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Grade 3
Comprehension
Answer all questions correctly



THE TWO JUGGLERS
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Read the story below.

One beautiful spring day two men strolled into the public square of a Chinese city. At last, a bystander asked them who they were. "We are jugglers from a distant province," said the elder. Soon it was spread about among the crowd that two famous jugglers had just arrived. The mayor was wondering what he should do to amuse his friends, when a servant told him of the jugglers. "Now we may have a little fun," mayor said to his guests. The two strangers entertained the people with spinning plates in the air and tossing bowls up. At last, the mayor cried out: "These tricks are very good of their kind, but...." "Sir, anything that you demand I can do for you." Our feast was short of fruit, since this is the off season. Produce us a peach." Mayor said. "What, master, a peach?" exclaimed the elder juggler. "Very well, masters, if it's a peach you want, a peach you shall have." "Wonderful!" shouted the people. "The peach will soon be here." There in the magician's fingers was a peach. The official took the peach and cut it open. It was large enough for all his guests to have a taste, and such a taste it was!

Answer each question.

1. What news was spread out among the crowd?

2. What did the servant tell to the mayor?

3. How did the two jugglers entertain the people?

4. What was the demand of the mayor?

5. Did the jugglers produce the peach?



The Boy Who Cried "Wolf!"

Read the story below.

There was once a boy who lived in a village. His family owned many sheep. The boy had a job to watch the sheep. If a wolf came near, he needed to call for help. His sheep stayed on a hill near the village. One day, he thought of a trick he could play on the people who lived in the village. He ran and crying out for help. He shouted, "Wolf! Wolf! Come and help! The villagers heard him crying and thought that they had to help. So, the villagers ran to help him. They would try to help him and protect his lambs. However, when the villagers got there, the boy laughed at them. There was no wolf there. He thought it was funny. Then another day the boy tried the same trick. Once again, the villagers came to help him out, and 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 they thought he was pulling another trick, and the shepherd-boy lost all his sheep. When the people found out 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.

Answer each question.

1. **What was the job of the boy?**

2. **What did the boy think one day?**

3. **Did the boy do the same trick another day?**

4. **What did happen when a wolf really did come?**
