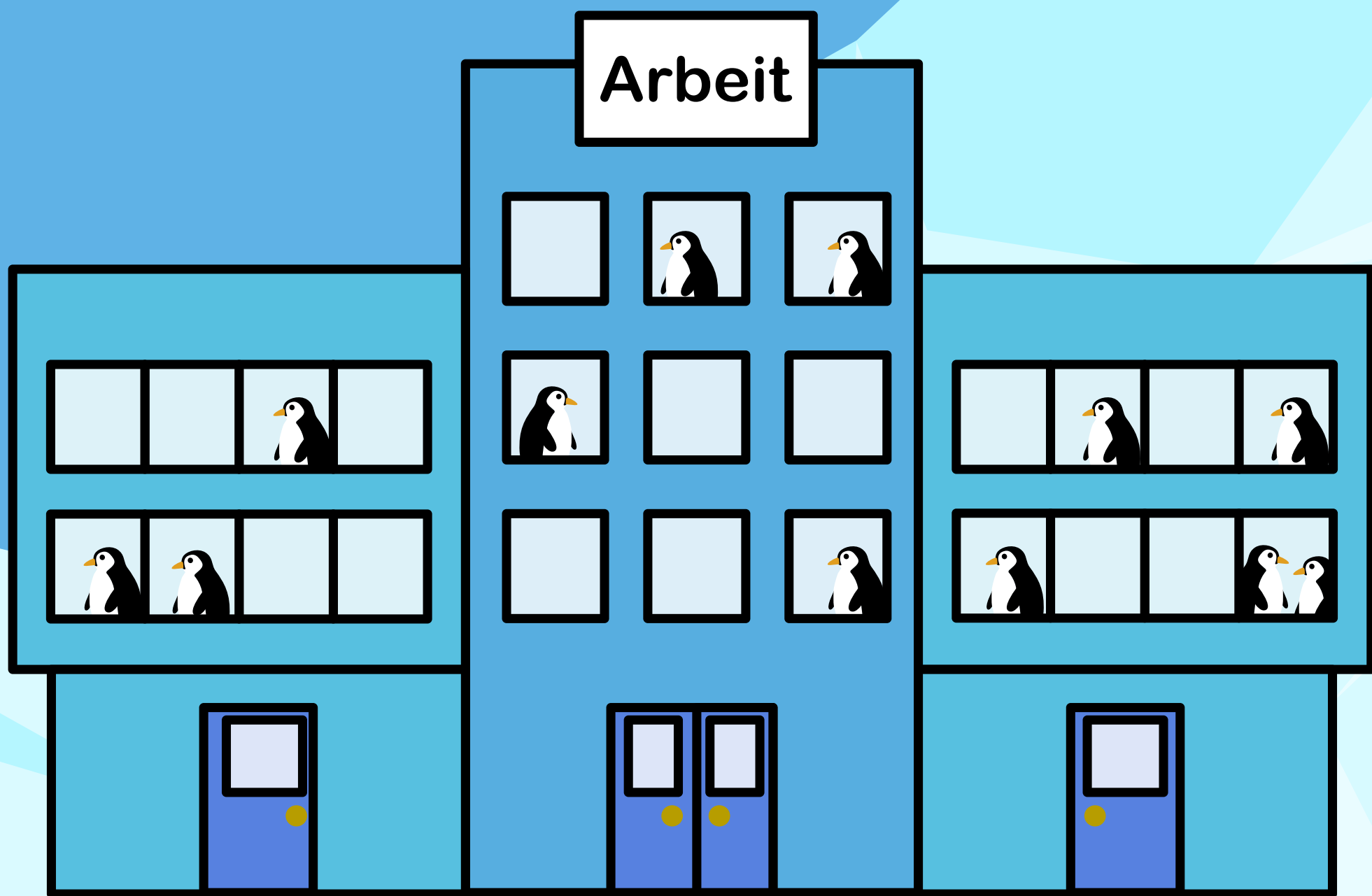


Pingi at work

German - English

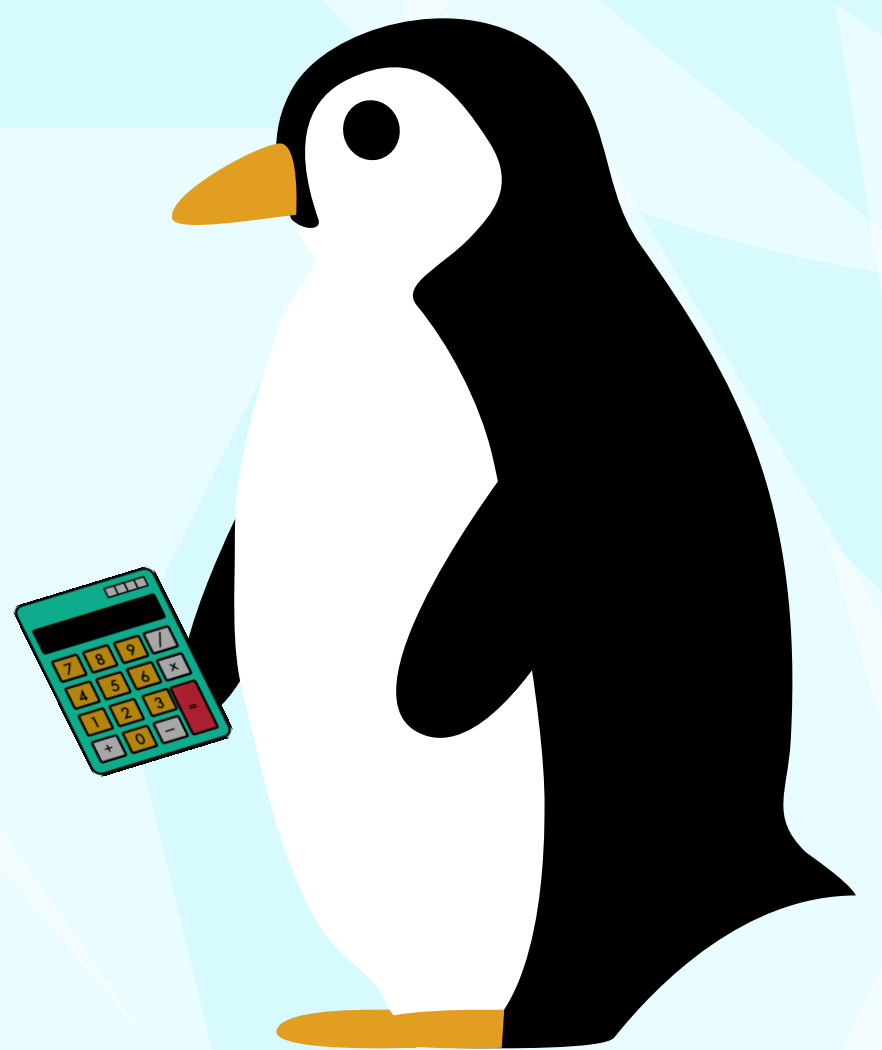


Today we visit

Pingi at work.

