

# Hansel and Gretel

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Once upon a time, there was a poor family.

They had two children named Hansel and Gretel.

The kid's mother had [passed away](#), and the dad had remarried.

Their new [stepmom](#) was [evil](#).



The family now didn't have enough money for food.

The stepmom wanted [to get rid of](#) Hansel and Gretel to save money.



So, one day the stepmom led Hansel and Gretel into the dark forest.

She went left, right, and all-around to get them lost and confused.

The stepmom then left the kids in the middle of the forest all alone.

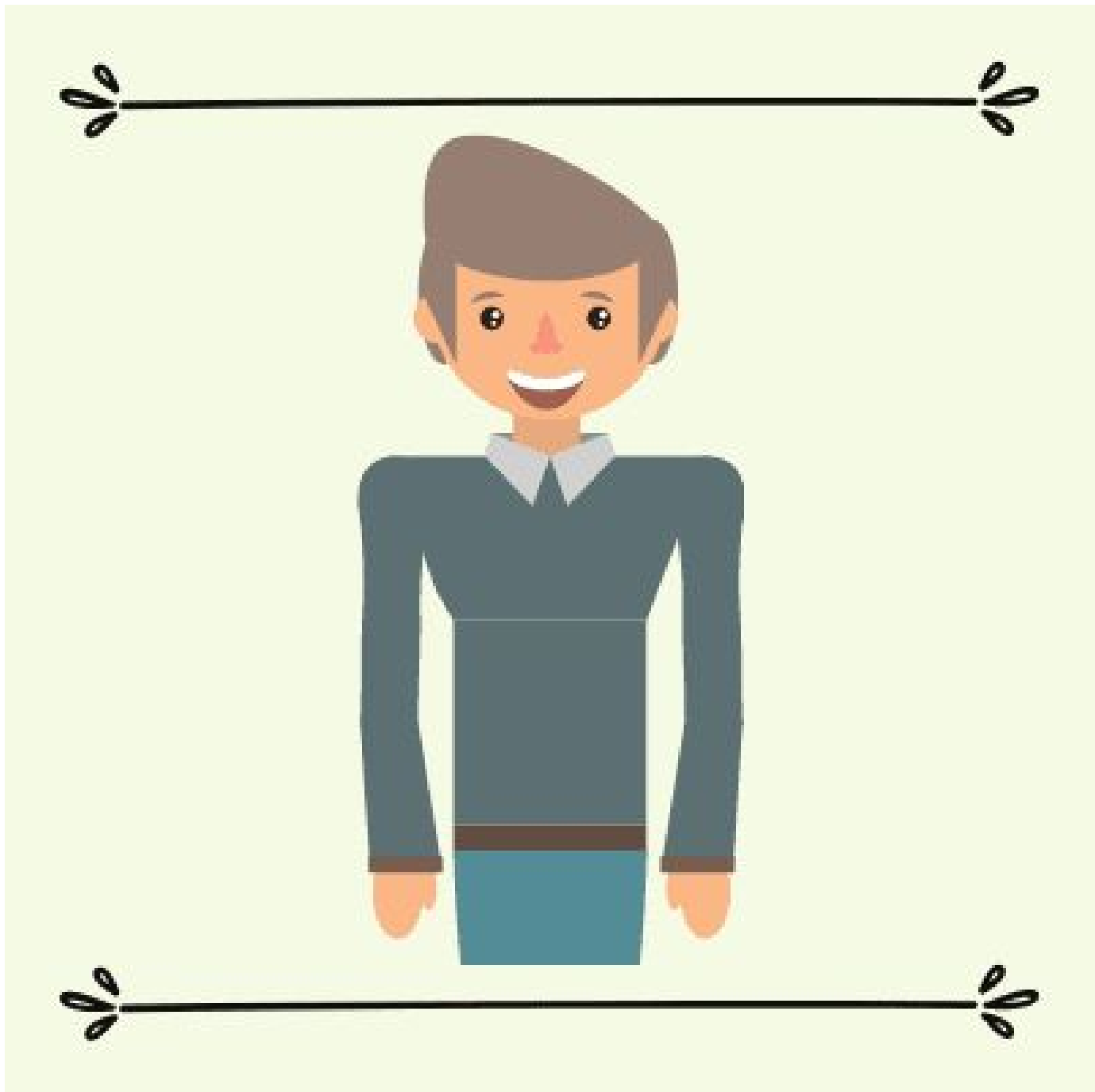
She hoped to never see them again.



However, Hansel was smart.

He left a [trail](#) of stones behind him as they walked.

When the stepmom left them, Hansel and Gretel followed the stones back home.



The dad was so happy to see them.

The stepmom was very angry.

