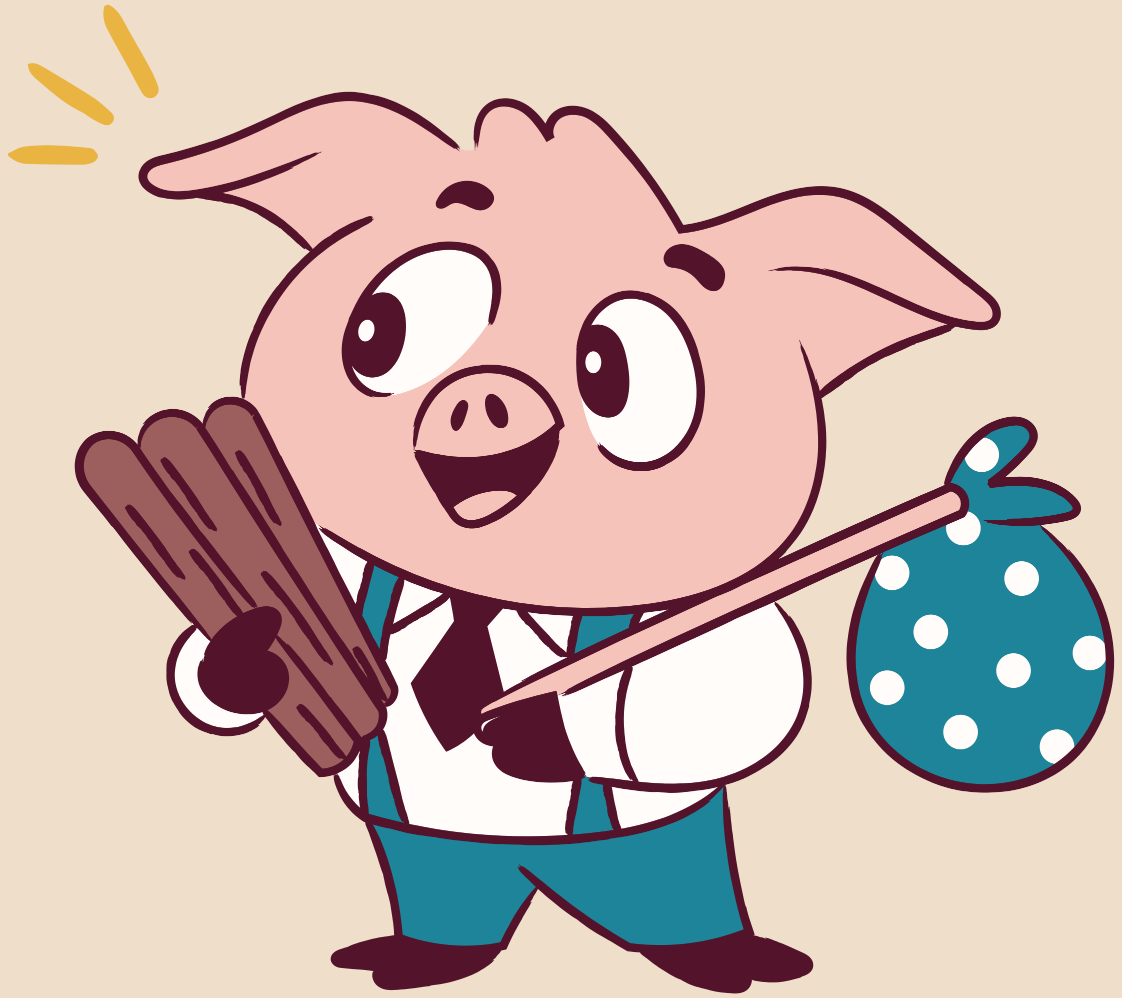
But straw houses are fragile and risky! When the Big Bad Wolf came, he huffed and puffed, and blew the straw house down.



Piggy I had no savings or investments to fall back on. With no safety net, he learned that spending without saving is a dangerous path.

