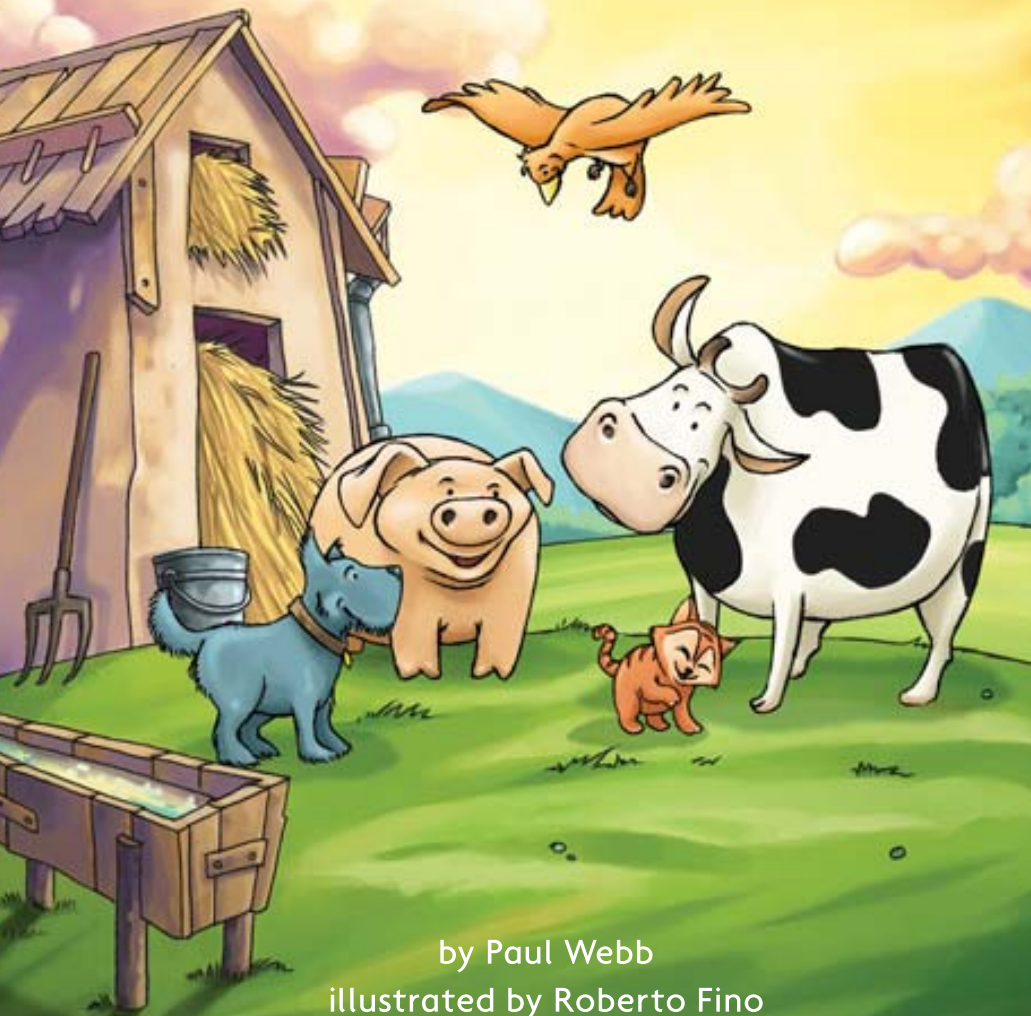


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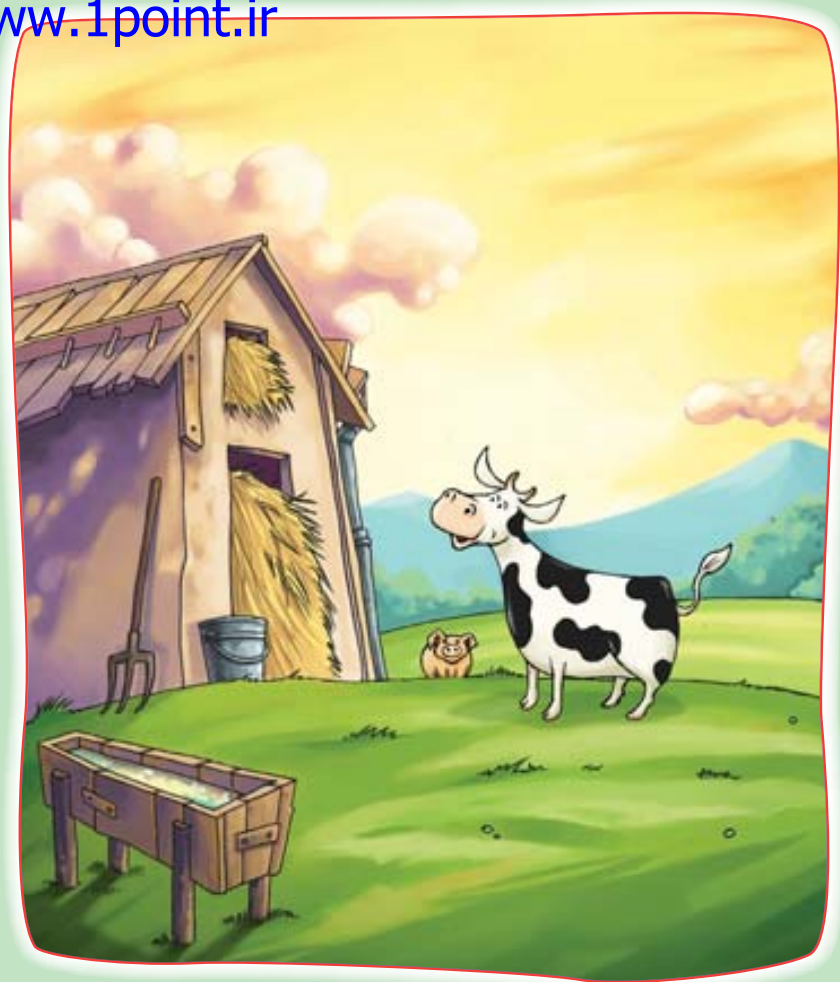
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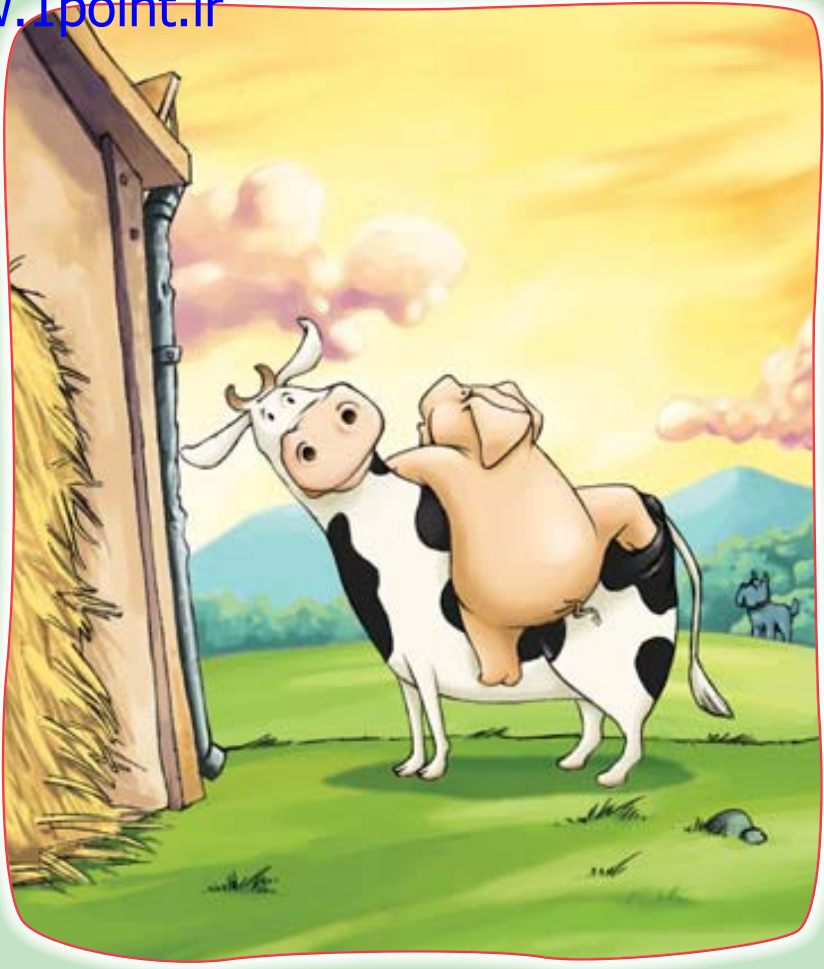
