

The Boy Who Cried Wolf



Mission:

Read the story below. Can you predict what will happen next?

Once upon a time in a mountain village, there was a boy who watched over the village's sheep. Being alone up in the hills was very boring. One day the boy thought it would be funny 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 there was no wolf. They had been tricked by the mischievous boy. He laughed and laughed while the villagers walked angrily back down the hill. On another day the boy again called, "Wolf! Wolf!" tricking the villagers. They warned him that the next time they would no longer believe him. The boy shrugged at the warning and laid down for a nap.

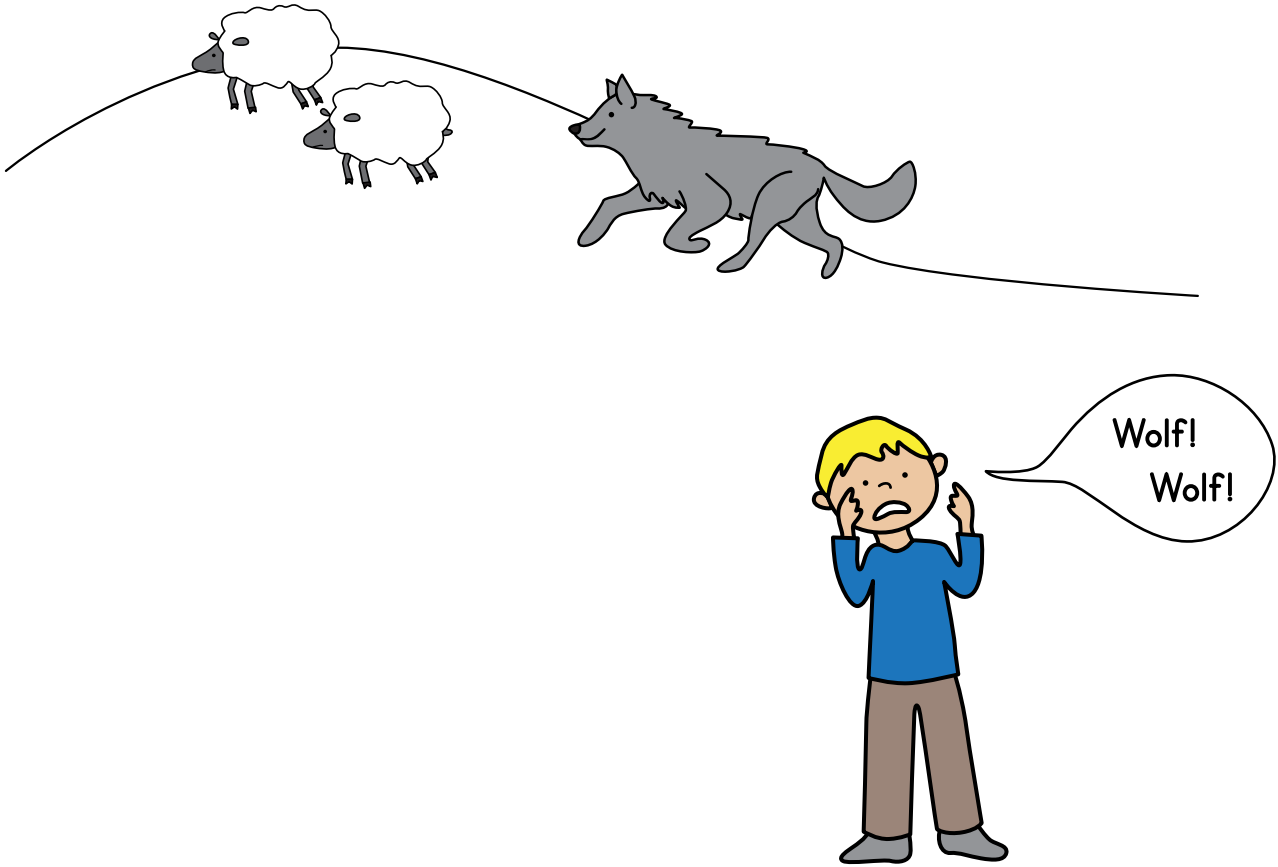


What do you think will happen next? Why?



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One lazy afternoon, the boy heard a terrible sound. Before he could even prepare himself, a wolf appeared and chased 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.



What was the moral of the story?