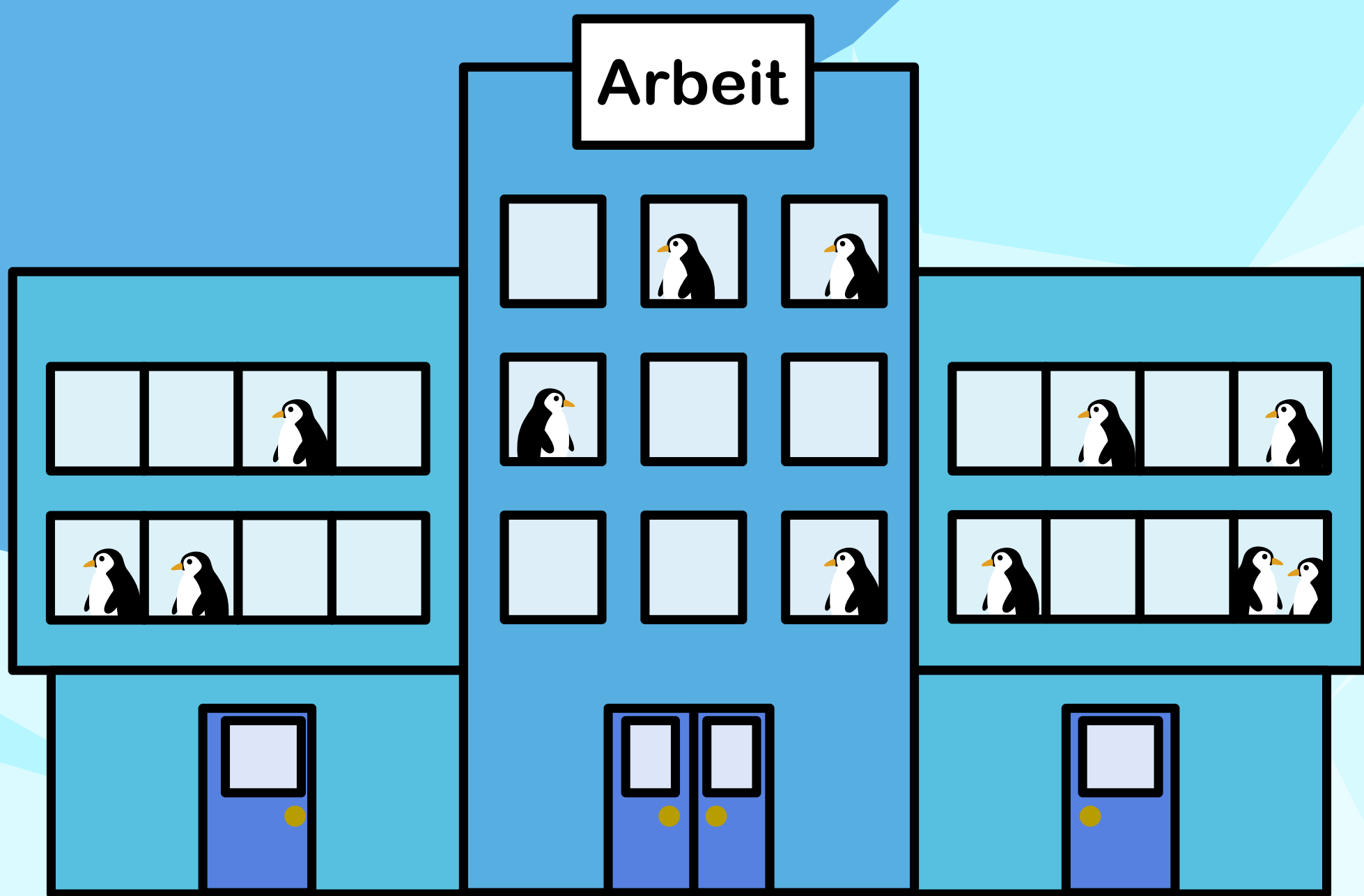
He is an accountant,

like all penguins.



Pingi at work

German - English



Heute besuchen wir

Today we visit

Pingi bei der Arbeit.

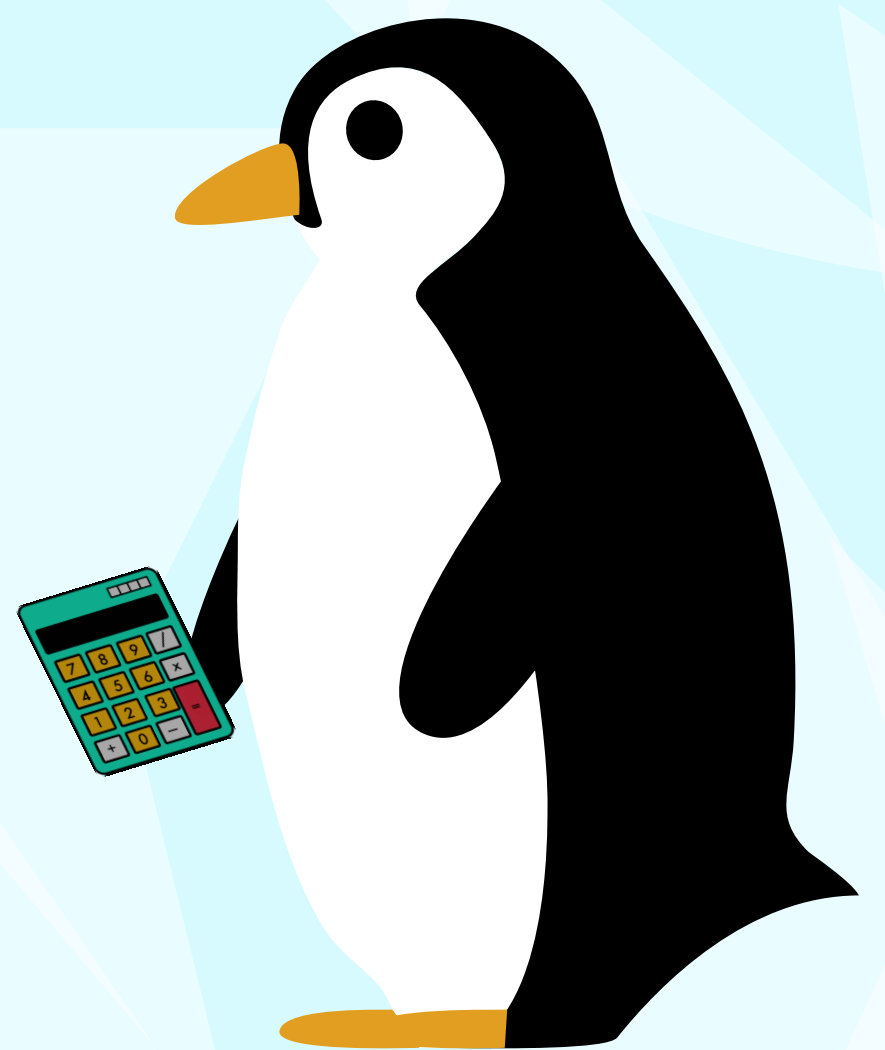
Pingi at work.

Er ist ein Buchhalter,

He is an accountant,

wie alle Pinguine.

like all penguins.



Penguins are the accountants

of all animals:

They help others do their taxes.

And check their

savings.



Pinguine sind die Buchhalter

Penguins are the accountants

unter den Tieren:

of all animals:

Sie helfen anderen, ihre Steuern zu bezahlen.

They help others do their taxes.

Und sie überprüfen ihre Ersparnisse.

And check their

savings.

