

# George Washington Trumps Pinocchio for Inspiring Honesty in Kids, Study Says

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The study, published in *Psychological Science*, concludes positive moral tales like “George Washington and the Cherry Tree” work better at instilling a sense of honesty than “Pinocchio” or the “Boy Who Cried Wolf,” in which the protagonists suffer the negative consequences of lying in the end.

Stories with morals intended to guide children and instill a sense of honesty are nothing new, but studies examining their effects are few and far between.

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