



# Part 3

# In the red

 **To be losing money or in debt.**

Ex: After the pandemic, many small businesses were in the red for months.



# In the black

 **Making a profit or financially healthy.**

Ex : After a tough year,  
our company is finally  
back **in the black**.





# come to life

 **Become lively or full of energy**

Ex: The party really **came to life** after the music started.

 **Appear real or vivid**


Ex: The characters in the book **came to life** in the movie.

 **Start working / become functional again**

Ex: The screen **came to life** when I pressed the power button.



# look back on sth

 To think about or reflect on something from the past, usually with emotion or perspective.

Ex : I often look back on my school days with fond memories.



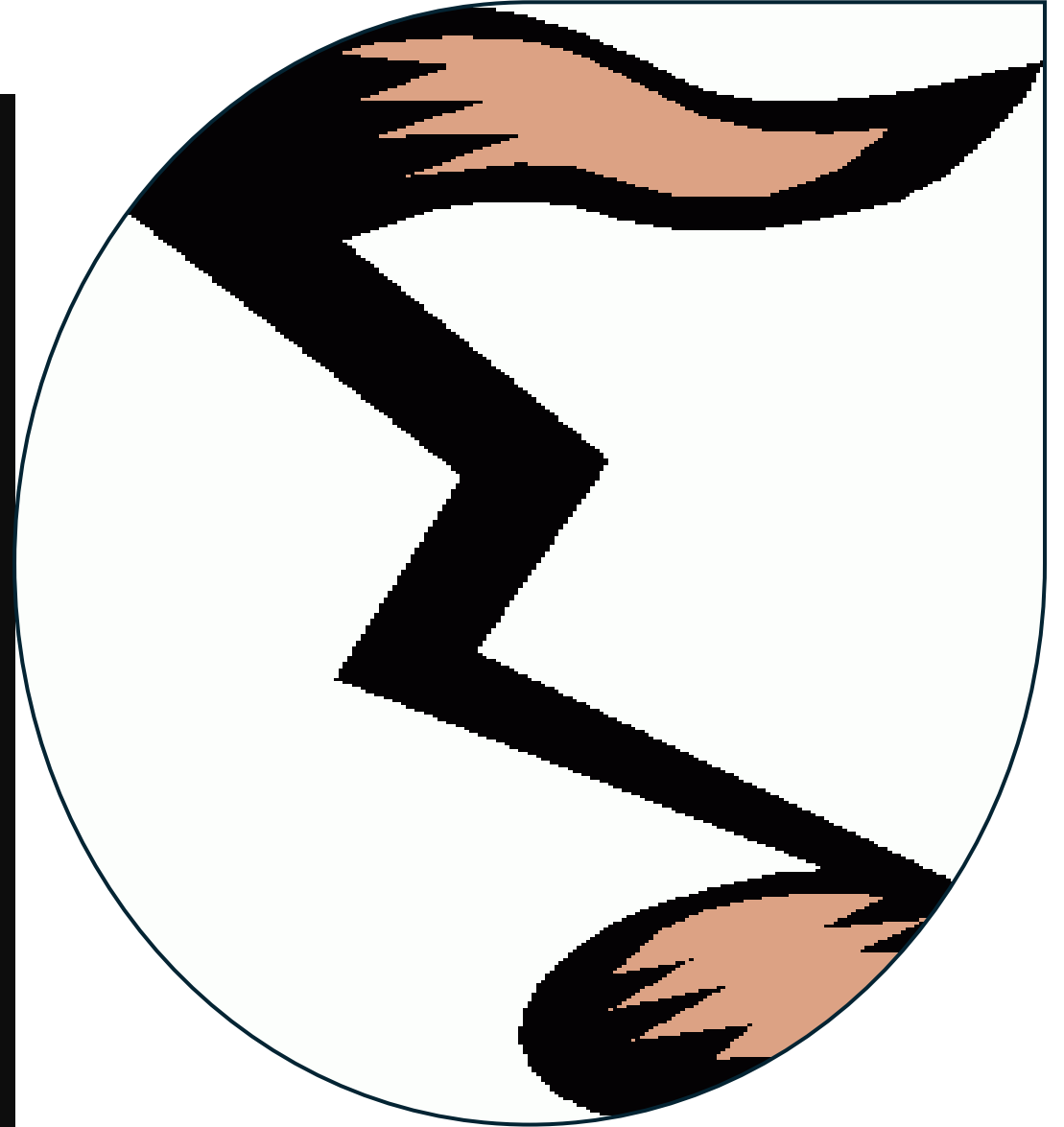
# out of tune

🎵 **Literal meaning (music):** When a musical instrument or someone's singing is not in the correct pitch.