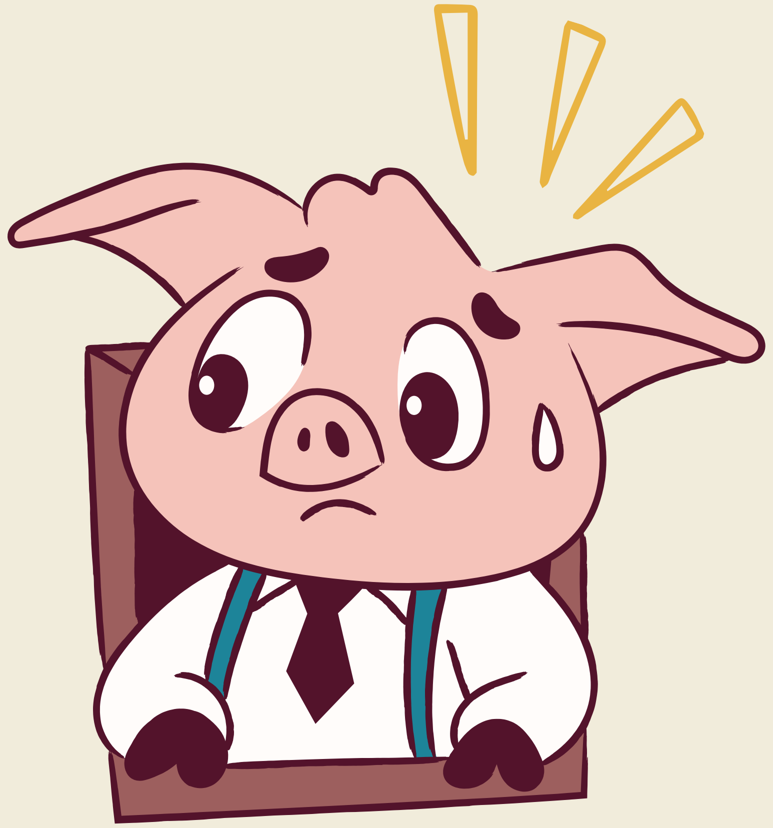
PIGGY 2: THE MODERATE SAVER

The second little pig decided to put in a bit more effort. He built his house out of sticks, which were stronger than straw but still not the best choice.



He saved some of his money in a piggy bank but spent a good portion on toys, thinking it was okay to save just a little.

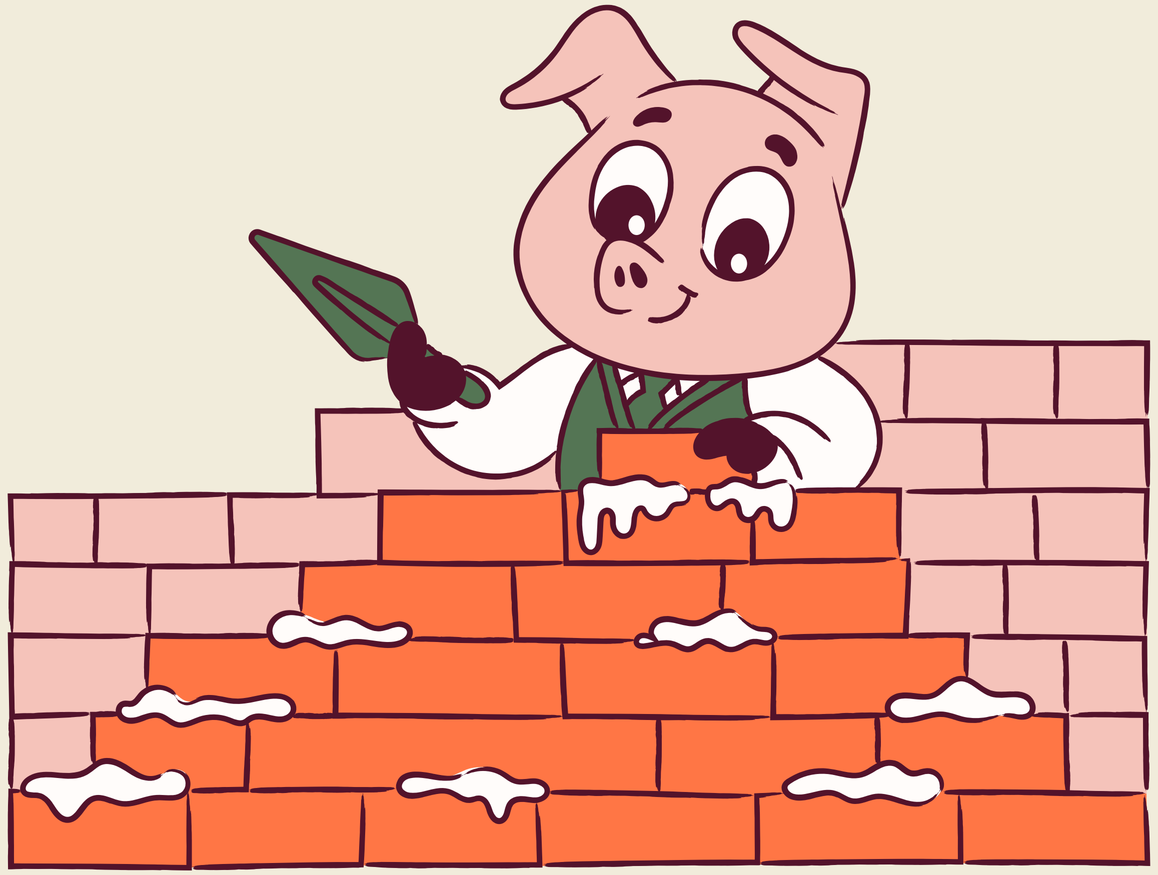
Sticks were sturdier than straw, but they still weren' t enough to withstand the wolf. When the Big Bad Wolf came, he huffed and puffed, and the stick house fell apart.