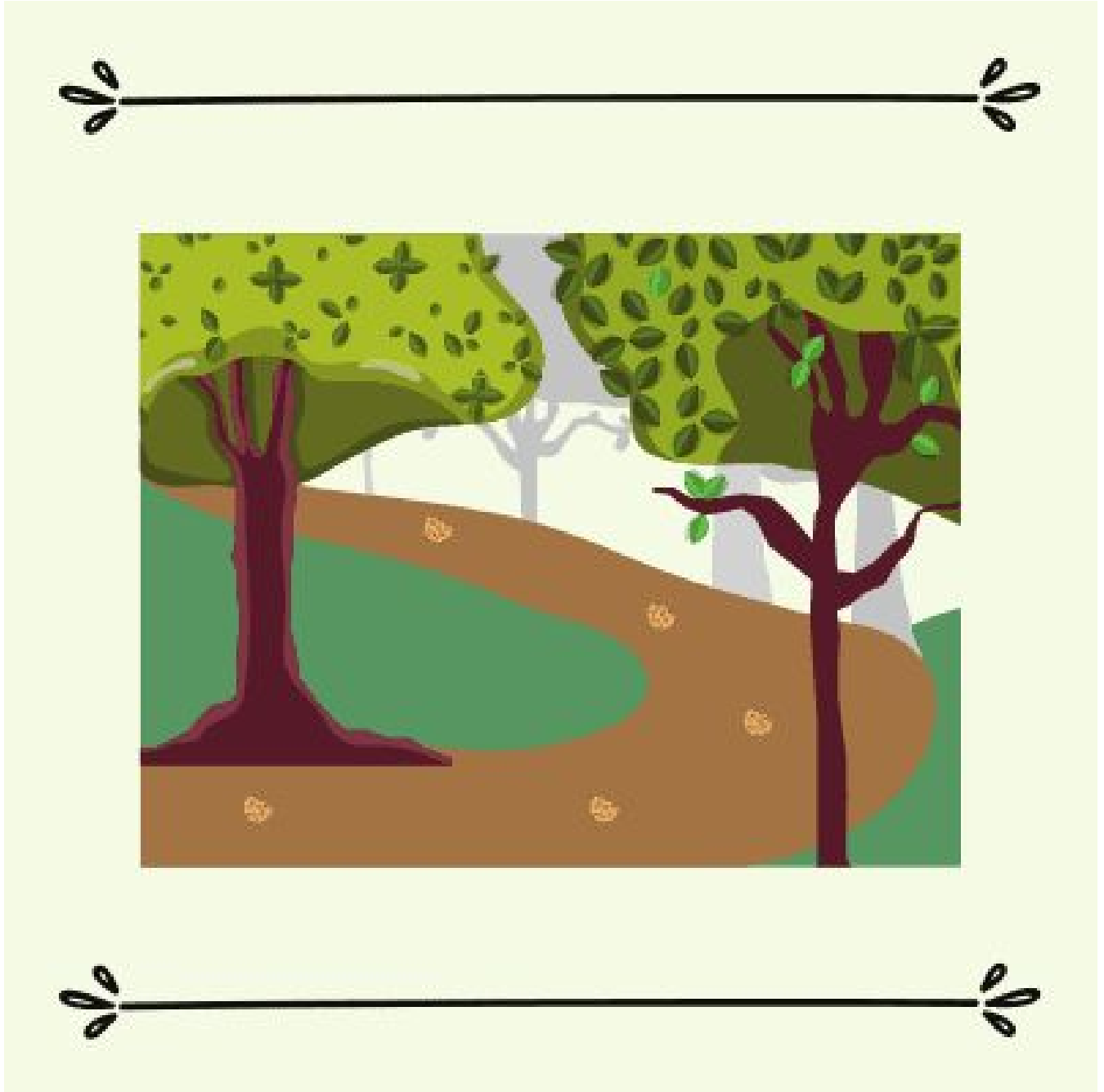


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However, Hansel was smart.

He left a trail of [breadcrumbs](#) behind him as they walked.

When the stepmom left them, Hansel and Gretel followed the breadcrumbs.



But, soon, the breadcrumbs [disappeared](#).

The animals had eaten all of the breadcrumbs up.

Hansel and Gretel quickly became lost in the dark forest.





They walked and walked and walked.

And then, they saw a small [cottage](#) in a [clearing](#).

The house was made of candy and [gingerbread](#).

Hansel and Gretel were hungry, so they began to eat the cottage.

