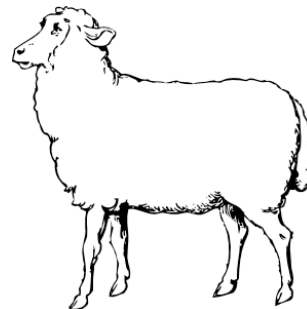


Aesop's Fables – The Wolf and the Sheep

A Wolf, sorely wounded and bitten by dogs, lay sick and maimed in his lair. Being in want of food, he called to a Sheep who was passing, and asked him to fetch some water from a stream flowing close beside him. "For," he said, "if you will bring me drink, I will find means to provide myself with meat." "Yes," said the Sheep, "if I should bring you the draught, you would doubtless make me provide the meat also."

Reading Comprehension Questions

1. What does the word maimed mean?
2. What does the word draught mean?
3. What does the Wolf mean when he says, "If you will bring me drink, I will find means to provide myself with meat."
4. What does the Sheep mean when he says, "If I should bring you the draught, you would doubtless make me provide the meat also."
5. What is the theme or main message?



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Answer Key

1. What does the word maimed mean? **Injured, disabled, or disfigured**
2. What does the word draught mean? **A gulp or swallow of liquid - in this case, water**
3. What does the Wolf mean when he says, "If you will bring me drink, I will find means to provide myself with meat." **If you bring me a drink, I will gain enough strength to find food for myself and thus regain my health.**
4. What does the Sheep mean when he says, "If I should bring you the draught, you would doubtless make me provide the meat also." **If I bring you a drink, you will make me your meal.**
5. What is the theme or main message? **It is not difficult to spot a liar and a hypocrite.**