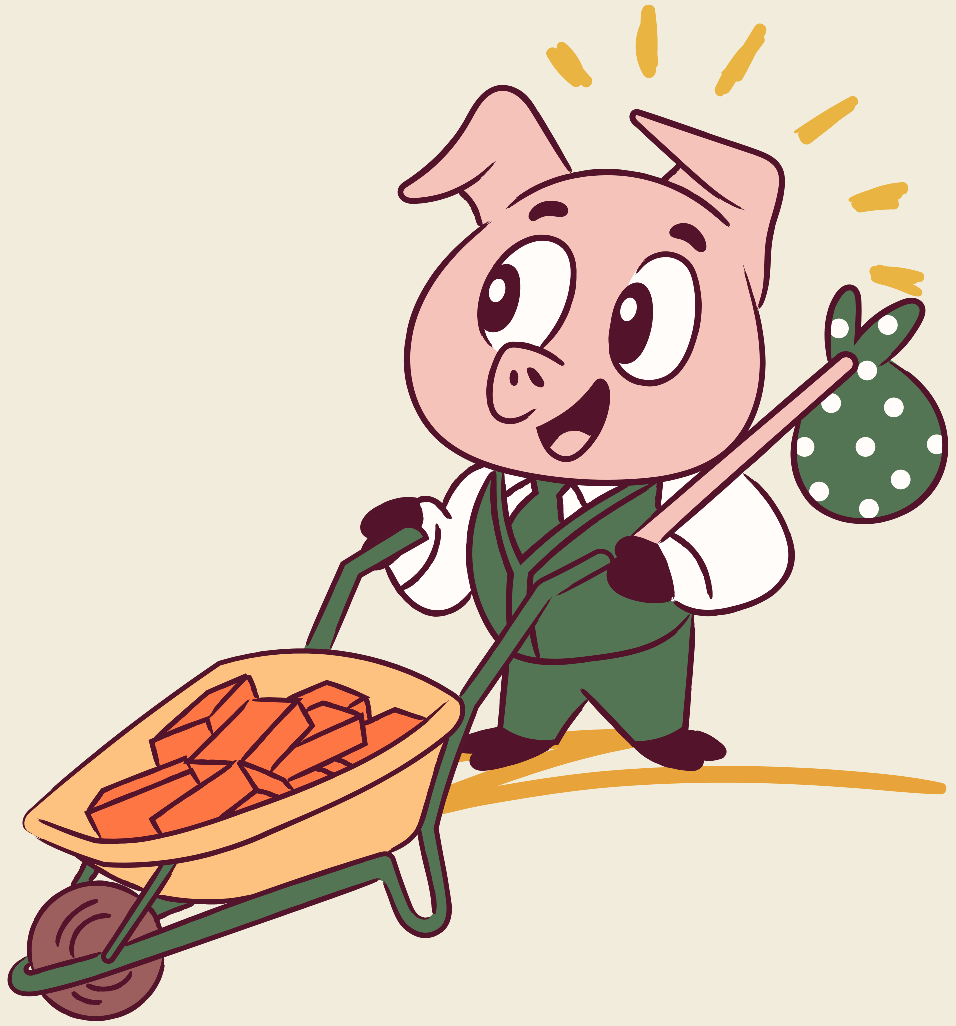


Piggy 2 realized that while saving was a good start, it wasn' t enough. He needed to invest and spread his money into different places to make it grow and protect it from unexpected dangers.