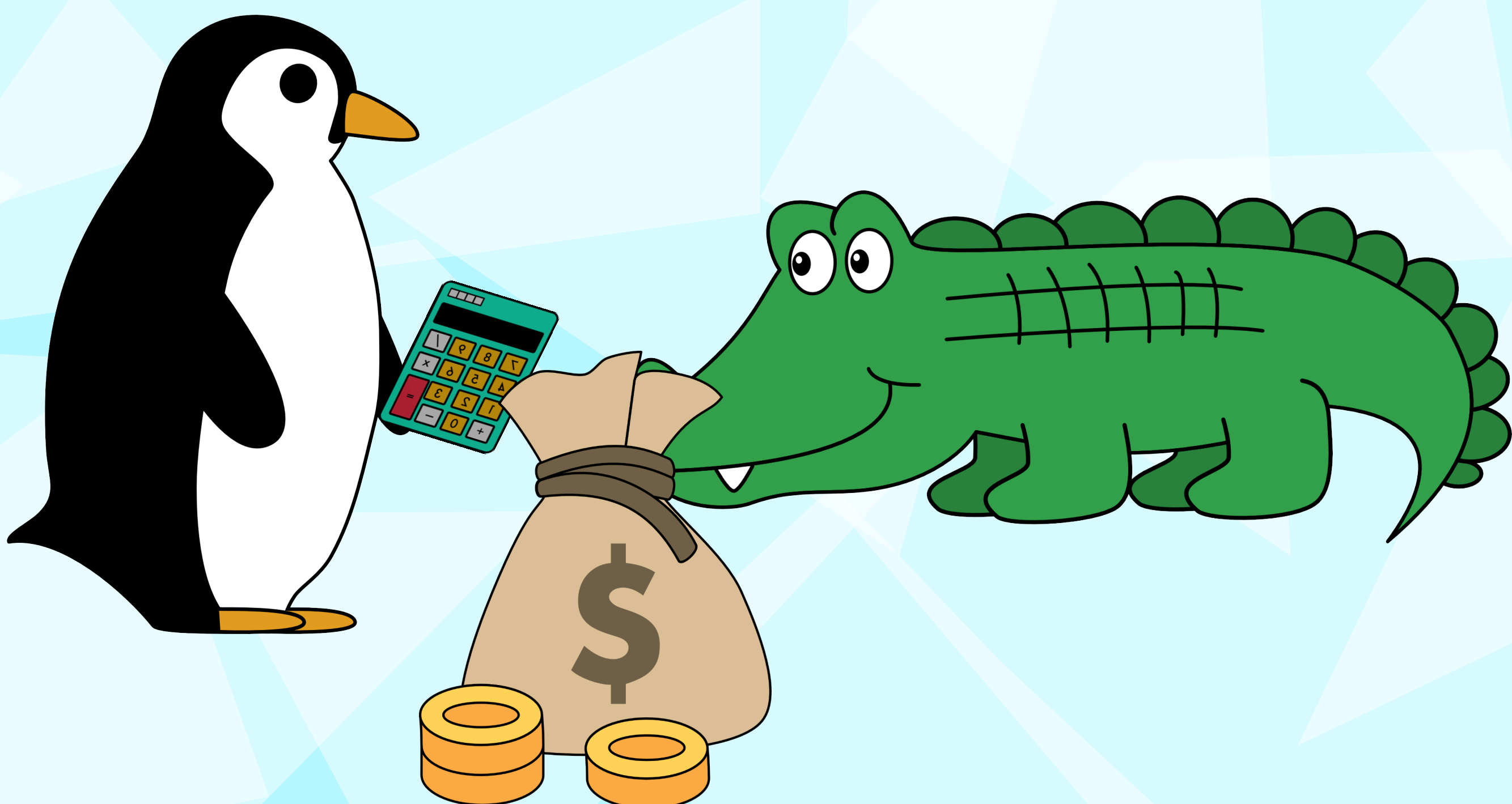


Crocodiles are great savers,

they never spend more

than they need

And they are very organised.

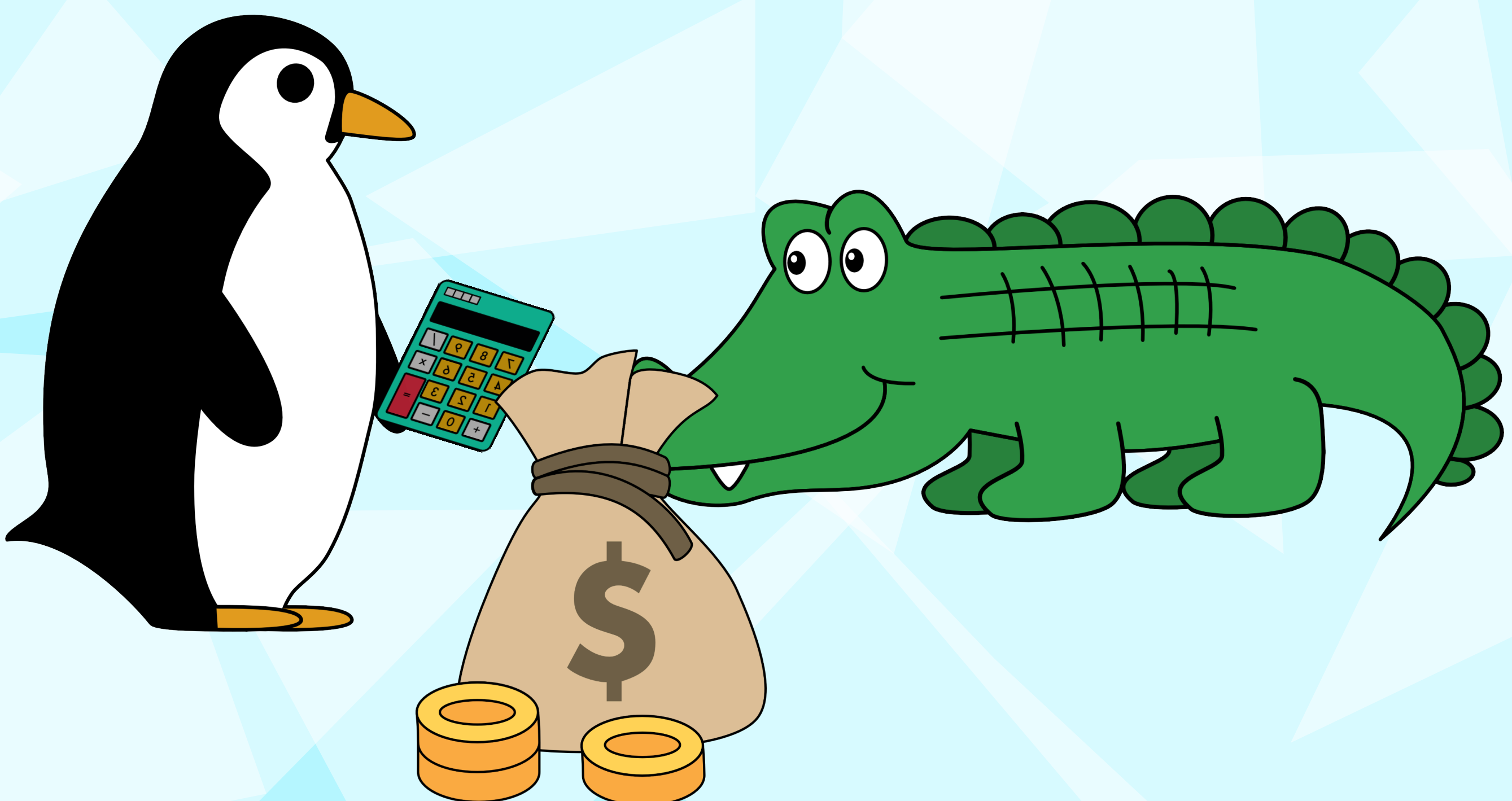


Krokodile sind große Sparfüchse,
Crocodiles are great savers,

sie geben nie mehr aus,
they never spend more

als sie brauchen
than they need

und sie sind sehr gut organisiert.
And they are very organised.



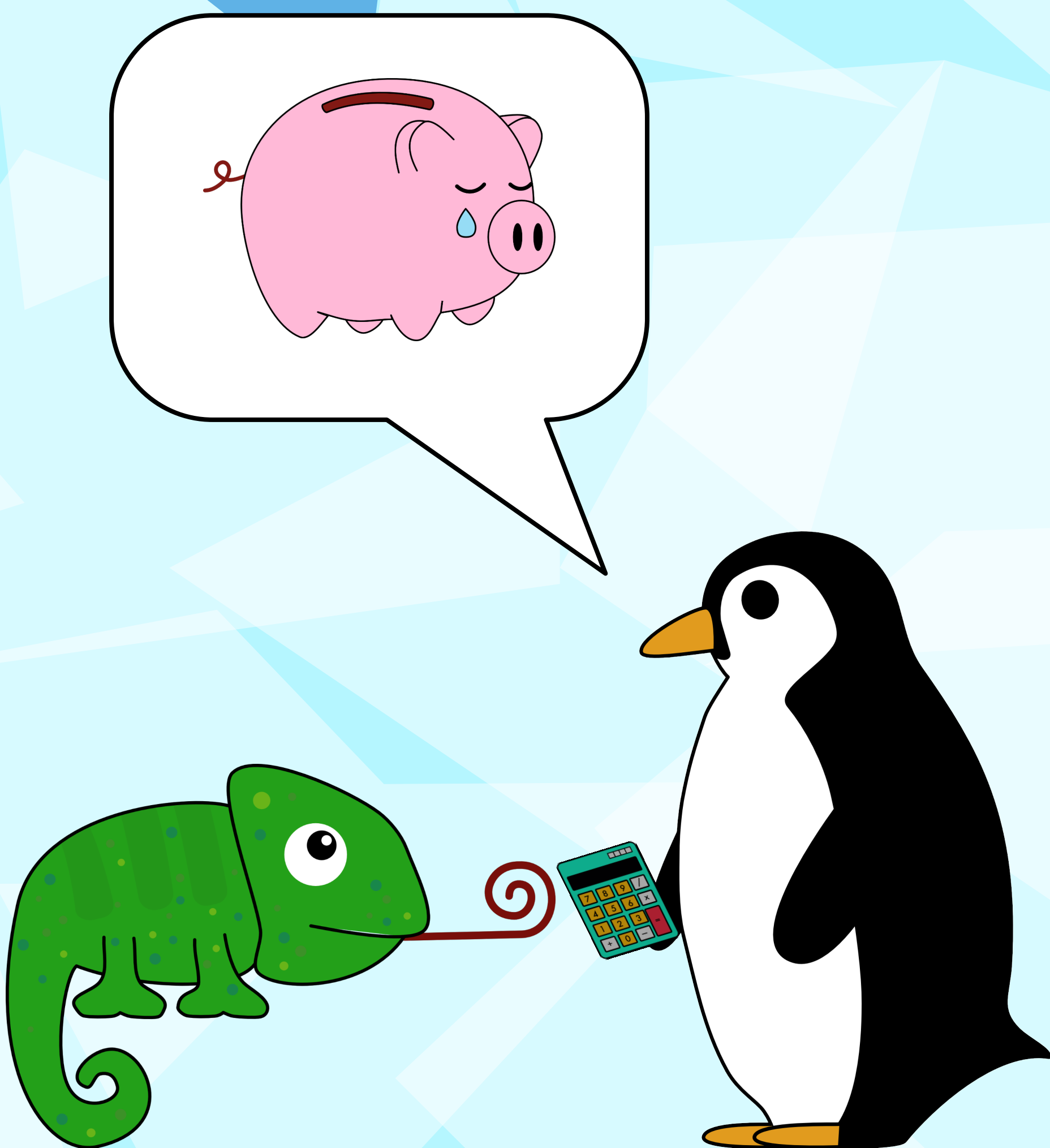
But like every year,

the chameleons made so many changes

to their accounts

that they didn't

save anything?



