



A Lesson on The Boy Who Cried Wolf! by Parker Barrow

Grade Level: Grade 3

Subject Area: English Language Arts

Lesson Length: 45 minutes

Lesson Keywords: honesty

Lesson Description: I will teach my students the importance of why it isn't funny to lie and the abuse the trust of those close to you.

Common Core Standards Covered with This Lesson

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.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.RI.3.2: Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.4: Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

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

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.3.1b: Provide reasons that support the opinion.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.3.8: Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.

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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.

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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: Lie **WordPhraseTier:** 2

Question: "That is the kind of thing that happens to people who lie."
What does it mean to lie?

- A:** To pull a prank.
- B:** To not tell the truth.
- C:** Feed wolves.
- D:** Raise Lambs

Question: Which of the following sentences are a lie?

- A:** The Sky is blue.
 - B:** You have 5 fingers on each hand.
 - C:** Pigs can fly.
 - D:** Cats go meow.
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Q: 2 WordPhrase: Fault **WordPhraseTier:** 2

Question: "When people in the village found out what had happened, they were sorry, but they told the boy it was his fault."
What does the word Fault mean when used in this sentence?

- A:** It was the boy's farm.
- B:** The boy helped the village.
- C:** The boy did good pulling his pranks.
- D:** The boys is to blame for his sheep running away.

Question: Which one of sentences below is a good example of someone at "fault?"

- A:** A man walked outside and got struck by lightning.
 - B:** A person was driving and they encounter a duck crossing.
 - C:** A hurricane happens and a tree falls on someone's house.
 - D:** A painter is painting someone's house and they leave a room unfinished.
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Task 2: Forum Discussion

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 - Importance of being truthful.

Why is it important to always tell the truth, and to not tell lies, even if it may seem funny or good to your own benefit to you to lie?

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Task 3: Writing Activity

Instructions: You are to write and post here 500 words essay on the importance of being honest and to not abuse the trust of those close to you.

?Make sure to provide specific examples from the story and from your own personal experiences.

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