

# A Lesson on The Boy Who Cried Wolf! by Savannah Claro

Grade Level: Grade 3 Subject Area: English Language Arts Lesson Length: 1 hour 30 minutes Lesson Keywords: Boy who cried wolf lesson Lesson Description: Students will read "The boy who cried wolf".

#### **Common Core Standards Covered with This Lesson**

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CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.1: Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.4: Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.10: By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2?3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.1: Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.3.1: Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.3.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

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CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.3.1: Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others? ideas and expressing their own clearly.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.4a: Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

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### Lesson Content: Book/Story/Reading Passage

**Instructions**: Please read the following reading passage as many times as needed (aloud and silent) before starting to go through other lesson pages. Understanding the content of this passage is very important since the lesson activities will be all about this content. Feel free to print the passage if needed.

# The Boy Who Cried Wolf!

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**Content**: There was once a boy who lived in a village up in the mountains. His family owned?many sheep. The boy had a job, and that job was to watch the sheep. If a wolf came near, he?needed to call for help. His sheep stayed on a hill near the village where he watched them?every day.?

One day, he thought of a trick he could play on the people who lived in the village.?He was bored, so he thought this would be a way to have fun. He ran toward the village?crying out loudly for help.?

He shouted, Wolf! Wolf! Come and help! The wolves are at my lambs! The wolves? are trying to eat them!?

There were many villagers in the town. They heard him crying and thought that they?had to help. So, the kind villagers left their work and ran to the field to help him. They?would try to help him chase away the wolves and protect his lambs. However, when the?villagers got there, the boy laughed at them. There was no wolf there. He just wanted to?watch them come running! He thought it was funny.?

Then another day the boy tried the same trick. Once again, the villagers came?running to help him out, and once again the boy laughed at them.?

Then, one day, a wolf really did come and it started chasing the lambs. In great?fright, the boy ran for help. Wolf! Wolf! he screamed. There is a wolf! Help! Please!?Help! Please!?

All the villagers heard him, but this time they did not come. They thought he was?pulling another mean trick. They had learned their lesson and did not need to be laughed at?again. So, no one paid attention to him and the shepherd-boy lost all his sheep they all ran?away.?

When people in the village found out what had happened, they were sorry, but they?told the boy it was his fault. That is the kind of thing that happens to people who lie. Even?when they tell the truth, no one believes them. People are just so used to their lies.

### Task 1: Vocabulary

**Instructions**: Please complete the following vocabulary activity by choosing the correct meaning of each word selected from the passage and use of each word correctly in a sentence.

Q: 1 WordPhrase: "In great fright, the boy ran for help." WordPhraseTier: 2

Question: What does the word "fright" mean in this sentence?

A: The boy was really scared.

**B**: The boy was happy.

C: The boy was sad.

D: The boy was lonely.

Question: Which of the sentences below correctly uses the word "fright"?

A: When I was walking down the street I found a twenty dollar bill on the street which made me feel fright.

**B**: I felt fright, my parents left me by myself at home.

C: After I picked up the twenty dollar bill someone ran past me and stole it, then I felt fright.

D: When I left the bathroom, my brother was waiting for me and jumped out to scare me. In fright, I screamed.

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Task 2: Writing Activity Instructions: You are to write and post here a 500 words essay on if you've ever lied to someone. State why you decided to do it. Then state if after you lied if there were any consequences.

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### Task 3: Forum Discussion

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Instructions: This discussion forum will have questions for students to respond. Read the posted questions, and respond to each. Students are responsible for posting one initial and and two peer responses for each topic.
1 - Why does the boy cry wolf?
Why does the boy cry wolf when the wolves aren't there? Do you think this was a bad idea??

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