



Back Scratcha Book

AGE 9
TO 13

Strange But True: It's Raining Frogs!

Have you ever heard the saying, "it's raining cats and dogs"?

One morning in 1981 in the town of Naphillion in Greece, all of the townspeople heard a strange and unusual sound of **plop! plop! plop!** outside of their homes. They were all very surprised to see small **GREEN FROGS** falling from the sky.

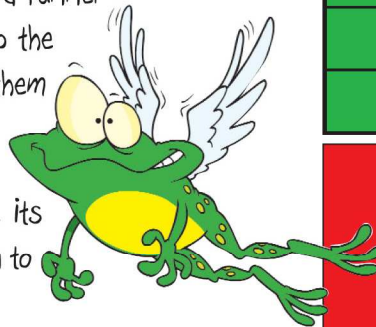
What a strange sight that would be, don't you think?

What was even more surprising was that these frogs originally came from **NORTH AFRICA**. Amazing, but true!

How **was it possible** for these adorable little green **creatures** to become flying frogs and travel hundreds of kilometers away from their homeland?

Well, some scientists believe that a waterspout or a funnel of swirling air had formed. It had then sucked up the frogs from the surface of the water and carried them off into the sky.

Once the waterspout began to die down and lose its force, the little **CROAKERS** were released back down to the ground.



TOP TEN Cat Names

Tiger	1
Smokey	2
Tigger	3
Max	4
Patches	5
Kitty	6
Shadow	7
Princess	8
Sam	9
Oliver	10

Questions & Answers

How many hours a day does a cat spend sleeping?

1. 4 hours
2. 8 hours
3. 12 hours
4. 16 hours

Ask your Guardian for the answer!

The Scrambler

Unscramble the blocks to discover a message?

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Ask your Guardian for a hint and the answer.

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Butterflies & Shutterbugs

What You Will Need:

1. Digital Camera
OR
Disposable Camera
2. Backdrop sheet (optional)
3. A SMILE!



Zooming in on a subject will give an entirely new perspective

Where To Start & Finish

Concentrate on your Child's interests. If she enjoys flowers, visit a garden. If he has a favourite toy, this would be a perfect object to start photographing.

Your Child may have a favourite place to go. He or she may like to go to your local park and photograph friends while they are at play. For example, for an action shot, your Child

could take photos of his or her friends rollerblading or skateboarding.

The hard part is trying to decide what to shoot next.

If your camera is capable of close-up photos, be sure to show your Child how differently things can look when they are close up.

Once your Child has a camera, it is time to CLICK away!

It is important to let your Child know that the sky is the limit and he or she should have FUN!

Help your Child download or develop the pictures and see the rewards of his or her labour.

Joke Of The Day

What did the Melon say when the Pineapple asked it to run off and get married?

Ask your Child for the answer!

Trivia

In the 1820s Joseph Nicephore Niepce was the first person to create a permanent photo.

Answers to Child's Pages

The Scrambler hint = A children's cartoon show
The Scrambler answer = The Fairly Odd Parents

Q&A answer = Cats sleep 16 hours per day

Joke answer = A Screen Saver

Knock Knock = Lex go over to your place