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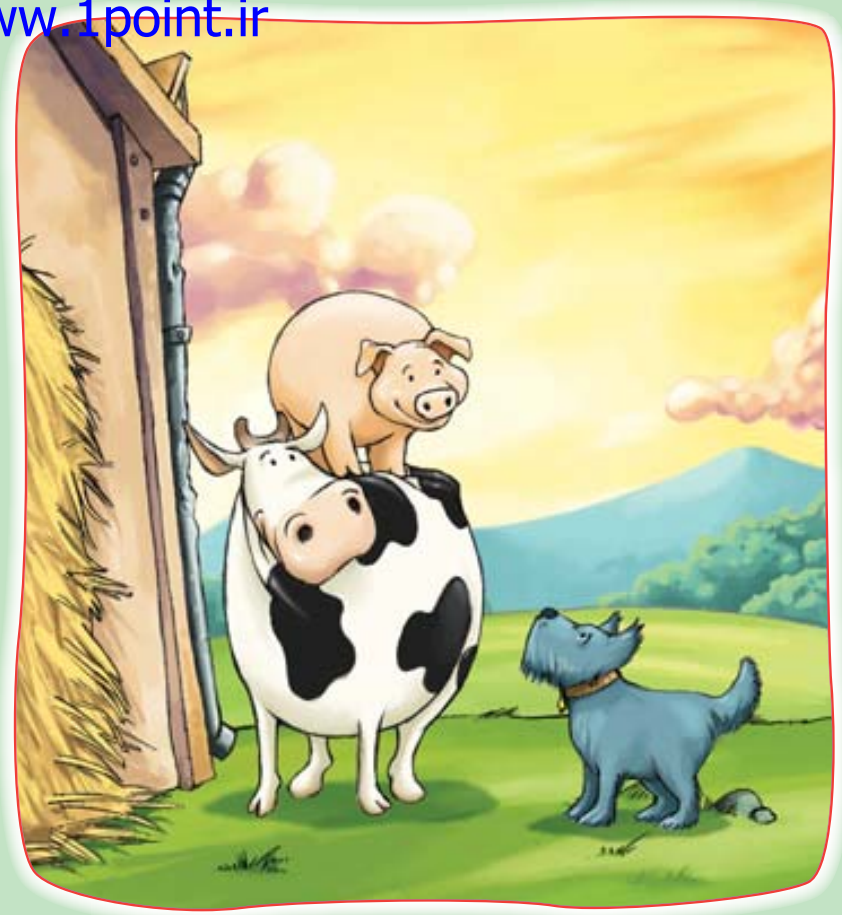
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There was a noise from on top of the barn. The cow wanted to see what it was, but the barn was too tall.



