



Check Carefully Before You Buy

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When you are considering buying a farm, do not be too eager. Examine it carefully, and do not think that one visit is enough.

Cato the Elder

What does it mean?

Cato wrote about how to choose a farm. He advised buyers to visit it more than once and not decide too quickly. Excitement can hide important faults.

The same idea applies today to homes, businesses, and investments. A second review often reveals costs, risks, or unanswered questions that we missed at first. Looking for reasons not to buy helps us decide more calmly.

Put it into practice

- 01 Write down three reasons that support the purchase or decision.
- 02 Write down three reasons that argue against the purchase or decision.
- 03 Ask someone you trust to point out one possible error in your assessment.

YOUR TASK FOR TODAY

Choose one current decision. In five minutes, write one reason for it, one against it, and one unanswered question.

YOUR QUESTION

Which important question must you answer before you decide?