The Time Warp Trio

The Good, the Bad, and the Goofy

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 The main character is Joe. He has two best friends, Fred and Sam. They are the best of friends completely inseparable. Fred is completely carefree and careless! He has no fear. Luckily, Joe is very smart and can usually think of ways to get them out of bad situations that Fred gets them in. Sam knows a lot of information. It has helped them get out of things too.

 In the beginning of the story, the three boys were hanging out watching a cowboy movie. Joe thought it would be neat to visit the time of cowboys. He pulled out a blue book that had a silver moon and stars and suggested that they use the magic book to go back to the time of the cowboys. The other boys were against it but it was too late. Joe had already said the magic rhyme. Green smoke filled the room and everything went black.

 When they woke up, they were in the middle of the prairie. There was nothing around except a few cactuses. They realized that they cannot return home until they find the magic book with the moon and stars. They heard a roaring noise coming quickly toward them. It was a stampede of cattle! Luckily a cowboy stepped in and saved them. The cowboy took them to the rest of his group. The boys were quickly learning that being a cowboy isn’t as cool as it looks in the old movies. They learned that the cowboys were having a problem with the Indians. They had heard that they were scalping people.

 In the middle of the night, a storm made the herd of cattle stampede again. The boys ran into a valley. The valley ended up being a riverbed and the river came flowing around the corner. Joe was rescued by an Indian. He was frightened because of the stories he had heard from the cowboys. He was taken to their village. He found Sam and Fred there too! They were told that if they did not perform magic, they would be scalped, or even worse, killed! Just before they had to perform their “magic”, Sam noticed that the tipi they were in were in the shape of constellations. This impressed the chief. He was going to take them back to the cowboys in the morning. During the night, part of the tribe, who wanted to scalp the boys and send a message to the soldiers and cowboys that were forcing them off their land, stole the boys and tied them to a tree. They were about to be scalped when the Indian chief came to save the day! The chief was so impressed with them that he gave them a gift. It was the magic book! Just as they were untying the boys, the army showed up and started firing bullets at the Indians and the boys. The boys used the book to use a Time Freeze Rhyme. They learned that they could keep the war from happening if they tapped the Indians and let them retreat. It worked and the Indians were able to retreat! The boys said the magic rhyme to let them return to their home. The green smoke came and then they were right back in their living room.