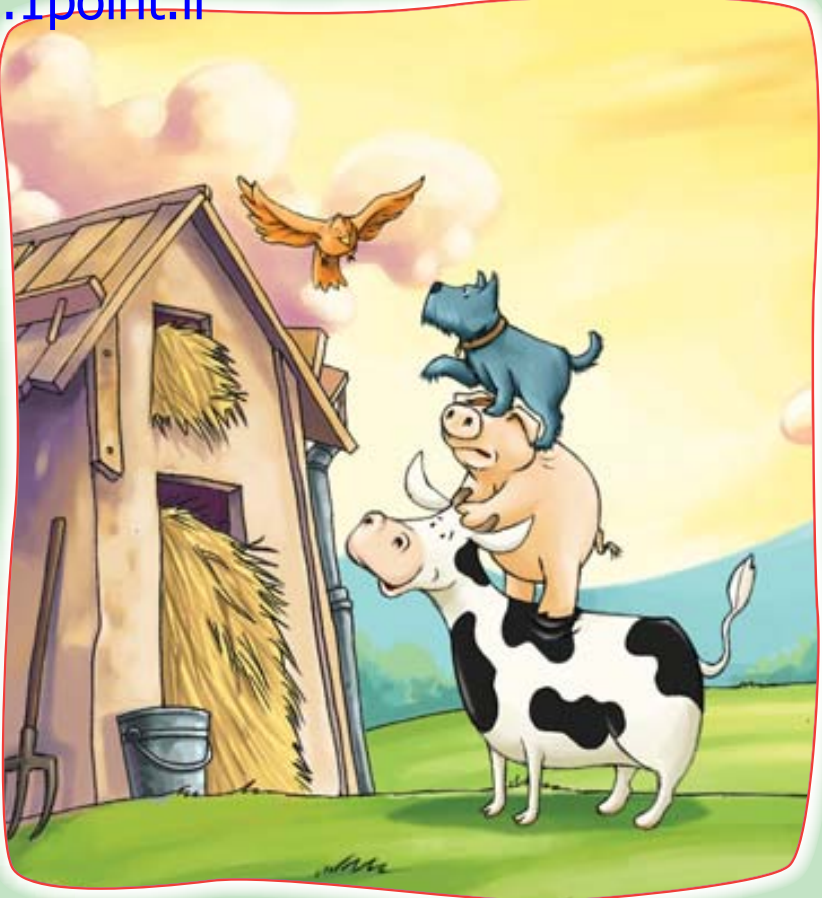
- ▶ Pig trotted across the yard.
- ▶ Cow said, "Please stand on my back to see what is on top of the barn."



