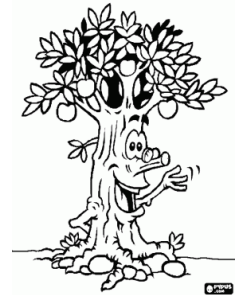


A CULTURAL NARRATIVE:

Most people enjoy stories. Some stories have a message about how to live a good life. These stories are **moral lessons**. There are many moral stories in African culture. Usually animals are the main characters. In the olden days, the elders used to tell the stories to the people as they sat around the fire in the evenings.

Read the story '**The Truth Tree**' on pages 102 and 103 Of your Life Orientation textbook and answer the questions that follow.

1. What kind of man did the wise old woman advise the princess to look for?
2. Why do you think did Lesedi not plant another tree in his pot?
3. How do you think Lesedi felt when the other men laughed at him?
4. How did the princess know that Lesedi was an honest man?
5. Do you think it is always good to be honest? Give a reason for your answer.
6. What is the **moral lesson** in this story?
7. Read the African story below.



Imagine that you were telling the story The Boy Who Cried Leopard. In the speech bubble below, write down the moral lesson you would tell people this story was teaching us.

The Boy Who Cried Leopard

A young shepherd was looking after sheep on a hill above a village. One day for fun, he shouted down to the people in the village that a leopard was coming to eat the sheep. People rushed up the hill to save the sheep and the boy. When they got to the top, the boy just laughed. The shepherd played his trick again and again and again! The villagers became angry with him.

One day a leopard really did come. The boy cried down to the village "Leopard! Leopard! A leopard has come to eat the sheep. Help me! Nobody came. The villagers were tired of the shepherd's tricks. They did not come. The leopard ate up all the sheep and the little shepherd.

