

The Farmer and His Sons

One day, there was an old farmer who had worked hard all his life. He was very sick. He had three sons. He wanted them to be good farmers. He said to them, "There is a treasure in my land. Promise me that you will look for it."

Sadly, the father died soon after. The sons looked for the treasure. They dug and dug the soil. "What will we find?" they said to each other.

Soon, they dug up all of their father's land but they had not found any treasure. They were upset. "All that hard work for nothing!" they said.

But the crops began to grow in the soil they had dug. They sold the crops and made a lot of money. Now they knew what their father had meant by the great treasure. The sons worked hard on the land and lived happily ever after.

The moral of the story is...Hard work brings its own reward.



Questions

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