

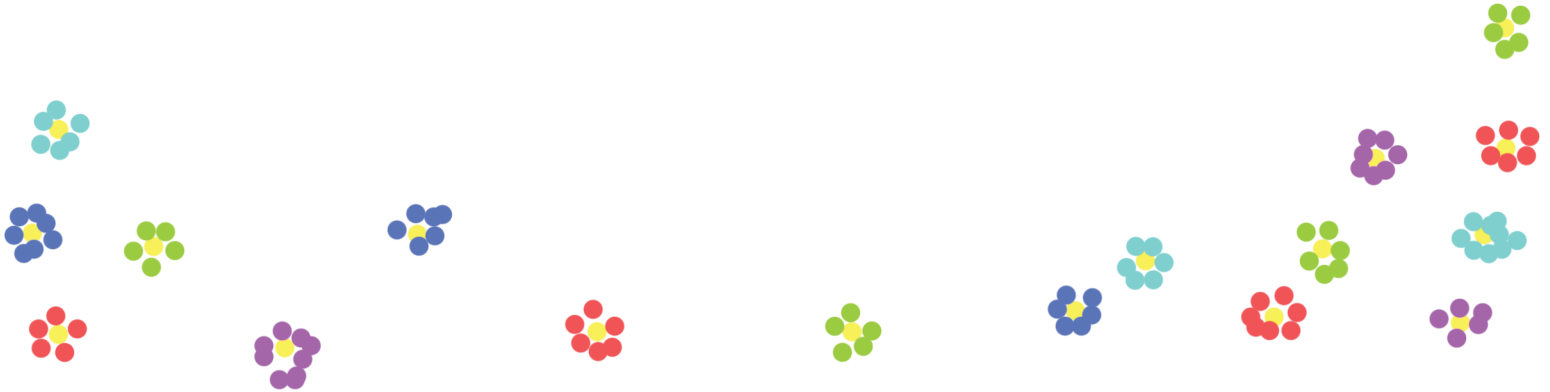
THE SELFISH BADGER



Dedicated to the people who put up with me
when I've been the Badger



“Today you shall be with Me in Paradise.”
~Jesus Christ



Everyday in the afternoon,
the little animals played in the
Badger's garden.



One day,
the Badger came
back from his
vacation, and
was *furious* at what he saw.



WHAT?

He was so mad,
that he put up a huge wall
around the whole garden,
and posted a “keep-out” sign.



KEEP OUT

The little animals had
nowhere to play, and wandered
around the high wall looking for
something to do.

“How happy we were there!”
They said.



KEEP OUT

When Spring came around,
the snow melted everywhere
except the Giant's garden.

Summer and Autumn left
the snow in his garden untouched.



The Badger was sad,
but he would not take down his wall.

One cold day, he heard singing right
outside his window!



When he went to see
what was going on, he saw all the
little animals playing, and his garden
in full bloom!



The giant realized why it had always been winter, and went to go knock down his wall.

When he came outside,
all the animals ran away in fear.



One little animal didn't run,
because he was stuck in a tree and
was crying.



The Badger was sorry
he'd been so mean, and helped
down the little animal
who was stuck in the tree.



The very next day,
the badger ripped down his wall he
had built around his garden



From then on,
the little animals played everyday
in the Badger's garden.

The Badger was happy,
but he missed seeing
the animal he had helped.



It was many years later,
on a cold winter morning
when he saw his little friend again.



He was shocked when he saw deep wounds on the little animals paws.

“Who did this to you?”

The Badger yelled.

Tell me so I can go and get them!”



“No one hurt me,” he said.

“These are the wounds of LOVE!”

“And since you let me play in your garden, I will let you into my garden, which is Heaven!”



The next day when the little animals
came to play in the garden,
they found the body of the Badger
lying in the snow,
surrounded with flowers.





THE END





Learn with Badger that
sharing is *always* the
right thing to do.

