

WORDS TO KNOW

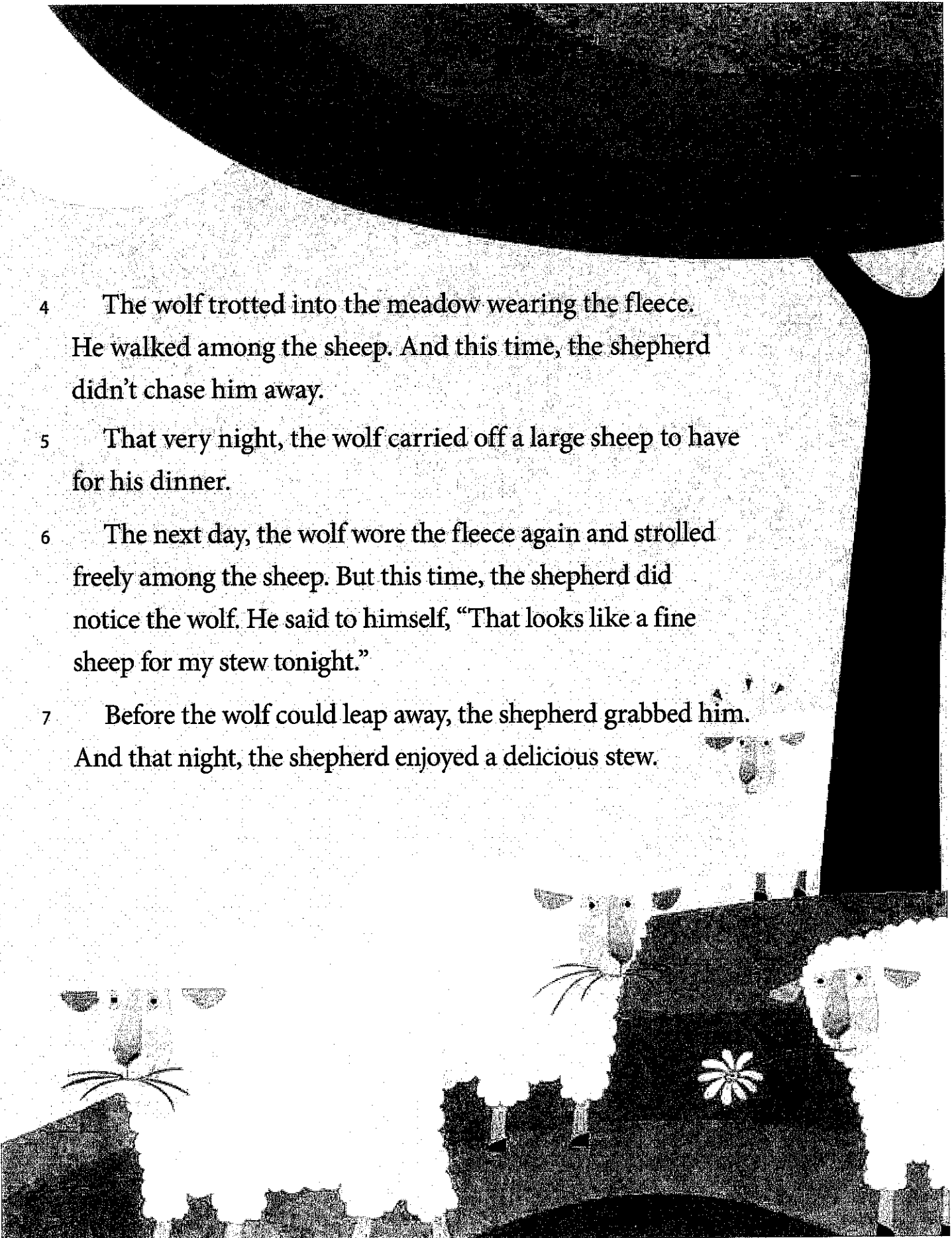
As you read, look inside, around, and beyond these words to figure out what they mean.

- fleece
- delicious

The Wolf in Sheep's Clothing

an Aesop fable

- 1 Once there was a wolf who wanted nothing more than to eat one of the sheep that lived in the meadow. But the shepherd kept a close watch over the sheep. Every time he saw the wolf, he chased him back into the forest.
- 2 Then one night, the wolf found a sheep's fluffy, white fleece. The shepherd had forgotten it. "Aha!" cried the wolf. "I think this fleece might solve my problem."
- 3 With a tug and a pull, the wolf dressed himself in the fleece. Now he looked just like a sheep.



4 The wolf trotted into the meadow wearing the fleece.
He walked among the sheep. And this time, the shepherd
didn't chase him away.

5 That very night, the wolf carried off a large sheep to have
for his dinner.

6 The next day, the wolf wore the fleece again and strolled
freely among the sheep. But this time, the shepherd did
notice the wolf. He said to himself, "That looks like a fine
sheep for my stew tonight."

7 Before the wolf could leap away, the shepherd grabbed him.
And that night, the shepherd enjoyed a delicious stew.

 **Think** Use what you learned by reading “The Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing” to respond to the following questions.

1 Read this sentence from the story.

Every time he saw the wolf, he chased him back into the forest.

Why is this event important to the beginning of the story?

- A** It tells why the wolf can’t get near the sheep.
- B** It tells why the sheep are not afraid of the wolf.
- C** It tells why the wolf wanted to eat the sheep.
- D** It tells why the shepherd forgot the fleece.

2 This question has two parts. First, answer Part A. Then answer Part B.

Part A

How did the wolf fool the shepherd?

- A** He made a noise like a sheep.
- B** He hid in the forest.
- C** He waited until the shepherd left.
- D** He wore the fleece of a sheep.

Part B

Write the sentence from the text that explains why the wolf’s trick worked.

- 3 Look at the chart. It tells the order of some of the events in the story.

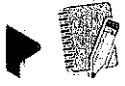
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<i>The wolf puts on a sheep's fluffy, white fleece.</i>		<i>The wolf carries off a sheep for his dinner.</i>

Which sentence belongs in the empty box?

- A The shepherd chases the wolf into the forest.
 - B The wolf walks into the herd of sheep.
 - C The shepherd notices the wolf.
 - D The shepherd cooks a delicious stew.
- 4 Which choice **best** shows what "strolled" means in the following sentence?

The next day, the wolf wore the fleece again and strolled freely among the sheep.

- A He ran through the herd of sheep.
- B He walked slowly among the sheep.
- C He stayed away from the sheep.
- D He chased the sheep in the meadow.



Write What happens in this story?

- 5 Plan Your Response** List important events from the beginning, middle, and end of the story.

- 6 Short Response** Recount the whole story. Be sure to use your own words. Tell what happens at the beginning, middle, and end of the story. Use the events from your list.
