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A Science Article

The Bullfrog

What I Know

Circle the correct answer.

- 1. A baby frog is called a _____.
 - a. bull
 - **b.** tadpole
- **2.** Most frogs are good at ______.
 - a. running
 - b. jumping

Check the Answer Box to see!



What I Want to Know

(Check all that you want to know.)

- How is a baby frog born?
- ☐ How does a tadpole change?
- (go on)

1. A baby frog is called a <u>tadpole</u>.

2. Most frogs are good at jumping.

ANSWER BOX

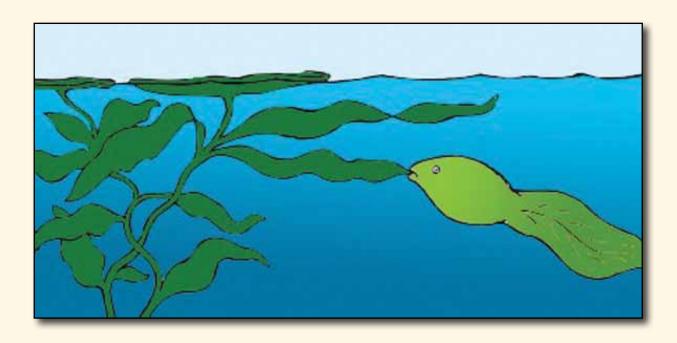
The Bullfrog

The bullfrog is a very large frog. Some can be as big as a football. It lives on the land. But the mother bullfrog lays her eggs in the water.

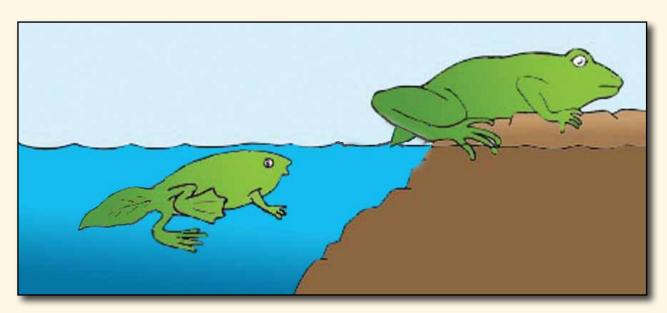
She lays more than 100 eggs.



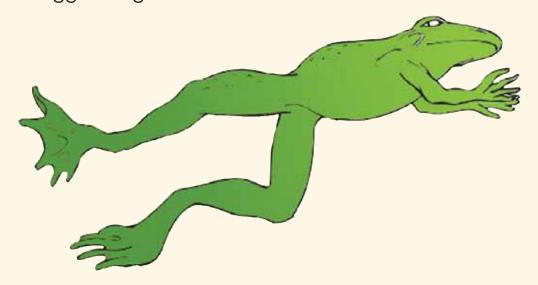
In two or three weeks the eggs hatch. The baby swims to a water plant nearby and holds on. Soon it begins to swim around. It eats very small plants. Now it looks like a fish. It is called a tadpole.



The tadpole gets bigger. It starts to grow legs. The tail begins to get smaller. Lungs grow inside its body. Now it can breathe the air. The tadpole comes out of the water. But it is no longer a tadpole. It has changed into a baby bullfrog.



The bullfrog is very good at jumping. It can get away fast when danger is near. It has webs between its toes, so it is a good swimmer, too. The bullfrog eats flies and bugs. It can even eat baby birds and turtles. The bullfrog is one of the biggest frogs around.



What I Learned

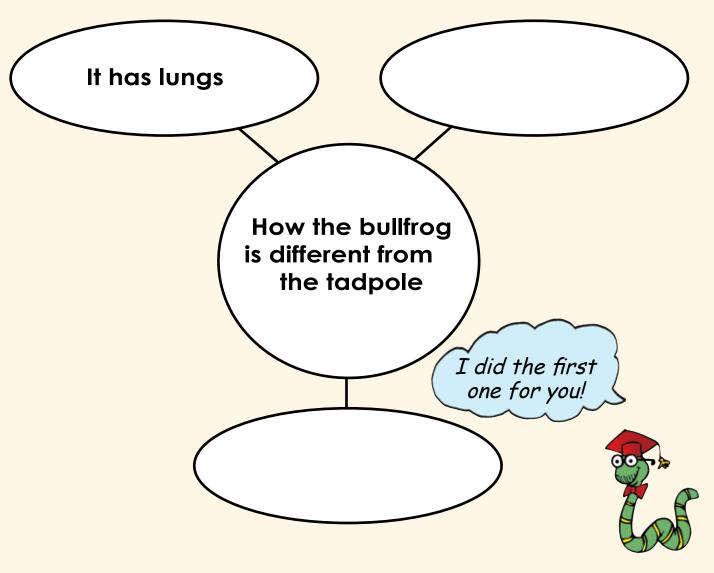
Circle the letter next to the correct answer.

1.	This story tells
	a. how a frog grows up
	b. how frogs eat
	c. about baby bulls
2.	The mother bullfrog does NOT
	a. feed her tadpoles
	b. lay many eggs
	c. go into the water
3.	The tadpole comes out of the water AFTER
	a. it eats flies
	b. it grows lungs
	c. it is one of the biggest frogs around
4.	"The bullfrog is very good at jumping." This makes us think that the bullfrog
	a. may jump away to save his life
	b. likes to play games
	c. is a good runner, too
5 .	The tadpole does NOT
	a. swim
	b. eat plants
	c. look like a bullfrog
6.	The bullfrog is a good swimmer because
	a. its mother teaches it
	b. it is small and thin
	c. its feet have webs

Using the Information

Use the information from the story to answer each question.

1. The bullfrog looks very different from the tadpole. Fill in the web below to show how.

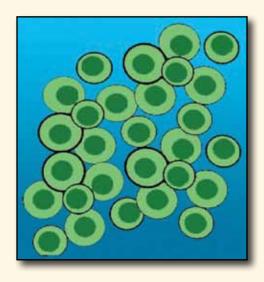


2. Tell three things the bullfrog can do.

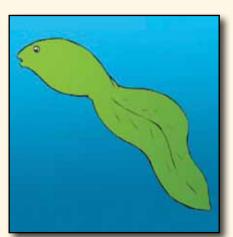
Writing

The bullfrog changes in many ways as it grows up. Look at the pictures here. Then tell the story of the bullfrog in your own words.

The mother bullfrog



The tadpole _____



The tadpole changes. It	
The baby bullfrog	_•
The big bullfrog	

Editing Practice

Read the paragraphs in the boxes below. They have some mistakes in **capital letters** and **punctuation**. There are no mistakes in spelling.

- ☐ Find the mistakes.
- Draw a line through each mistake.
- Write the correction above it.

Remember a period means stop. Telling sentences end with a period.



My house is near a pond I go there often. Fish and Frogs live in the water. Ducks swim on top of the water. Sometimes I see mice. They live by the pond

I laugh when I see the pond skater It is a funny Bug. It runs across the top of the water. The hair on its belly is like a raincoat. Did you see the bug shake off the water.