**Ex:** "The guitar sounds out of tune — can you fix it?"

💬 **Figurative meaning:** When someone or something is not in harmony or agreement with others — mentally, emotionally, or in ideas.

**Ex:** "His views are out of tune with modern society."



# get the upper hand


 To gain control, advantage, or dominance over someone or something.

Ex: After hours of negotiation, she finally **got the upper hand** in the deal.

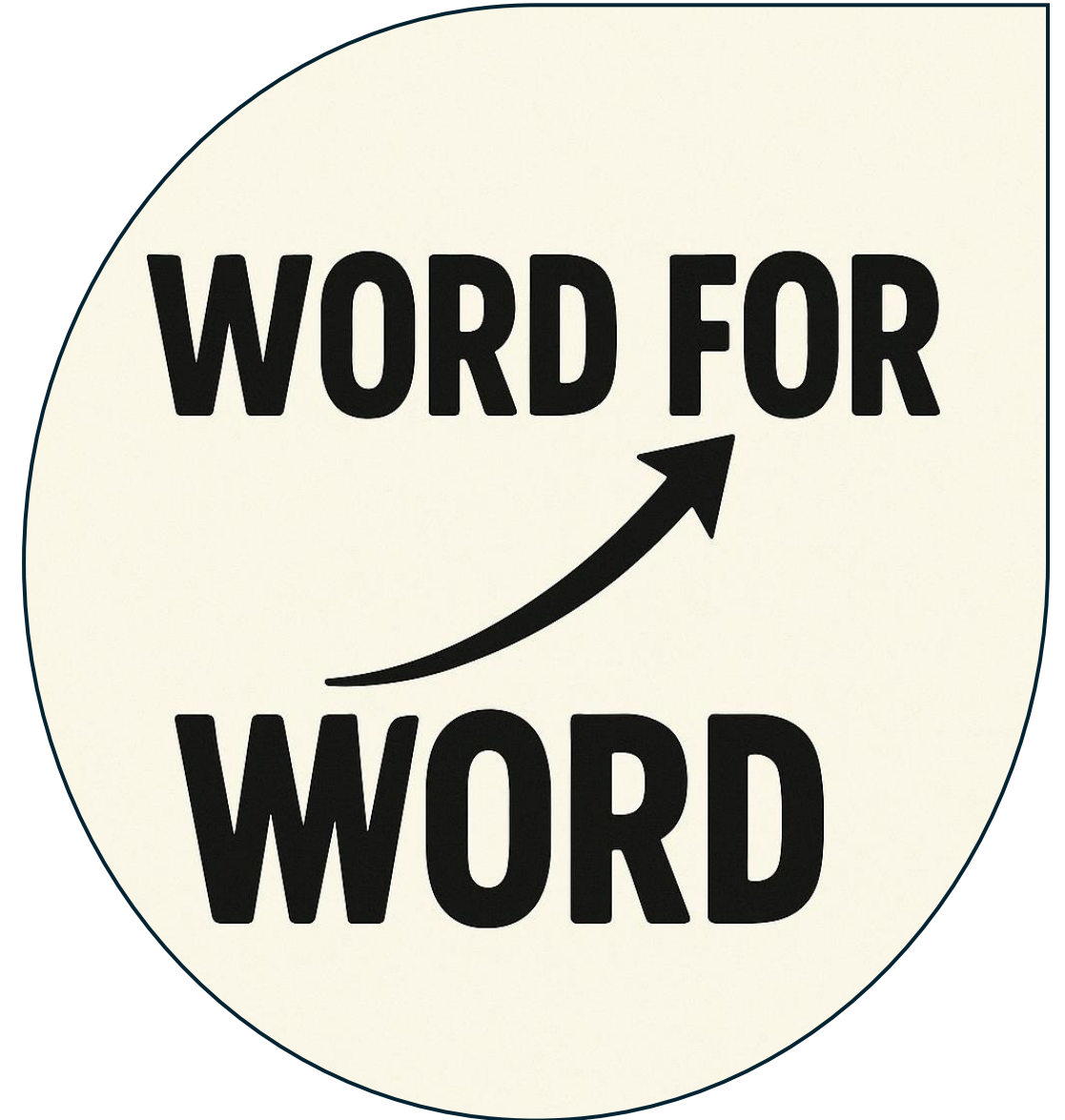




# word for word

 Exactly as it was said or written, without changing anything.