PIGGY 3: THE WISE AND PATIENT INVESTOR

The third little pig was patient and strategic. He decided to build his house out of bricks, even though it took more time and money. He also thought carefully about his money.





Instead of just saving it in one place, he diversified. He put some money in a piggy bank for emergencies, bought stocks (a small ownership in companies), and invested in bonds (a safe way to earn steady returns).

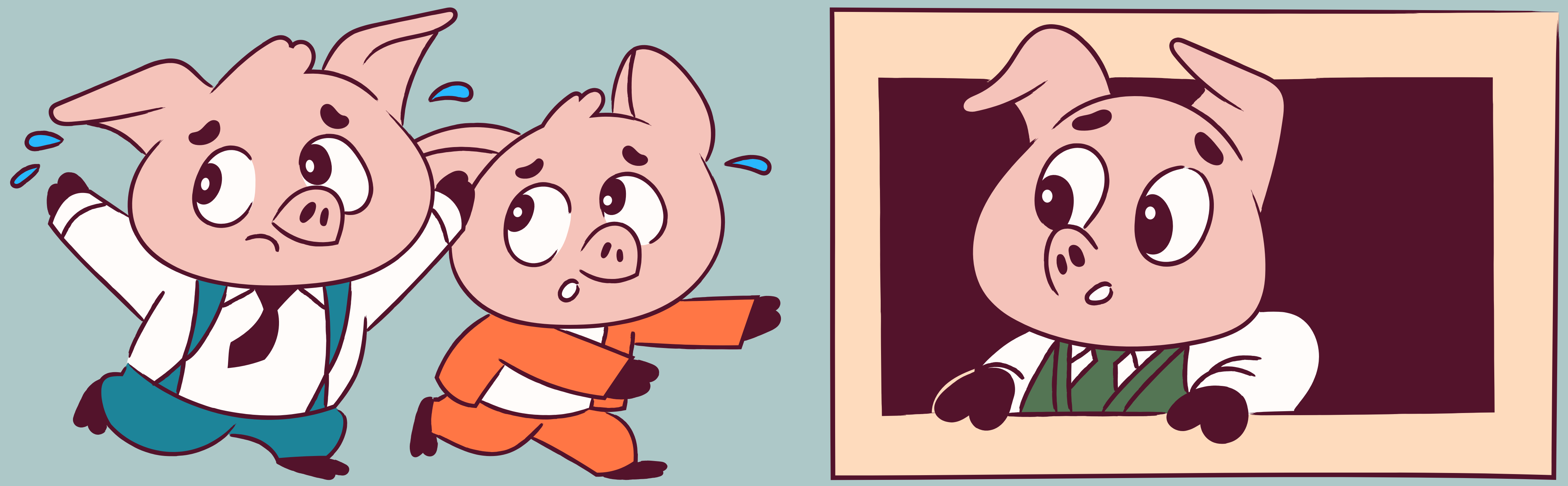
Piggy 3 understood the magic of compound interest. When the money you save earns interest, and then that interest earns even more interest. Over time, this made his investments grow much bigger than what he started with.

When the Big Bad Wolf came, he huffed and puffed, but the brick house didn’ t budge! Piggy 3’ s wise financial decisions not only kept him safe but also allowed him to help his brothers rebuild their homes and learn how to manage their money better.

THE BIG BAD WOLF LEARNS ABOUT MONEY

The Big Bad Wolf was impressed by Piggy 3’s strong house. “How did you build something so sturdy?” he asked.

Piggy 3 explained, “I didn’t spend all my money on toys. I saved some and invested the rest in different places, like stocks and bonds. I also let my money grow over time with compound interest. So now my house is strong and I’m financially secure.”

