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very surprised, and they felt bad. They gave him the name, Omar the Liar. After that, no one believed Omar again.

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Lesson: Lying is very bad. Your first lie kills trust. No one will ever believe you, even if you're telling the truth.

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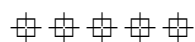
Beri baa waxaa jiray wiil la yiraahdo Cumar. Wiilkaas oo adhi u raaci jiray reero tuulo degan. Wuxuu adhiga u daaq geyn jiray kayn geedo badan oo tuulada agagaarkeeda ah. Wuxuu dadka adhiga leh bishii ka qaadan jiray qadar lacag ah. Maalin maalamaha ka mid ah ayuu jeclaystay inuu magaalada tago, si taasi ugu suuro gashona intuu adhigii xagga tuulada u soo didiyey isaga oo ku qaylinaaya waa waraabe!! ha la i soo gaadho!!, waa waraabe!! ha la i soo gaadho!!

Dadkii tuulada oo dhan ayaa inta ay ku argagaxeen qayladii cumar ayey iyaga oo hubaysan si deg deg ah ugu soo gurmadeen xagii cumar iyo adhigii. Markay dadkii u yimaaddeen, ma ay arag waraabihii uu Cumar ku qaylinayey hase ahaatee, waxay noqotay in Cumar iyo adhigii tuuladii loo kaxeeyo.

Cumar markii uu arkey in beentiisii hore u hirgashay dhowr cisho ka bacdi ayuu isaga oo adeegsanaya xeeladiisii

hore, ayuu intuu adhigii u didiyey xagii tuulada, aad ugu qayliyey, waa waraabe!! waa waraabe!! hase ahaatee, markii dadkii soo gurmaday arki waayeen waraabe iyo raad toona, waxay waydiiyeen sababta ku kaliftay in uu been sheego. Markaas ayuu yiri, “Waan baqay oo waxaan u baahdey qof ii wehelyeela.” Markaas dadkii inta ay aad uga xumaadeen beentii ayey waxay u bixiyeen Cumar beenaale, waxayna noqotay in wax kasta oo uu sheego loo qaato been.

Waxaa maalin danbe dhacday isagoo adhigii ku ilaalinaya kayntii ayuu wuxuu arkay waraabe soo gaadaya, markaas ayuu qaliyey oo uu yiri, “Soo baxaay, soo baxaay waa Waraabe, waa Waraabe!!” Dadkii tuulada cidi kama soo gurman oo waxaa loo qaatay in markana uu been sheegayo, waraabihiina sidaa ayuu Cumar ku cunay.



Dulucda sheekada:

Waxay sheekadani inoo sheegeysaa in beentu ay tahay wax aad u xun. Waxayna Soomaalidu ku maahmaahdaa Beentaada hore runtaada danbe ayey dishaa. Haddii been lagugu barto weligaa dadku kuma rumaysanayo, haddii xataa aad run sheegeyso.

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A Play

Time: A long time ago
Place: A small village in the country, and in a nearby pasture

Characters:

Narrator Villager 1

Omar Villager 2

Narrator: Once upon a time there was a man named Omar who took care of goats belonging to the villagers.

Omar: I'm so bored with taking care of other people's goats. I would like to go to the city to have lunch. But how can I ever go with all these goats to take care of? I know! I'll pretend that there is a hyena close by.
Help! Help! Help!! I see a hyena.

Narrator: The people ran to help Omar.

Villager 1: What's the matter?

Omar: A hyena is hiding around here. I saw him sneaking around.

Villager 2: Where? I don't see the hyena.

Omar: Maybe he has gone now. But I don't think I should keep the goats here. I'll return them to the village now.

Narrator: Back at the village Omar admitted he had lied.

Omar: I lied about the hyena. I'm sorry, and I'll never lie to you again.

Villager 1: Why did you lie to us? We trusted you.

Omar: I'm very sorry. Please trust me with your goats again. I won't lie.

Villager 2: Okay, Omar. You can bring our goats to the pasture now.

Narrator: Omar leaves with the goats. After awhile Omar sees a real hyena.

Omar: Help! Help! Help!! A hyena is coming to eat the goats. Please come to help.

Narrator: No one came to Omar's help because they knew he was a liar. The hyena ate Omar.

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New Vocabulary

afraid	month
believed	pasture
belonging	pay/paid
company	plant
decided	surprised
doubt	take/took
evidence	tending
feel/felt	trust
handsome	truth
hyena	villager
liar	weapons
lied	yelled

Background Vocabulary

flock
goat/kid
herdsman
pasture

Suggested Background Information,
Activities and Questions

Before Reading

1. Discuss the importance of animals in the Somali economy.
2. Give some background information about country life in Somalia.
3. Discuss the characteristics of the hyena. Why do herdsman and animal owners hate this animal?
4. Discuss the new vocabulary, and put these words in sentences.

After Reading

1. What is the main idea of this story?
2. What lessons can be learned from this story?
3. Read the fable 'Cry Wolf'. Compare these two stories.
4. Complete the cloz for this story.
5. Dramatize with stick puppets.
6. Sequence the story. (See sequence page)
7. Do the play. Use the stick puppets.

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Cloz activity

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