

Alpha Level 4

Frog Bog



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Word Study

A Write the word for each picture.

bank breathe muddy plank polluted puddle shallow tadpole



muddy



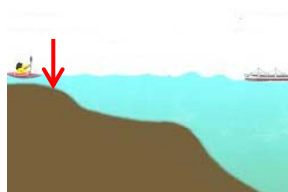
puddle



breathe



tadpole



shallow



plank



polluted



bank

B Write the word next to its meaning.

amphibian bog endangered habitat nursery patient provide

- 1) bog : an area of land which is very wet and muddy
- 2) amphibian : animals such as frogs that can live both on land and in water
- 3) habitat : natural environment where animals or plants live
- 4) endangered : in danger of disappearing forever
- 5) provide : give something that someone needs
- 6) patient : can wait for something or someone staying calm
- 7) nursery : a place where plants are grown to be sold

Word Study

C Complete the sentences using words in the box.

fill if lay like right there types

- 1) There is a muddy patch in the corner of our garden.
- 2) I got a reply right **away** from the Amphibian Research Center.
- 3) Many types of frogs are endangered.
- 4) Fill your frog bog **with** water.
- 5) One frog **sounds** like a cricket.
- 6) These frogs lay their **eggs** in water, or on plants near the water.
- 7) If you have plenty of plants in your frog bog, they will help clean the water.

D Write your own sentences using the same pattern.

The conjunction, 'so' shows 'the result of the thing mentioned ahead'.

I can't talk on the phone now,
I was so hungry,
There was a new movie playing,
We have a test tomorrow,
I want to lose some weight,
My vacation begins tomorrow,

so

we bought the tickets to watch.
I run for 1 hour everyday.
I am planning to have some fun.
I have to study tonight.
leave a message.
I ate a lot of dinner.

- 1) I can't talk on the phone now, so leave a message.

2) _____

3) _____











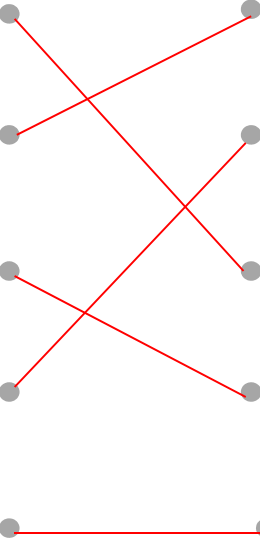
4) _____

Comprehension

A Answer the following questions.

- 1) What is the book about?
 - ☒ a) How to make a frog bog
 - b) How to get information on internet
 - c) How to clear polluted water
- 2) What do you have to do first to make a bog? (pg. 5)
 - ☒ a) Find a muddy place.
 - b) Fill a bog with water.
 - c) Plant plants.
- 3) What do you do to keep the roots of plants damp and cool in a bog? (pg.16)
 - a) Add fresh water everyday
 - ☒ b) Spread straw around a bog
 - c) Nothing
- 4) What can you do with polluted water in a frog bog? (pg. 19)
 - a) You should change the water as often as possible.
 - b) Do nothing and wait.
 - ☒ c) Put plenty of plants in the bog and wait.

B Match and complete the sentences.

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| 1) Frogs breathe... |  |  | you can help to create a clean habitat for frogs. |
| 2) By making a frog bog... |  |  | from soaking into the ground. |
| 3) When tadpoles hatch... |  |  | through their skin. |
| 4) A plastic sheet stops water... |  |  | they live in the water until they become frogs. |
| 5) Put branches around a bog... |  |  | for frogs to climb on. |
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Comprehension

C Fill in the chart about a frog bog.

Why make a frog bog

Frogs breathe through their skin.

They can be harmed by pollution in the land, water, and air.

How to make a frog bog

Find a muddy place.

Mark the shape of your bog and dig a hole.

Lay newspapers and cover them with a plastic sheet to hold water.

Fill the bog with water.

Put branches or rocks around the water for frogs to climb on.

Put plants in and around your bog for frogs or tadpoles to hide.

Be patient. Frogs will soon visit your bog!

Climb dig fill hide

Muddy patient pollution plastic sheet skin tadpole

Expressions

D Write and Speak

<What is your room like?>

A frog bog is muddy with logs and branches.

How about yours?

My room is _____ with _____
warm / cool / dry / cozy / clean / messy

It has _____
windows for fresh air / curtains to cover the sun / a bed to sleep on / a desk for studying

_____ are put on my _____
gold fish / plants / toys and dolls / books