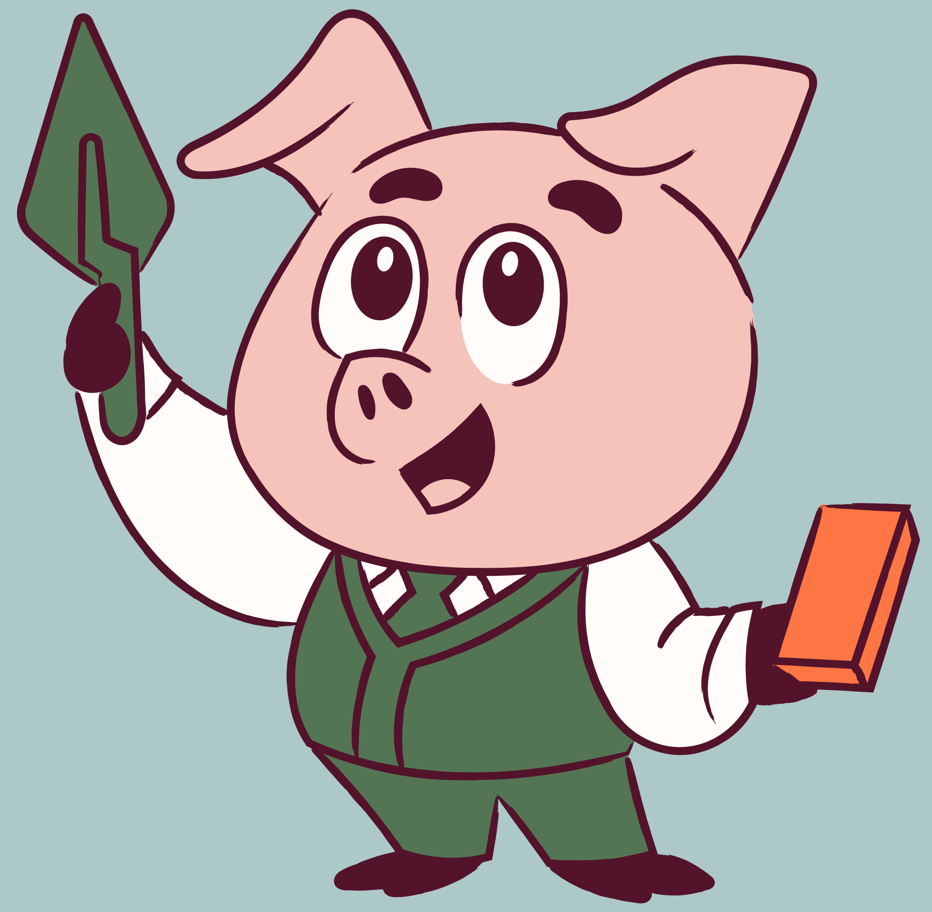


Hearing this, Piggy 1 and Piggy 2 realized their mistakes. "We should have saved and invested like you!" they said. From then on, they started making smarter financial choices. Even the Big Bad Wolf decided to save and invest, so he didn't have to huff and puff for a living anymore!

MORAL OF THE STORY

You can build a strong financial future like Piggy 3 by:

1. **Saving regularly:** Keep some money aside instead of spending it all.
2. **Investing wisely:** Put your money in different places, like stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, to help it grow over time.
3. **Diversifying your investments:** Don' t put all your money in one place. Spread it out to reduce risk.



4. **Understanding compound interest:** Let your money grow by earning interest on interest, creating a snowball effect.
5. **Being patient:** Good things take time. The longer you save and invest, the more your money will grow.

QUIZ TIME!

1. What is saving?

a) Spending all your money right away

b) Keeping some money aside for emergencies or the future

c) Borrowing money from someone else

2. What does it mean to invest your money?

a) To bury it in the ground

b) To spend it on candy and toys

c) To use it to buy things that can grow in value, like stocks or bonds

3. What is compound interest?

a) When you lose all your money

b) When your money grows by earning interest on interest

c) When you spend more money than you have

QUIZ TIME!

4. Why is it important to diversify your investments?

a) To spread your money into different places and reduce risks

b) To keep all your money in one place

c) To spend it all on one big purchase

5. What are stocks?

a) Small ownership in a company that can grow in value

b) A type of toy

c) A game you play with money

6. How do you make your money grow?

a) Spend it all right away

b) Save and invest it over time

c) Keep it hidden under your bed

ANSWERS

1B, 2C, 3B, 4A, 5A, 6B


THE END

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