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## Day 10 - Porkfolio

*Never lose track of your spare change again.*



Spare change is one of the universal items that we all have in one shape or form. Whether we find it in our pockets, wallets, or between the sofa cushions, it's often hard to find a place to store let alone keep track of the amount of spare change you currently possess.

Enter Porkfolio, the “digitally connected” piggybank. With its “Internet of Things” methodology, the smart home device syncs with a mobile application from [Wink](#), who are in the smart home business, which allows you to track the amount of money contained within the piggy bank.

The application is available for both iOS and Android. To connect to Porkfolio simply activate the device's battery which will cause the pig's nose to light up and flash. Touch the nose to your phone's screen which will cause your phone to flash a code with Wi-Fi information that will allow you to connect to Porkfolio.

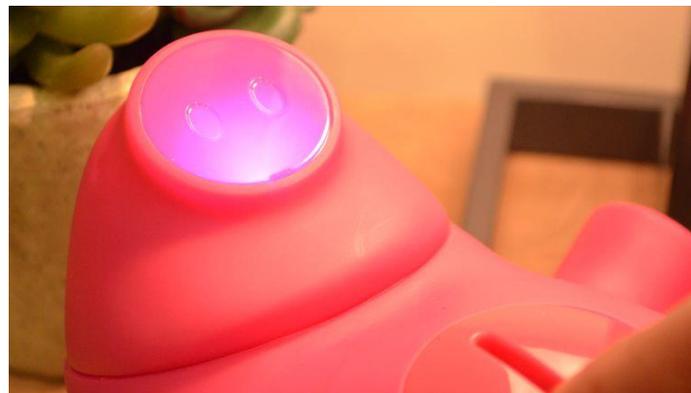
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Once connected, you can use Porkfolio like an ordinary piggybank. When inserting coins into the bank the pig's nose will light up indicating a deposit.

The bank's application will allow you to track the amount of money contained within the piggy bank. As you insert coins into the bank, the application automatically tallies the new amount letting the user know how much money is stored in the bank.

You are also able to customize your piggy bank. For example, the bank's flexible, plastic material means you can position it sitting up or lying down depending on your preference. You are also able to change the colour of the pig's nose when it lights up.



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The application also allows you to set parameters around your Porkfolio such as a “savings goal”. For example, say you want to save \$15.00 in your Porkfolio over a given month. The application will track your progress until you have reached your goal.

You are also able to set up alerts that will inform you if someone turns your Porkfolio upside down (presumably to get the money that is inside) or when it has been moved.

With all of these features comes a low price. Currently it costs **\$22.99** (USD) on Amazon.



A creative device, it makes a great gift for kids as it gives them the opportunity to learn about money and is also a great toy to store their allowance and hard earned money.

So say goodbye to couch cushions and say hello to Porkfolio!

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