▶ The barn was still too tall, and Pig could not see.

Dog came past.

▶ “Dog, could you please stand on my back?” asked Pig.

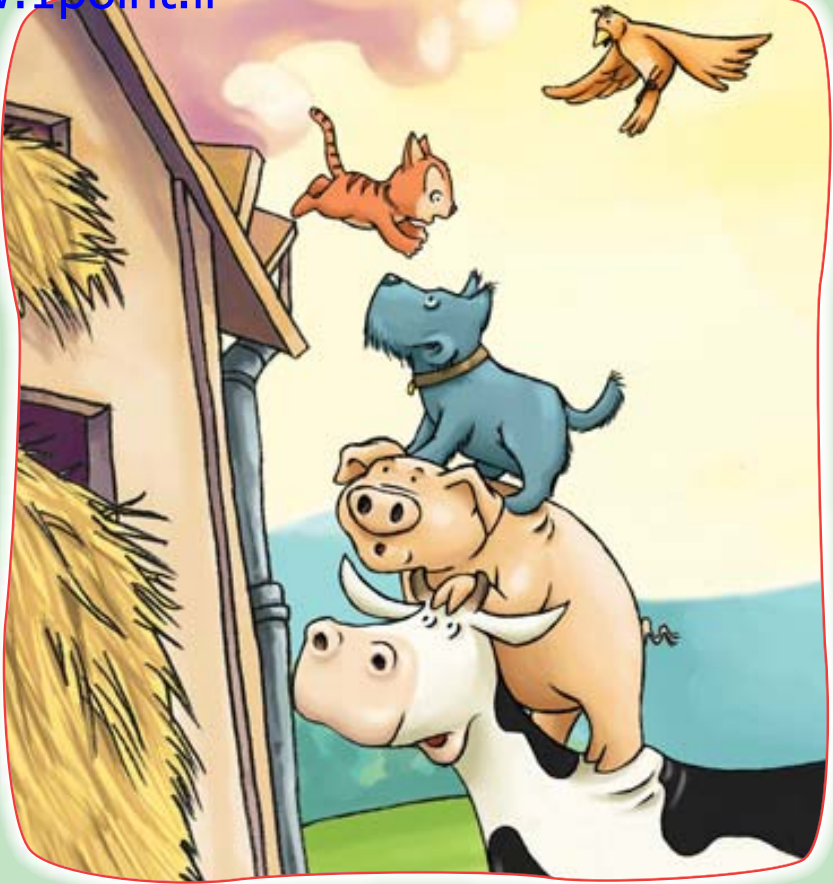


▀ The barn was still too tall, and Dog could not see.

▀ Dog called, "Bird, please come and join us. Could you fly up and see what is on top of the barn?"



🔊 Bird was surprised. “There is a little kitten stuck on top of the barn!” said Bird. “She is all by herself.”



▶ “Oh, my!” said Cow. “That kitten needs some help. Please tell her we will help.”

▶ Kitten jumped onto Dog’s back and joined the animals in the yard.




- ▶ “There is always room for a new friend,” they said to Kitten.
- ▶ “Thank you for being so nice,” Kitten purred.

Think Critically

1. Where did the story take place?
2. What lesson did you learn from the story?
3. What was Kitten's problem and how was it solved?
4. How can you tell that Kitten was happy to be on the ground?
5. What did you like best about the story?

Social Studies

Write Sentences Write three sentences about the differences between your neighborhood and the farm in the story.

-  **School-Home Connection** Tell a family member how Kitten's problem was solved. Talk about a time when someone helped you solve a problem.