

Frog Song

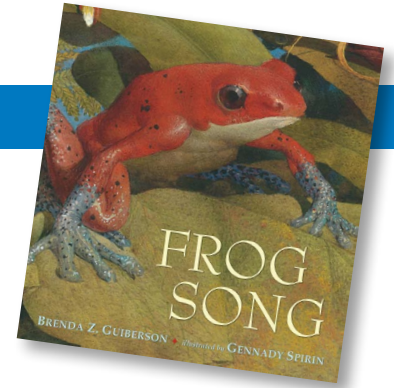
A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Themes: Frogs, Habitats, Endangered Species, Life Cycles

Book Brief: There are many different types of frogs around the world, each with its own unique “song.” Explore their habitats and learn what these frogs need to survive in our ever-changing world.

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TIME TO READ!



Before reading, build background knowledge:

Where do you normally see frogs? What time of year? What kinds of sounds have you heard from frogs?

While reading, make connections:

Use a world map to pinpoint the location

of each frog mentioned in the book. Are any close to

you? What do all the frogs have in common?

After reading, ask questions:

- ◆ What surprised you most about the frogs in the book?
- ◆ What do frogs need in order to thrive?
- ◆ Which frog did you find most interesting? Why?
- ◆ What might happen if there were no more frogs?
- ◆ Why are so many frogs dying?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

FROG BOG FLOAT

Ingredients: lime sherbet, lemon-lime soda, mini marshmallows

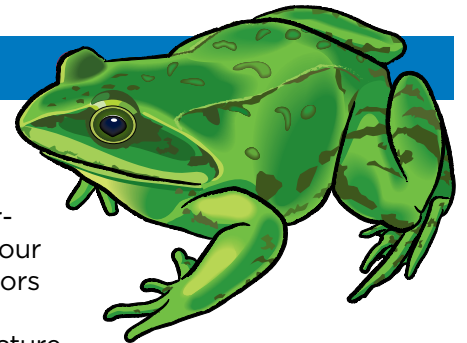
Place a scoop of lime sherbet—the frog’s head—in a clear glass. Pour the soda on top until the sherbet bubbles and floats. Add two mini marshmallows on top as the frog’s eyes, peeking out from the bog. Do the bubbles in the frog bog remind you of any of the pictures from the book?

WATERCOLOR WATER LILIES

Materials: paper, crayons, watercolor paints

Check out Monet’s water lilies at www.claudemonet-gallery.org/Water-Lilies.html. This setting would be a great home for any frog! Use crayons to draw a frog

and lily pads on a sheet of white paper. Brush watercolor paints over your drawings using colors from your favorite Monet. Let your picture dry and hang it up for everyone to enjoy!



WILDLIFE WATCHER

Discover what types of frogs and other animals live in your area. Go to www.nwf.org/Wildlife/Wildlife-Conservation/Citizen-Science/Wildlife-Watch.aspx and create a wildlife watch list. What you see can help scientists track the health and behavior of wild animals across the country!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Life in the Boreal Forest (2009)
Rain, Rain, Rain Forest (2004)
Into the Sea (2000)



Reading Is Fundamental