EX :She repeated what he said **word for word**.



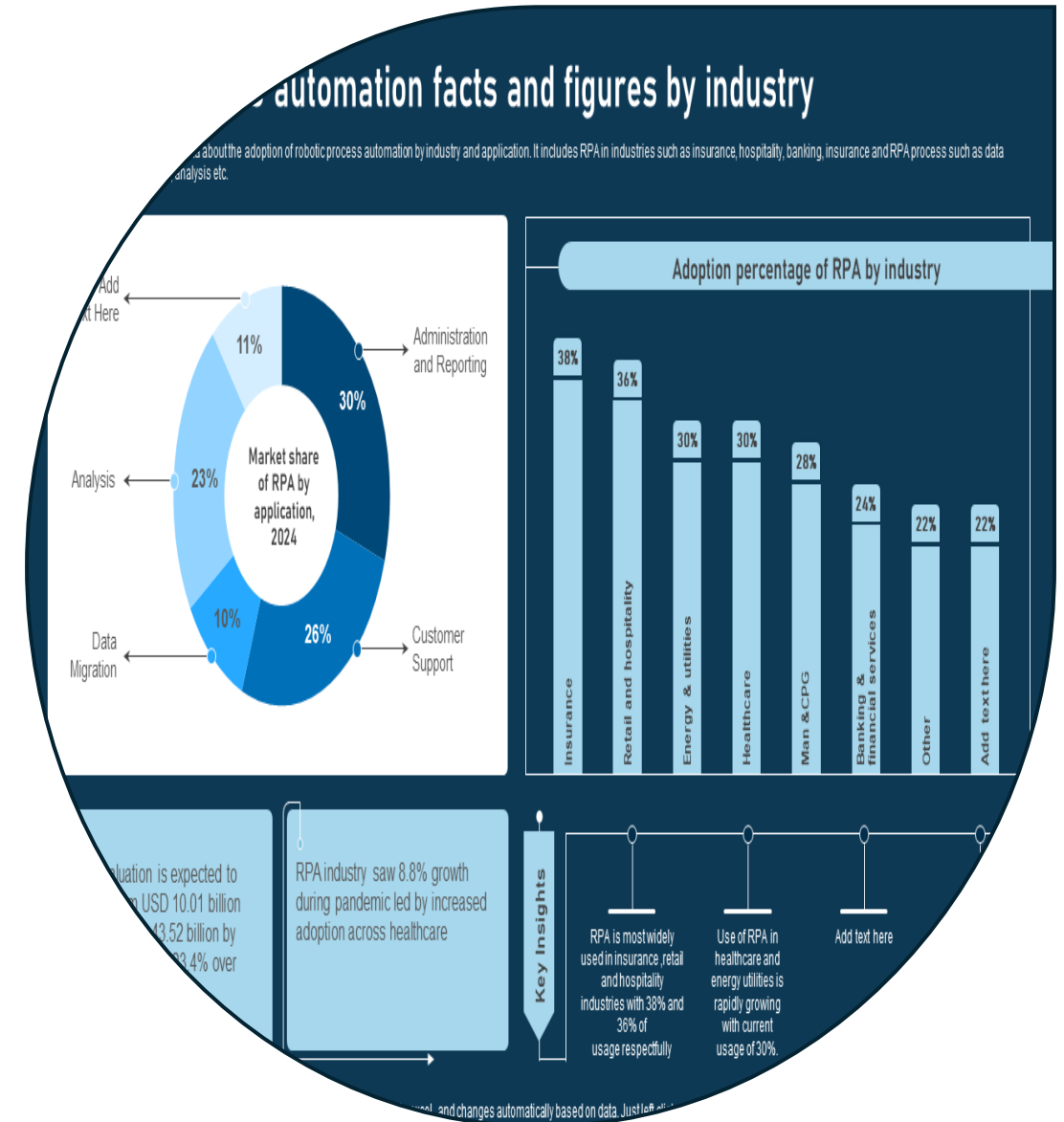


# FACTS AND FIGURES




Precise information, usually numerical data, used to support a point or decision.