Aber wie jedes Jahr

But like every year,

haben die Chamäleons so viele
Änderungen

the chameleons made so many changes

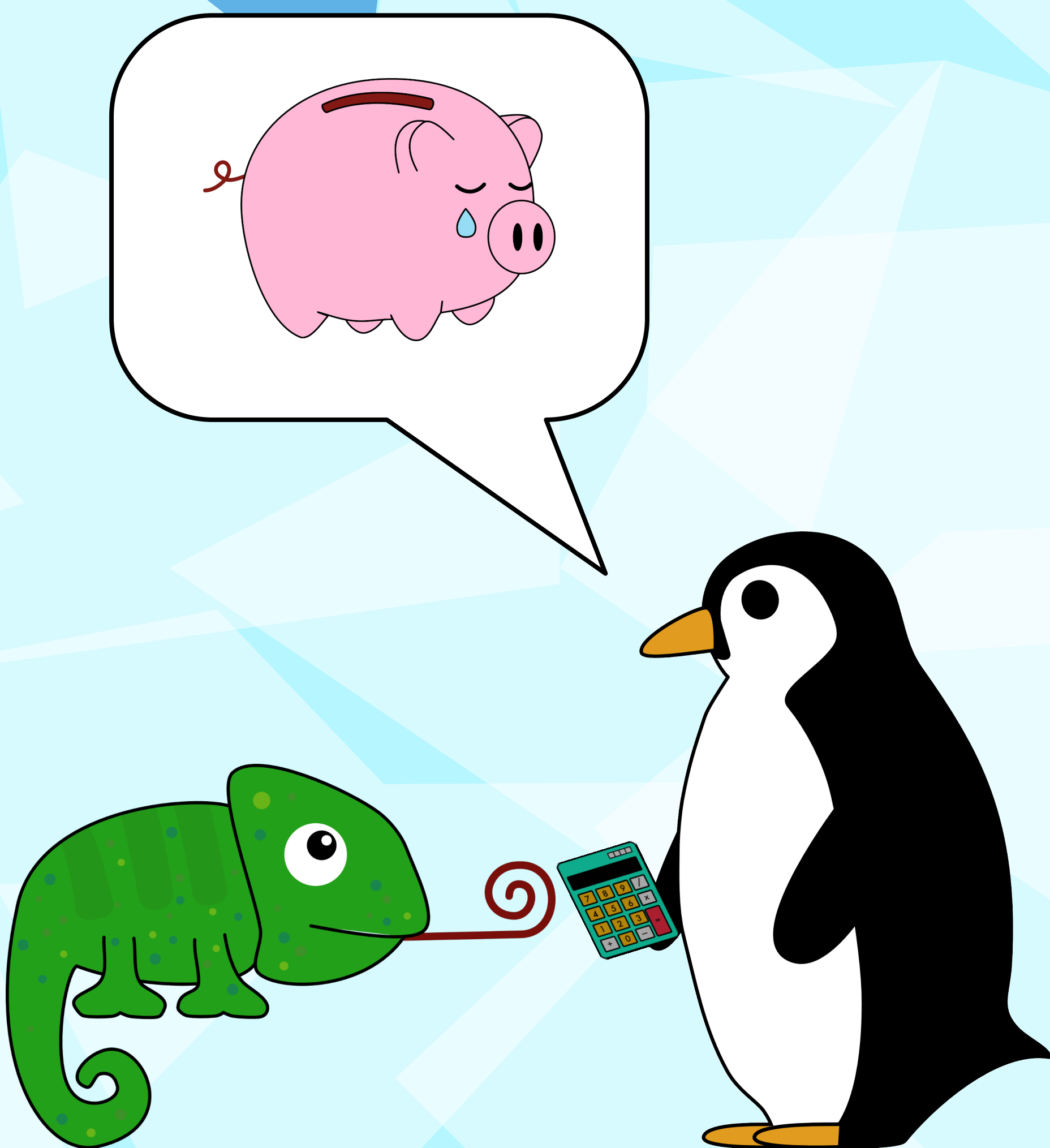
an ihren Konten vorgenommen,

to their accounts

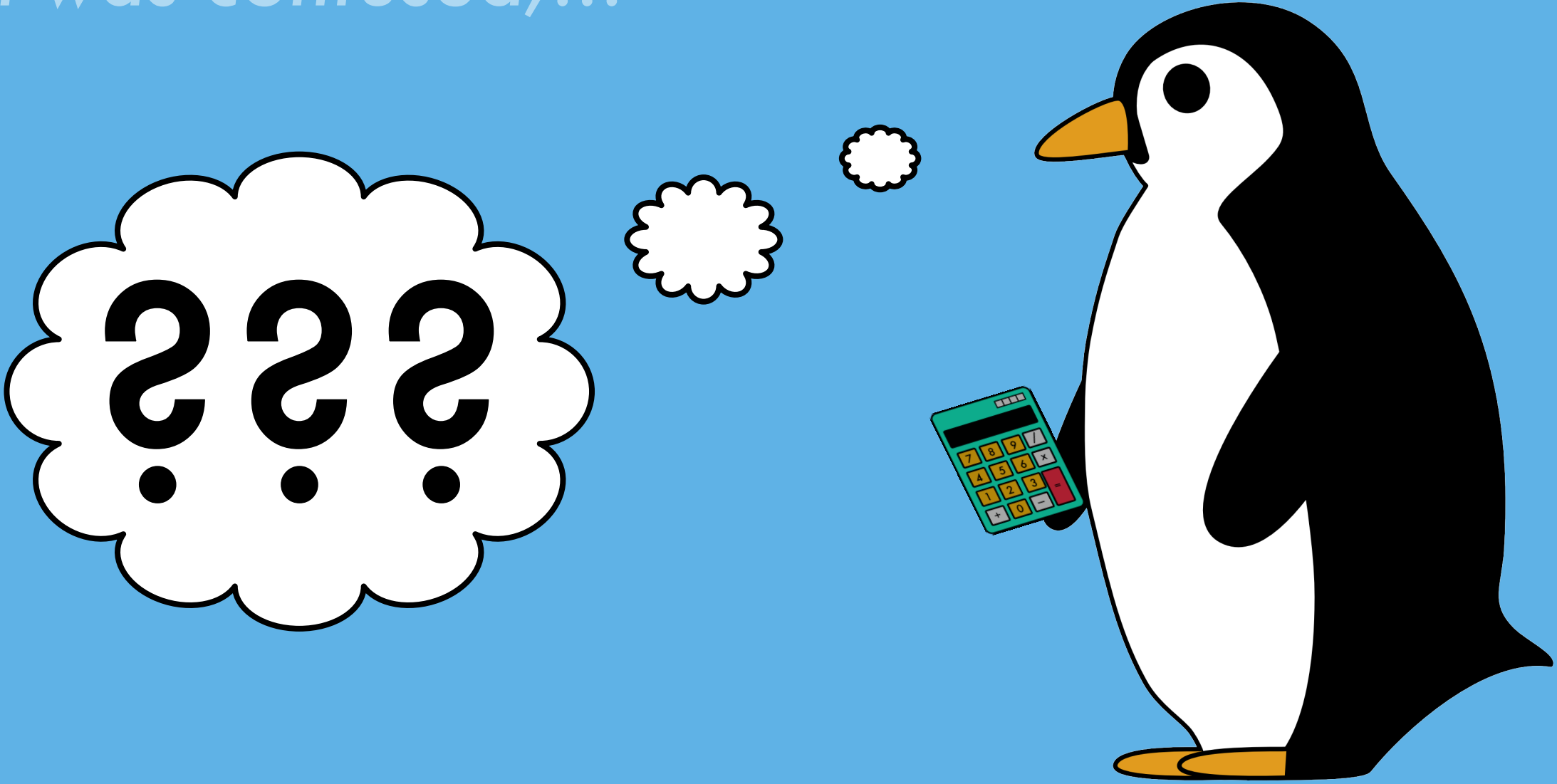
dass sie gar nichts gespart haben?

