A Wolf! Help!

Our story happened at a time when there were many wolves in the European forests. However, it is doubtful whether wolves were really as dangerous to humans as is often reported in fairy tales, for example. When the animals howl in winter, they are hungry or want to keep in touch with their pack. Usually, they don't attack people.

Read the story and finish it:

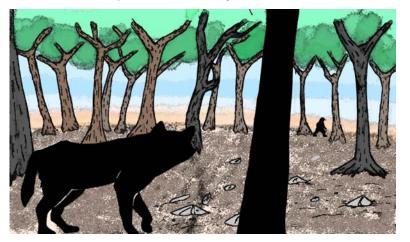
There used to be little entertainment for young people - let's say two hundred years ago. Neither computers nor video, not even radio, just a few rather boring books. To entertain himself, a boy - let's call him Johnny - invented a game. He went into the forest and shouted: "A wolf! Help, a wolf wants to eat me!"

The first time, they all came running: his father with a rifle under his arm and the farm dog on a leash, his mother with a fork in her hand, brothers and sisters armed with logs. How Johnny had a good laugh when he saw such an army marching up! Mum hugged her little boy and was glad that nothing had happened to him.

Johnny thought his joke was so funny that he wanted to repeat it a few days later. His mother

rushed over immediately, but this time without a pitchfork. His father arrived a little later, without his rifle and without a dog. Only the youngest brother was still excited. The father shook his head, and you could see that he was not very happy with his son.

A few more days had passed and litte Johnny was back in the forest. Would he repeat his joke that afternoon? Perhaps. So, when he was walking through the forest...



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