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There once was a shepherd boy who was _____ Adjective _____ as he sat on the hillside watching the village sheep.

To amuse himself he took a great breath and sang out, "Wolf! Wolf! A wolf is chasing the sheep! They are _____ Adjective _____!"

The _____ Adjective _____ villagers came running up the hill to help the boy drive the wolf away. But when they arrived at the top of the hill, they found no wolf. The _____ Adjective _____ boy laughed at the sight of their _____ Adjective _____ faces.

"Don't cry 'wolf', shepherd boy," said the _____ Adjective _____ villagers, "when there's no wolf!" They went grumbling back down the hill.

Later, the boy sang out again, "Wolf! Wolf! The wolf is chasing the sheep!" To his naughty delight, he watched the _____ Adjective _____ villagers run up the hill to help him drive the wolf away.

When the _____ Adjective _____ villagers saw no wolf they sternly said, "Save your _____ Adjective _____ song for when there is really wrong! Don't cry 'wolf' when there is NO wolf!"

But the _____ Adjective _____ boy just grinned and watched them go grumbling down the hill once more.

Later, he saw a REAL wolf prowling about his flock. _____ Adjective _____, he leaped to his feet and yelled out as loudly as he could, "Wolf! Wolf!"

But the _____ Adjective _____ villagers thought he was trying to fool them again, and so they didn't come.

At sunset, everyone wondered why the shepherd boy hadn't returned to the village with their sheep. They went up the hill to find the _____ Adjective _____ boy. They found him weeping.

"There really was a wolf here! The flock has scattered! I cried out, 'Wolf!' Why didn't you come?"

An old and _____ Adjective _____ man tried to comfort the _____ Adjective _____ boy as they walked back to the village.

"We'll help you look for the lost sheep in the morning," he said, putting his arm around the _____ Adjective _____ boy

, "Nobody believes a liar... even when he is telling the truth!"