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The Boy Who Cried Wolf

Once upon a time, in a peaceful village, there lived a young shepherd boy. His task was to watch over the flock of sheep that grazed on the nearby hills. One day, feeling bored and seeking some excitement, the boy got a mischievous idea.

He climbed up a small hill, where he could see the entire village, and shouted at the top of his lungs, "Wolf! Wolf! There's a wolf attacking the sheep!"

Hearing his cries, the villagers rushed out of their houses with concern. They asked the boy, "Where's the wolf?"

Laughing, the boy replied, "There's no wolf! I was just playing a prank on you!"

The villagers, annoyed at being deceived, returned to their homes, scolding the boy for his dishonesty. The boy found their reactions amusing and decided to repeat the prank again a few days later.

Once again, he climbed the hill, shouted, "Wolf! Wolf! Help!", and once again, the villagers came running to his rescue, only to find that it was another false alarm.

Finally, a few days later, a real wolf did approach the flock. The boy panicked and screamed for help, "Wolf! Wolf! Please help, it's attacking the sheep!"

However, this time, the villagers thought it was another prank and ignored his cries, believing that he was trying to deceive them once more. Sadly, the wolf attacked the sheep, and the boy learned a painful lesson about the consequences of his lies.

Questions

1. Who is the main character in the fable "The Boy Who Cried Wolf"?
2. What was the boy's task in the village?
3. Why did the boy climb the hill and shout for help?
4. How did the villagers react to the boy's cries of a wolf the first two times?
5. What happened when a real wolf approached the flock?