that they didn't

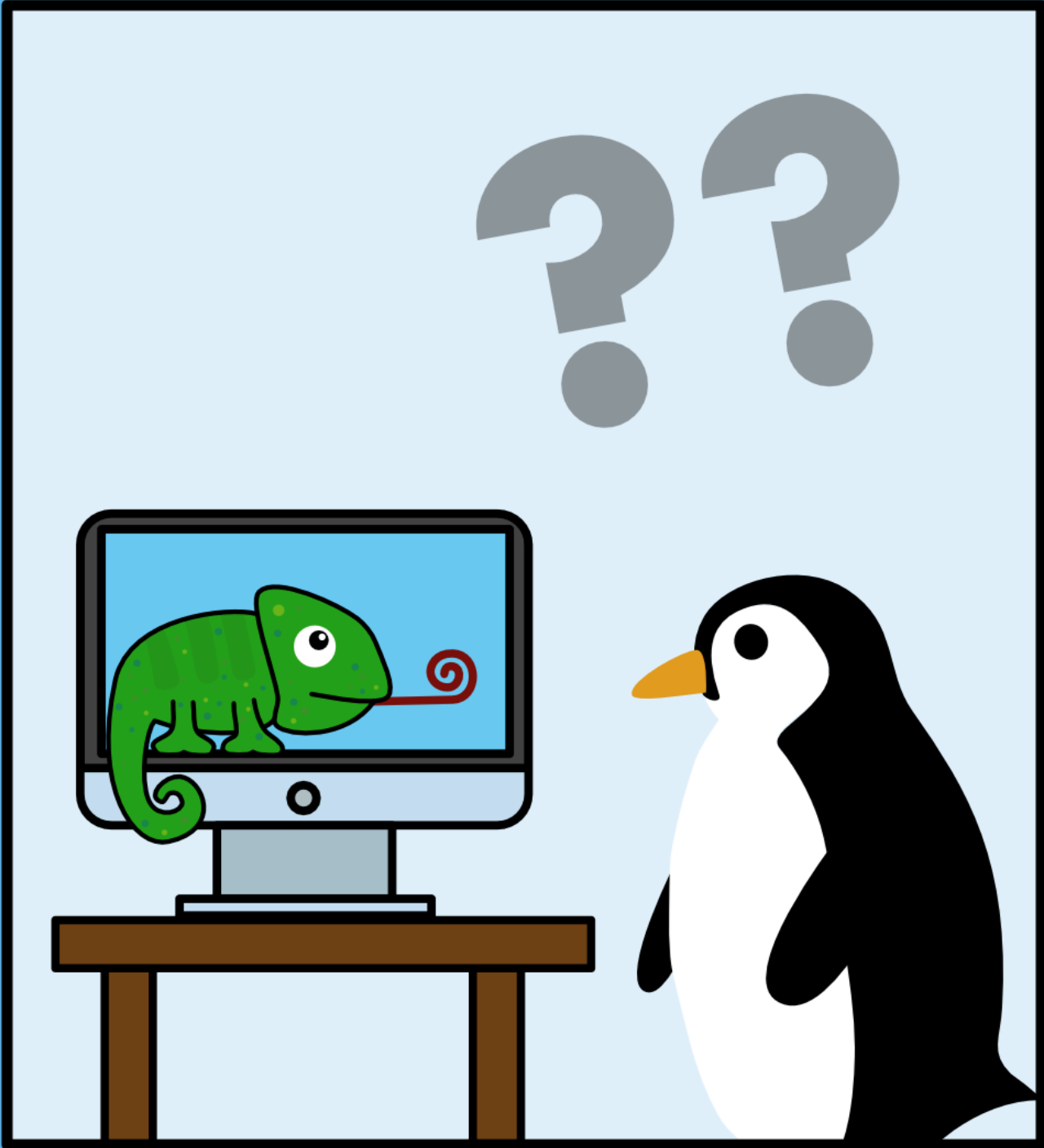
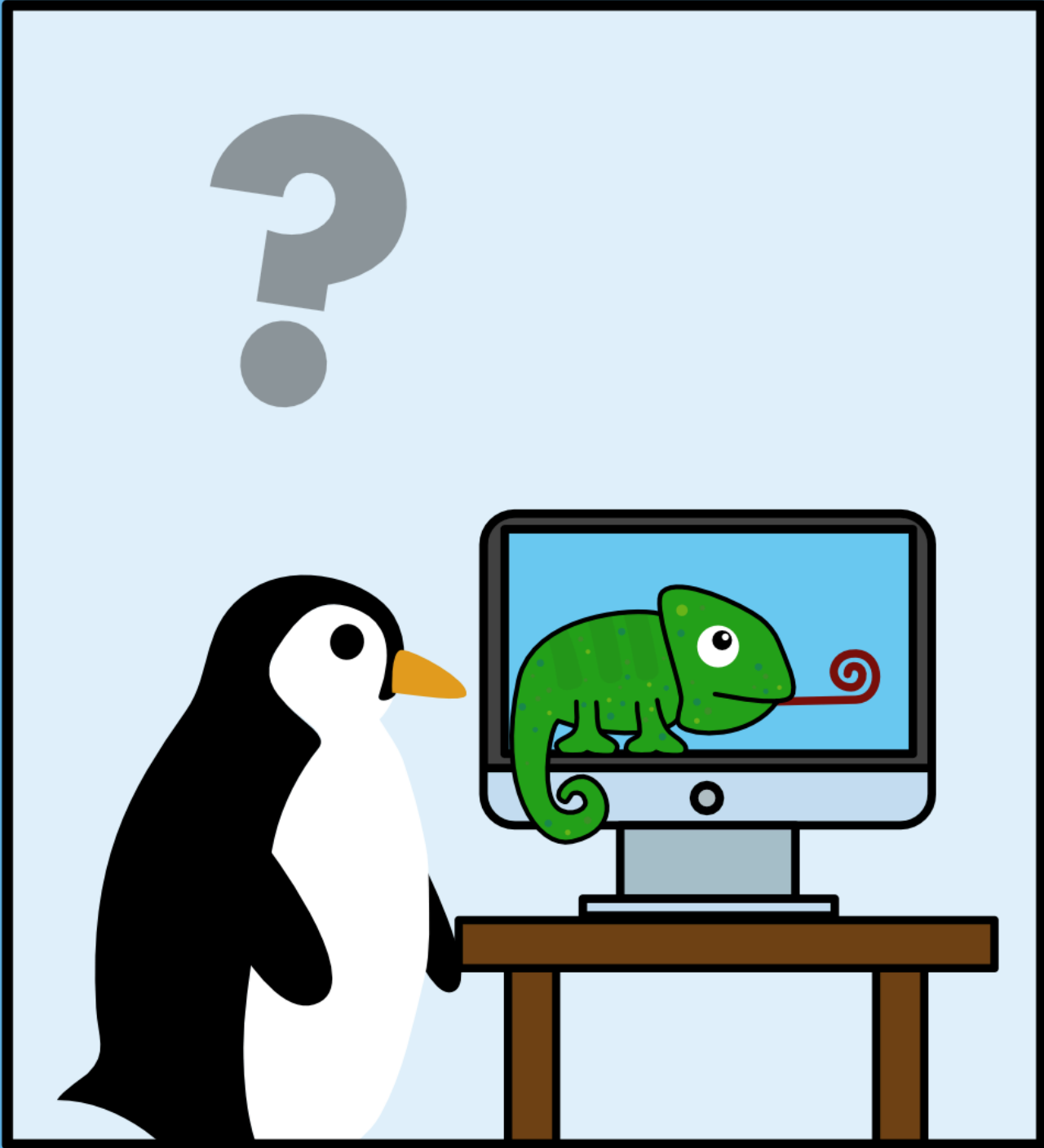
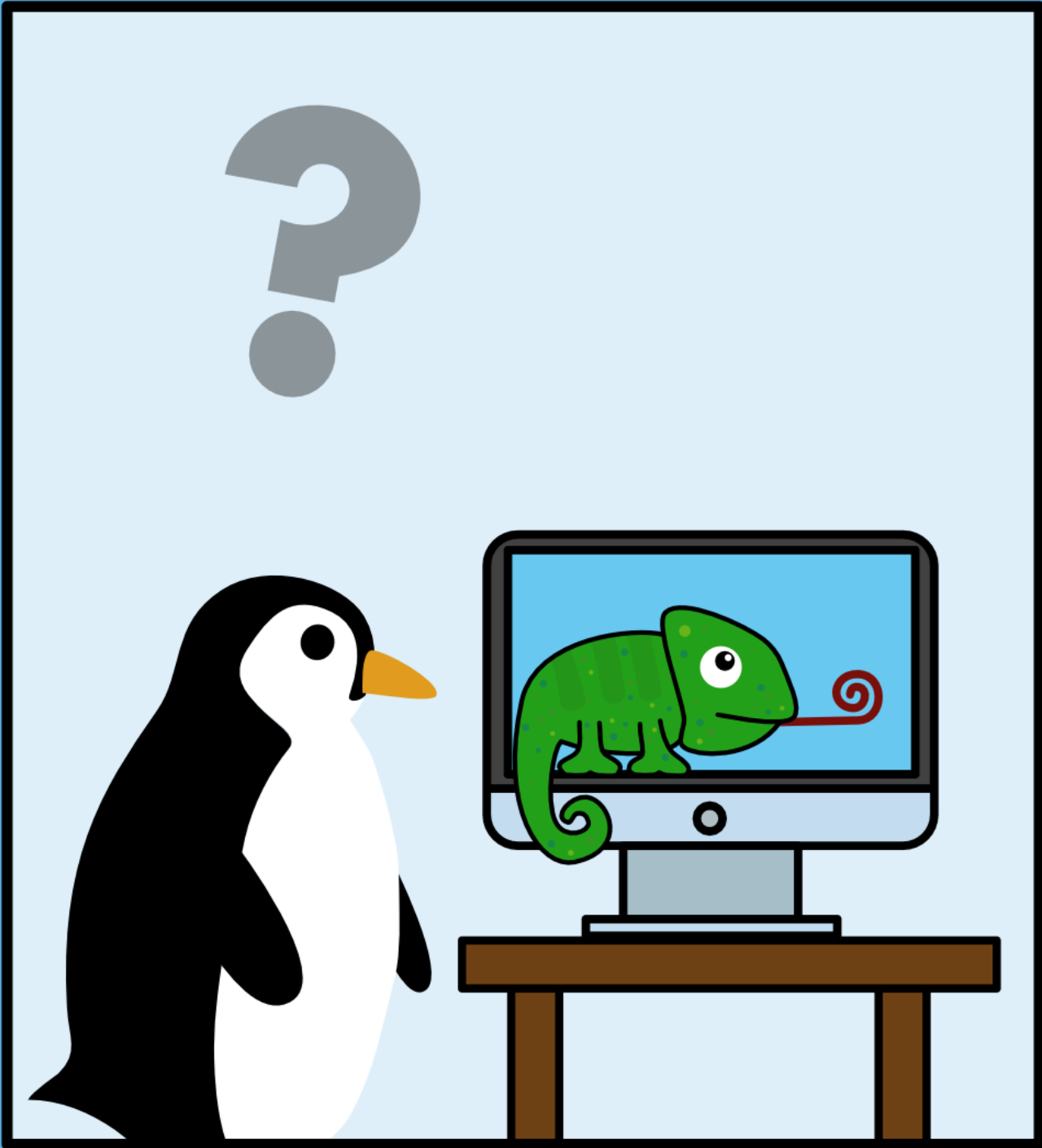
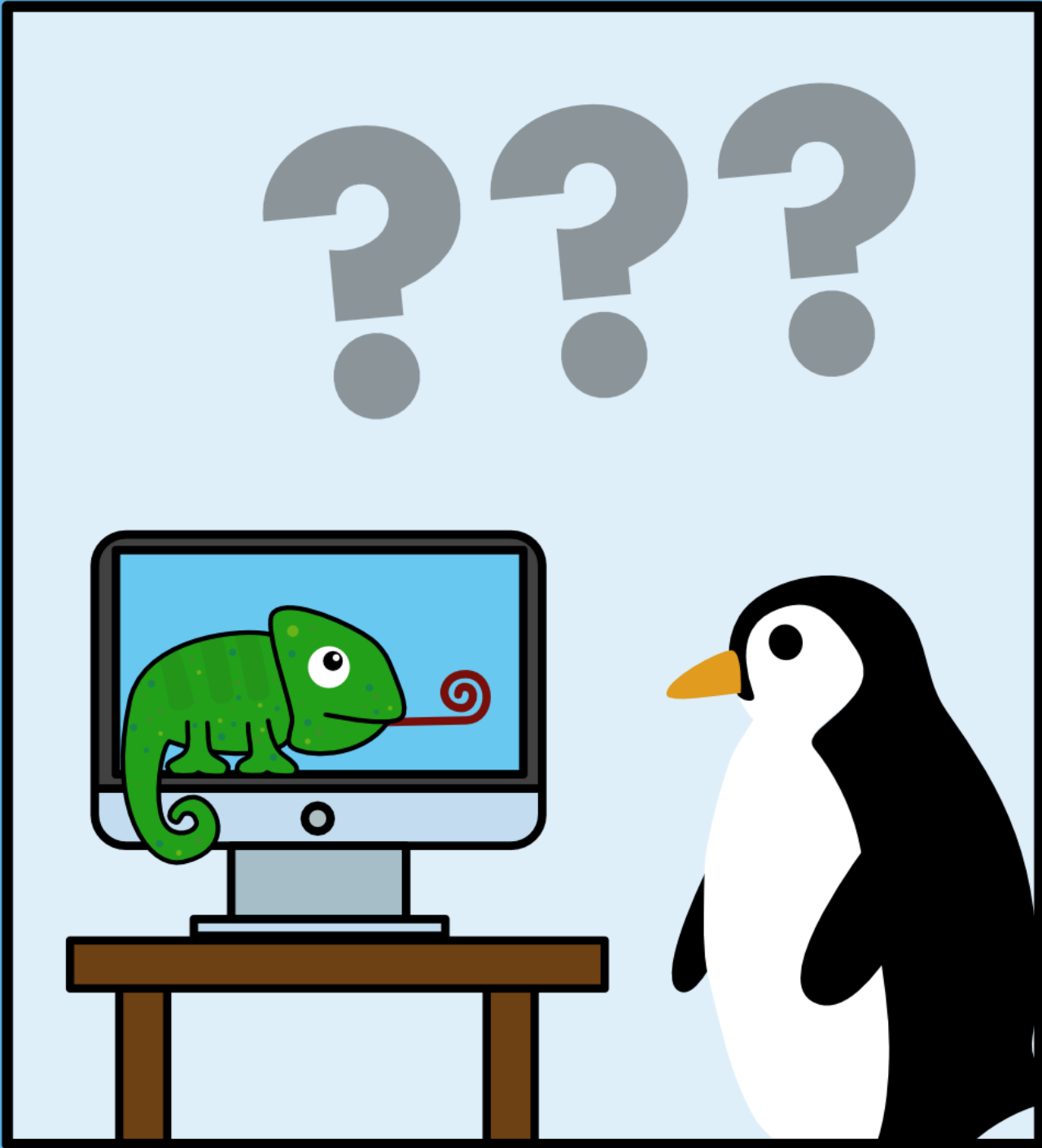
save anything?



