

Tadpoles Promise

One day Sophie comes home from school to find two questions in her mail: "Who are you?" and "Where does the world come from?" Before she knows it she is enrolled in a correspondence course with a mysterious philosopher. Thus begins Jostein Gaarder's unique novel, which is not only a mystery, but also a complete and entertaining history of philosophy.

The Really Rude Rhino is rude to everyone, even Santa Claus, and although his parents hope that he will grow out of it, the doctor says that there is no cure.

From visiting the pumpkin patch, to bobbing for apples, to picking out a favorite costume, Halloween is a magical time for young children. The fun and festivities are captured in this book, with full-color illustrations and simple easy-to-grasp text. In the spirit of this beloved holiday, this level one reader is sure to captivate and fascinate children. This high-interest, educationally vetted series of beginning readers features the magnificent images of National Geographic, accompanied by texts written by experienced, skilled children's book authors. The inside back cover of the paperback edition is an interactive feature based upon the book. Level 1 books reinforce the content of the book with a kinesthetic learning activity. In Level 2 books readers complete a Cloze letter, or fun fill-in, with vocabulary words. Releases simultaneously in Reinforced Library Binding: 978-1-4263-1035-5 , \$13.90/\$15.95 Can National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit www.natgeoed.org/commoncore for more information. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Everyone loves Goldilocks' hilarious online videos, but in her quest to get more likes, more laughs and more hits, she tries something a little more daring: stealing porridge #pipinghot, breaking chairs #fun, and using someone else's bed #sleep. What will Daddy Bear do when he sees that online? A hilarious cautionary tale for a new generation of internet-users from the prize-winning partnership of Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross.

"Good morning, class. Today we are going to learn about Earthlets." In this way Dr Xargle, our friendly alien teacher, begins to teach his class about humans and babies. This is a hysterically funny book, with a particularly wry look at the way we bring up babies: look out for the 'egg-mangle' - will you ever want to eat egg again?

Yolanda sets out with family and friends to help her grandmother and discovers long-buried secrets about a family curse and the healing power of the magic surrounding her.

Describes the structures a variety of insects, including spiders, beetles, bees, and ants, build for themselves.

Rhyming couplets describe a wide range of common emotions and activities experienced by a little girl who uses a wheelchair.

One night Chick hops onto the farmer's house and has a browse on his computer - CLICK - soon she's shopping online for the whole farm! But when she arranges to meet up with a friend she's made online, she discovers all is not as it seems... Little Red Riding Hood for the iPad generation, this is the perfect book for teaching children how to stay safe online.

Many people make up a neighborhood. Each person has a job that helps the community. Find out about how people help a neighborhood. Paired to the fiction title What I Want to Be.

When a caterpillar meets her perfect love, a tadpole, she begs him never to change, but their relationship is doomed.

The second hilarious story about the irrepressible penguins of City Zoo, from award-winning author Jeanne Willis. One of

the fantastic titles in the Awesome Animals series – the funniest fiction, starring the wildest wildlife, from prize winning authors.

Out-of-shape Flabby Cat and Slobby Dog, whose activities are limited to eating, drinking, and sleeping, finally slim down after embarking on an around-the-world search for the elusive Cunning Tiger and Wild Wolf.

Put on your hard hats and get busy digging! Children love learning about their favorite construction trucks and machines in this colorful book, which features dump trucks, bulldozers, front loaders, excavators, lowboys, tipper trucks, pavers, grapple skidders, giant tires, cement mixers, cranes, haulers, snowcats, and more.

Every creature that the teeny weeny tadpole meets seems to be able to jump, except him. Then he meets the big, bad fish, who can't jump - but he can swim very, very fast, and he eats little tadpoles...What is Tadpole going to do? With a matt laminated cover and die-cut bubbles.

Have you heard the tale of Felicity Finch who was prone to pinch? Or the one about Vince the Mince, the vegetarian dog who took his sprouts far too seriously... This hilarious collection offers a grisly mix of gruesome cautionary verses, in which assorted characters meet the stickiest of ends!

Afraid that her smallest child, Colin, will be hurt if he goes outside or plays, a mother mouse insists that he sit quietly indoors until his grandmother suggests wrapping him in cotton wool, which proves to be effective, but in a most unexpected way.

