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The Boy Who Cried Wolf

Once upon a time, in a beautiful village near lush rolling hills, there was a boy who watched over the village's sheep. Being alone up in the hills was very boring. To liven up his day, the boy thought it would be fun to scare the villagers and scream, "Wolf, wolf!" The villagers grabbed whatever they could, and ran up the hill to scare off the wolf.



When they reached the top, they realized they had been tricked by the mischievous boy. He laughed and laughed until the villagers angrily walked back down the hill. Even the sheep were not amused. The boy continued to call wolf, and the villagers warned him that the next time they would no longer believe him. The boy shrugged off the warning and laid down for a nap.

One lazy afternoon, the boy heard a terrible sound. Before he could even prepare himself, a wolf appeared right before him, and was chasing all the village's sheep! The boy screamed, "Wolf, wolf!", but having lied so many



times, the people of the village just ignored him. With no one to help him fend off the wolf, the sheep all ran away, and the boy was left crying on the hill.

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"The Boy Who Cried Wolf" Story Map



After reading "The Boy Who Cried Wolf", fill in the following setting, characters, and effect of the boy's actions. Then determine the genre of the story.

Setting:

The setting is a beautiful village near lush rolling hills.

Main characters:

The main characters are the boy, the villagers, and the wolf.

Cause

The boy tricks the villagers by screaming, "Wolf, wolf!"



Effect

The villagers do not believe the
boy when the wolf really comes,
so the sheep are all scared away.

The genre of this story is:

- a) Comedy: This story has a cheerful ending or is meant to make the reader laugh.
- b) Fable: This story teaches a lesson.
- c) Quest: This story has a difficult journey towards a place or goal.