Pingi was confused,...

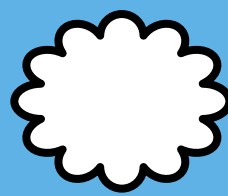


And he is not the only one.



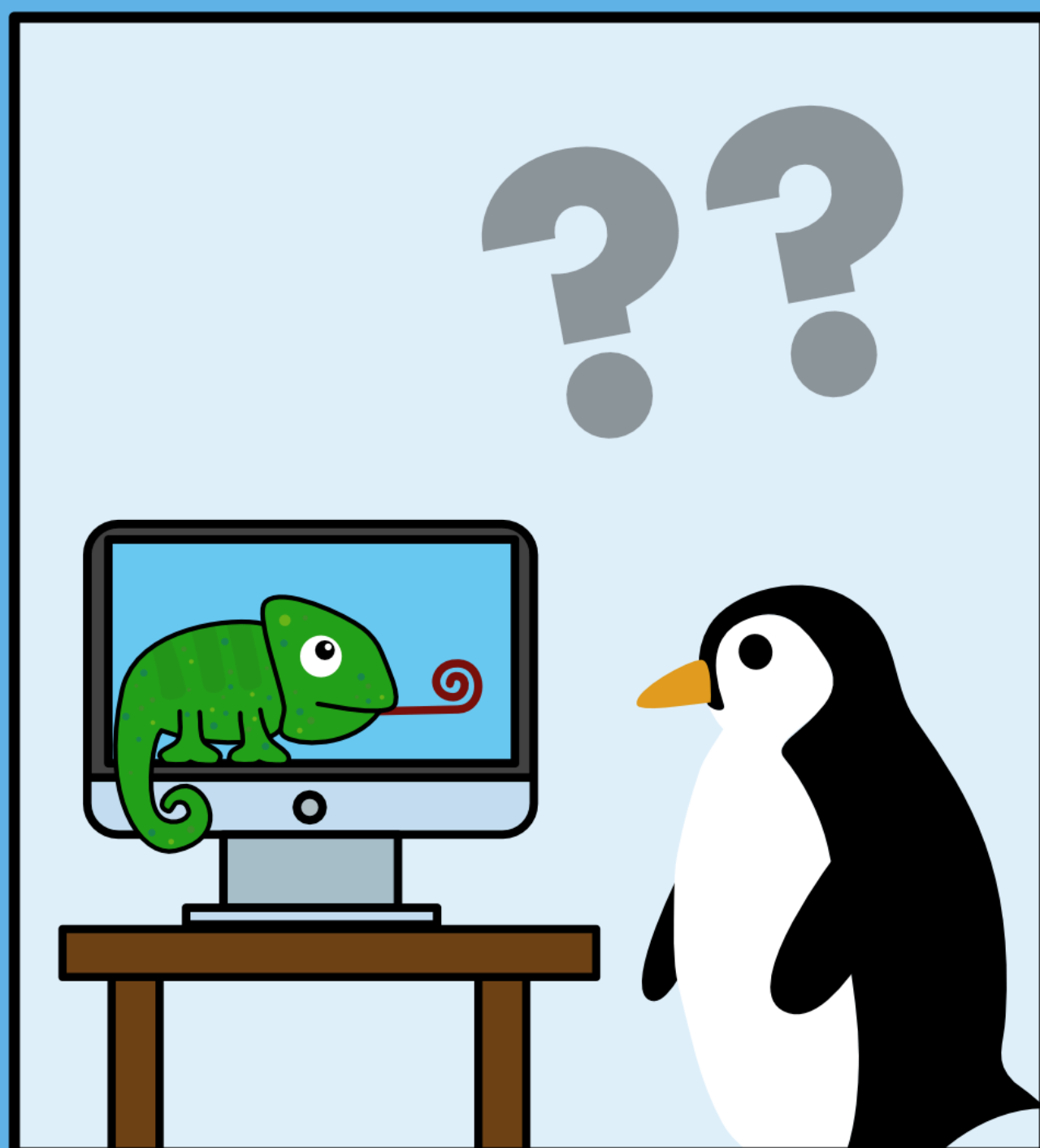