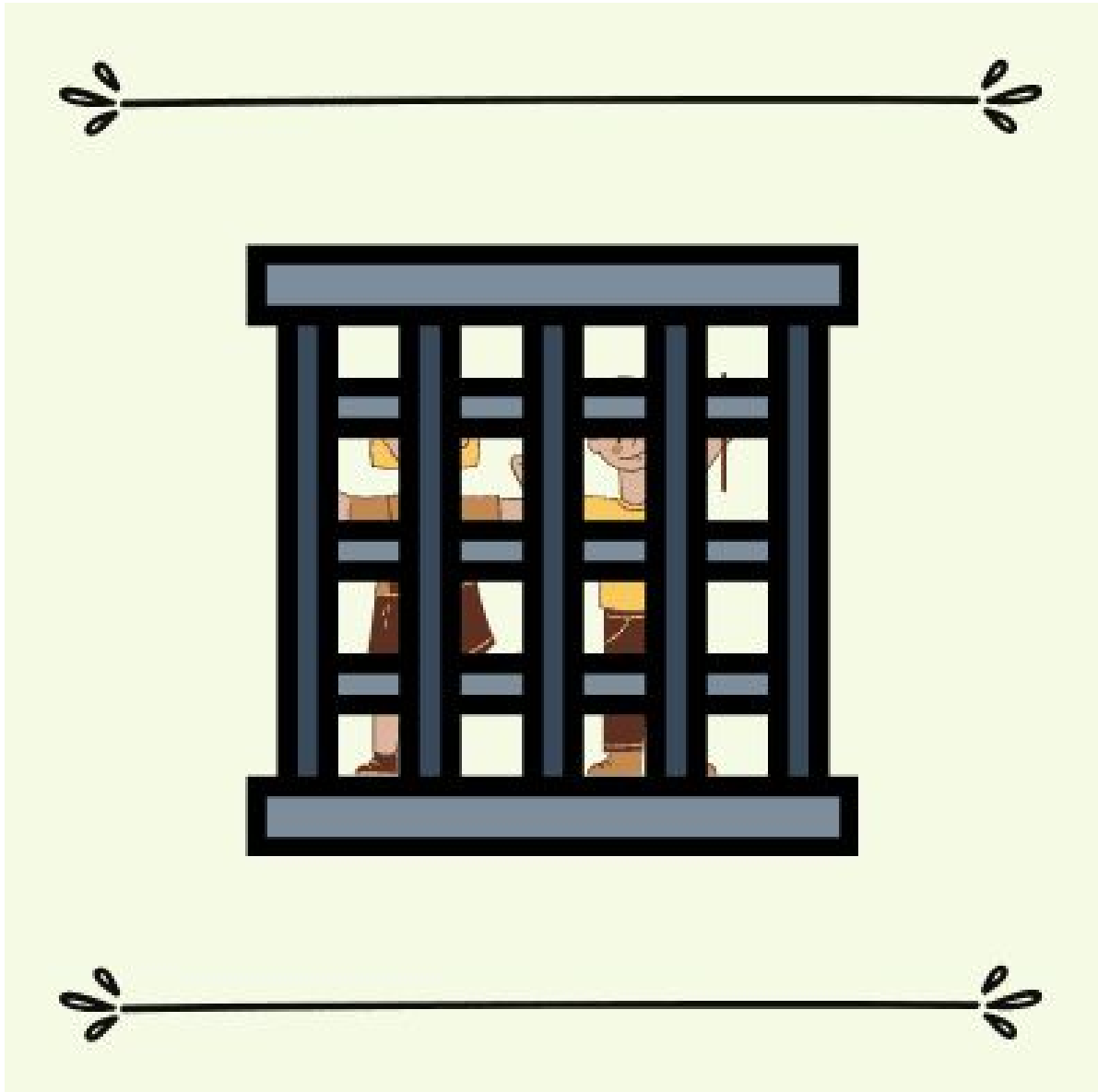
The two kids broke off pieces of gingerbread and ate them.



“Stop eating my cottage!” yelled a voice.

Hansel and Gretel turned around.

There, in the candy [doorway](#), was a big, fat witch.



The witch grabbed Hansel and Gretel and forced them into the cottage.

The witch threw Hansel and Gretel into a cage and locked them in.

“Let us out” yelled Hansel and Gretel.

“No,” replied the witch, “I am hungry, and I will eat you up!”



The witch began getting her [oven](#) ready.

But, the oven door was [stuck](#)!

“Girl,” the witch yelled, “Come help me open this door!”



The witch let Gretel out of the cage to help her open the door. They pushed and pushed and pushed, and then the door opened. While the witch was distracted, Gretel pushed her into the oven.



Gretel then grabbed her brother and ran out of the cottage

Hansel and Gretel ran, and ran, and ran.

They found a forest path and followed it all the way back to their home.



Their dad was so happy to see them.

Their stepmom was gone (she herself had gotten lost in the forest).

The kids and their dad lived happily ever after.