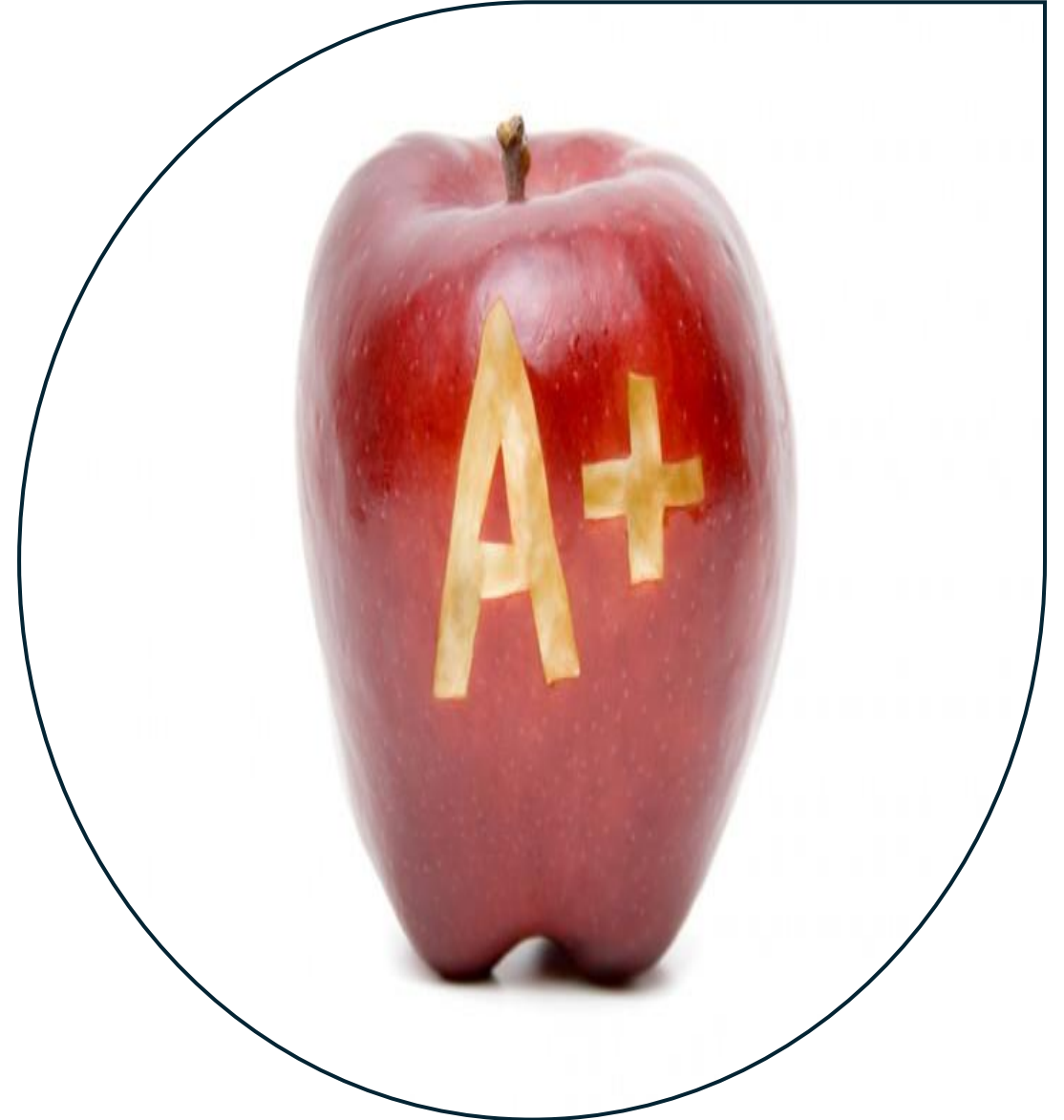
Before we make a decision, we need to look at the facts and figures.




# make the grade

 To meet the required standard or to succeed at something, especially when it's challenging or competitive.

She practiced hard but didn't **make the grade** for the national team.



# WASTE YOUR BREATH

 To say something that will be ignored, unappreciated, or have no effect — so it's pointless to even try.

Ex : Don't try convincing him — you're just wasting your breath.