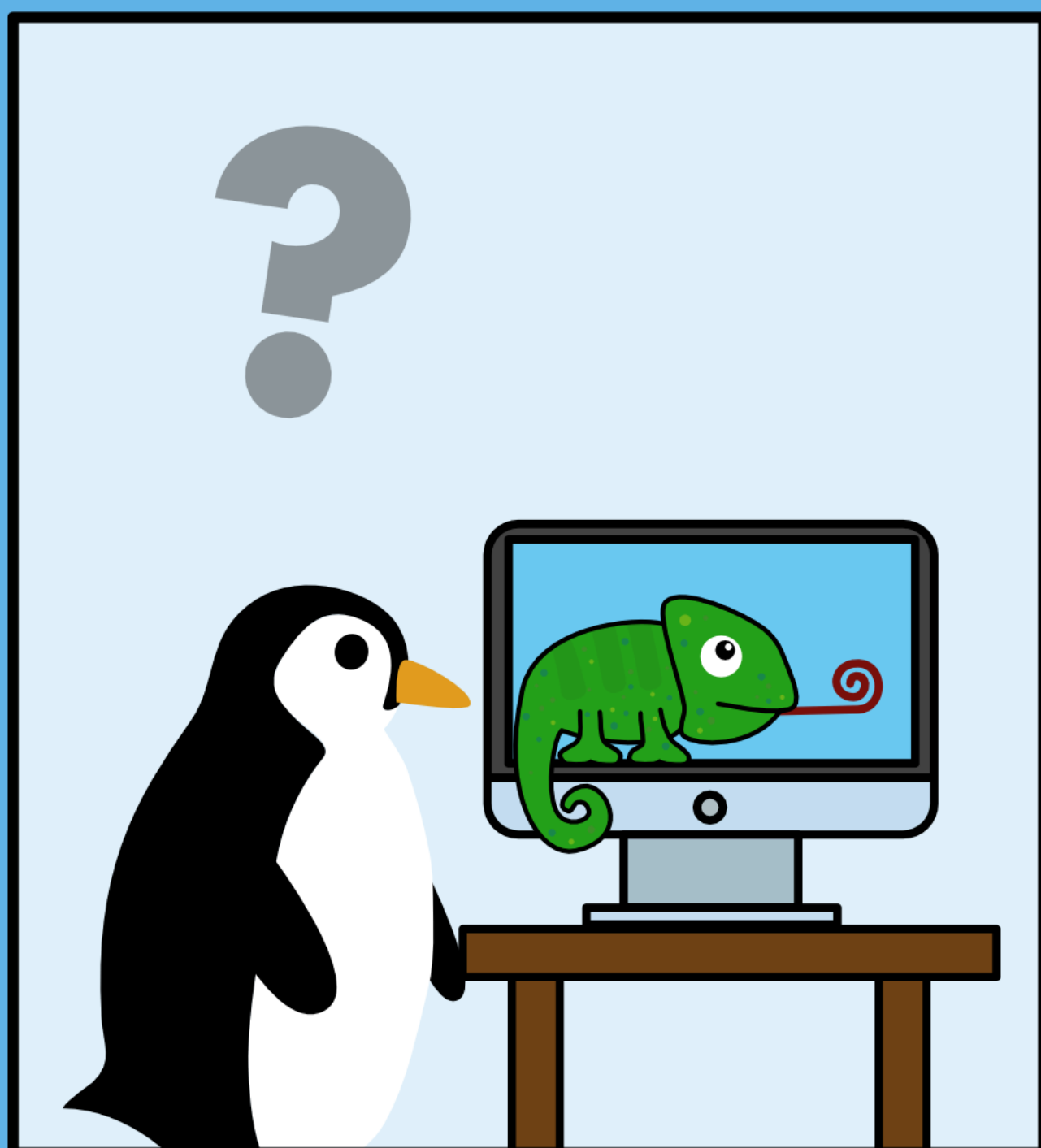
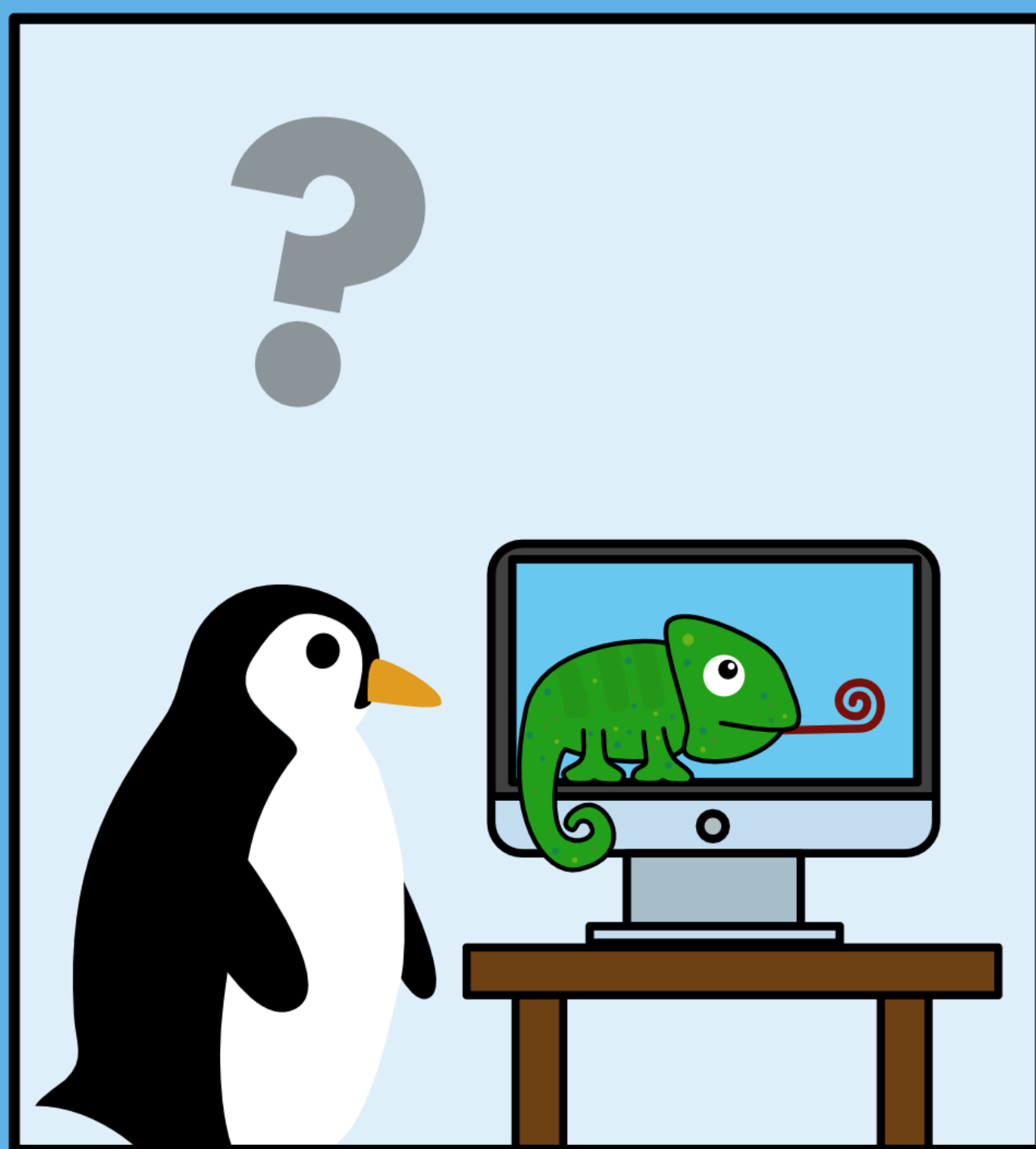
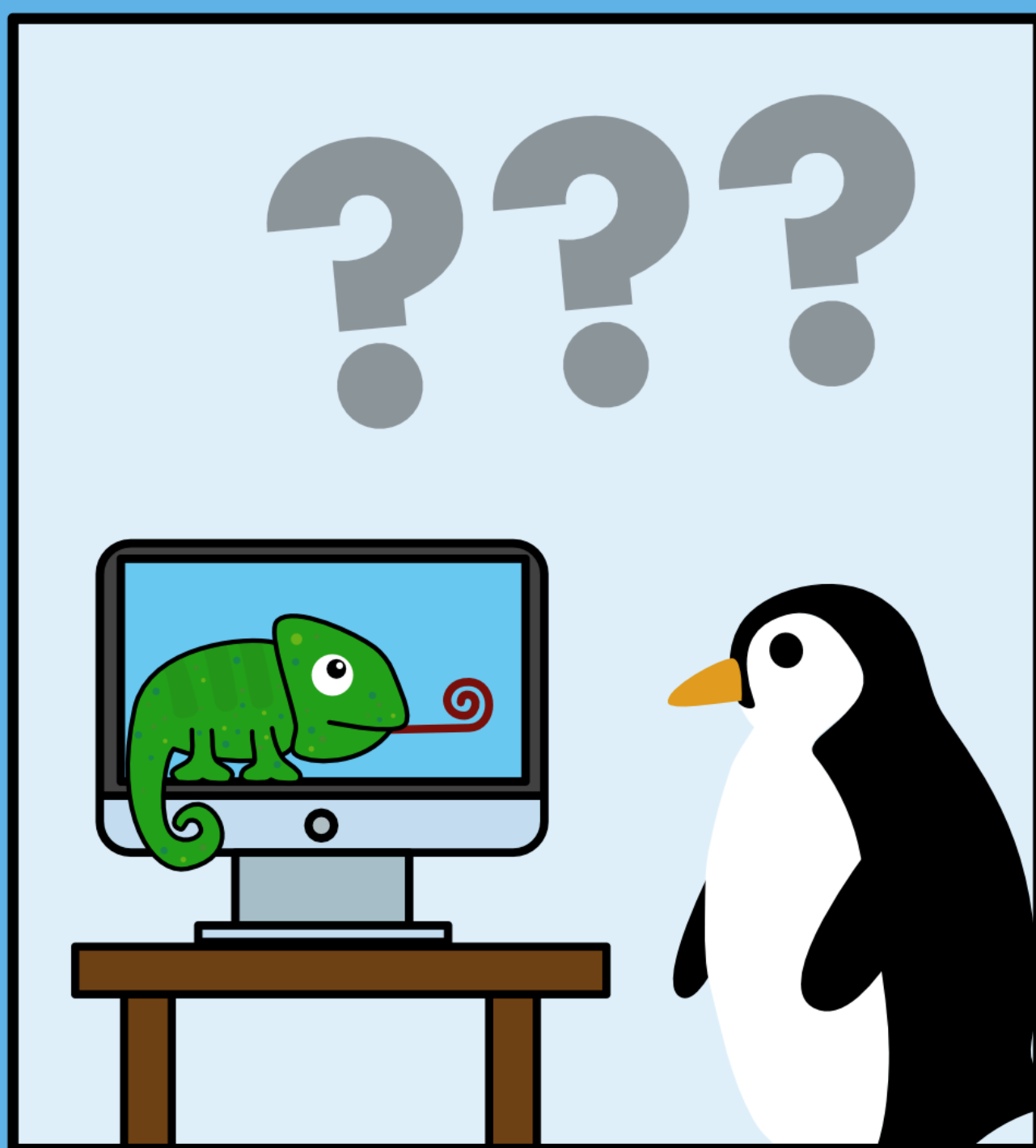
Pingi war verwirrt,...

Pingi was confused,...



und er ist nicht der Einzige.

And he is not the only one.



Grammar

Verb Tenses

Past Tenses (Vergangenheitsformen)

There are three past tenses in German:

1. Präteritum (Simple Past):

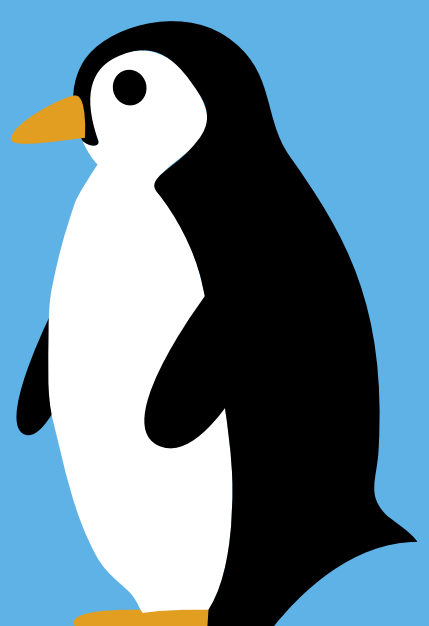
- Used for completed actions in the past
- Example:
"Ich **aß** ein Sandwich."
(I ate a sandwich.)

2. Perfekt (Present Perfect):

- Used for actions that have relevance to the present.
- Example:
"Ich **habe gefrühstückt**."
(I have eaten breakfast.)

3. Plusquamperfekt (Past Perfect):

- Used for actions that occurred before another past event.
- Example:
"Als ich nach Hause kam, **war er bereits gegangen**."
(When I got home, he had already left.)



Summary

Vocabulary

Substantiv

das Tier

die Tiere

die Ersparnisse

das Krokodil

das Chamäleon

die Änderung

der Einzige

Noun

the animal

the animals

the savings

the crocodile

the chameleon

the change

the only one

Verb

helfen

(Geld) ausgeben

Verb

help

spend (money)

Adjektiv

verwirrt

Adjective

confused



- Simple Past: "Ich **aß** ein Sandwich."
(*I ate a sandwich.*)
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