When it begins to bug Slug that his mom doesn't hug him, he leaves home to find out why. Kitten suggests he should be furrier, so he puts on a woolly hat while Bird suggests he needs a beak. Soon, Slug has a new look. Will his mom hug him now?

"Where the willow meets the water, a tadpole met a caterpillar. They gazed into each other's tiny eyes and fell in love. 'Promise me that you will never change', the caterpillar says." And foolishly, the tadpole promises. But as the seasons pass and he matures, his legs grow, and then his arms - and what happens to his beautiful rainbow friend? As he sits on his lily pad, digesting the butterfly he has just eaten, he little realises that now he will never know!

Traces the growth of a tadpole into a full-grown frog, describes the many different types of frogs, and tells how they eat and live. In the 1860's a Northern newspaper referred to Florida as the "smallest tadpole in the dirty pool of secession." Political power in the state was held largely by wealthy white planters. In early 1861, Florida was a rural frontier state that had joined the Union just fifteen years before. Its population of 140,000 was by far the smallest of any of the states that formed the Confederacy. Nearly 63,000 of the population were African Americans, most of whom were slaves working in an agricultural-based economy. The majority of the white population was relatively poor and rural, with a smaller number of tradespeople and their families living in

small towns. This work of historical fiction tells the story of one Florida family in the 1860s.

A beautiful life-affirming picture book by award-winning team Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross *Mayfly* might have only one day to live, but she enjoys every moment by observing all the wonderful life teeming around her and rejoicing in her own. As she soars over the sky at dawn she bathes in the golden light, and she dances to the music of the universe. Throughout the day she sees a multitude of glorious things, including flowers blooming, a summer's rain, children playing on a lawn, and a sky filled with rainbows. With illustrations that are whimsical and bright, *Mayfly* teaches children and adults alike to cherish the gift of being alive each day. Two curly caterpillars dream of all the things they will do when they become butterflies. Autumn comes, and they settle down to sleep, eager to wake up and have their dream realised. But Nature has a different dream, a different plan for them...

Learn about the transformation from frogspawn to frog with this fun, informative picture book, part of the 'Nature Storybooks' series. 'Growing Frogs' supports the National Curriculum Key Stage One and Two.

"We're going to a party, disguised in fancy dress. But which of us is What or Who? It's up to you to guess!" Lift the flaps of this gloriously funny book to find out which animal is wearing which fancy dress costume. But when it comes to the last page, even the animals themselves are in for a surprise . . . 'A dream team of writer and illustrator!' The Times 'The perfect pairing of Willis's rhyme and Ross's humourous illustration.' Good Book Guide

When a Stegosaurus family, Mr. and Mrs. Stigson and their son Darwin, throw a party for Uncle Loop's 150th birthday, it is gate-crashed by Flint Beastwood, the gangster-like T-rex, his thuggish sidekicks Mr. Cretaceous (a terrifying *Dinosuchus*) and Terry O'Dactyl (a psychotic *Pteranodon*). War seems to be on the horizon for the carnivores and the herbivores as kidnaps and thefts follow. Mayor Boris (a *Triceratops*) proposes Olympic Games to bring peace and stop the fighting. But can the dinosaurs settle their differences through sports, or will it only make things worse? Jeanne Willis's madcap characters and story, with Arthur Robins' inspired illustration, are certain to tickle anyone's funny-bone!

The tadpoles outgrow their pond and in a series of fortunate events find their way to a new home that fits their size!

A little green frog quietly waits by the lake for various insects that he catches with his sticky tongue. On board pages. Tadpole's Promise Random House

Eleven-year-old Tom has never spoken, so people think he's stupid and treat him different from "normal" children. At the zoo, Tom can speak to Zanzi, one of the gorillas, through sign language. Nobody believes him, though. They think he's making it up. Suggested level: primary, intermediate.

The Nanny Goat wants kids more than anything in the world. When she can't have any of her own, she adopts one instead, but he's different to the others. One by one, the other kids start to go missing, and everyone blames the Nanny Goat's Kid. Has he really eaten them? Or are the others just trying to make a scapegoat out of him?

Celebrating acceptance and being who you really are, this joyful story is about Cliff, the crocodile who wants to wear a

dress. When the hyenas laugh at Cliff, he pretends he's dressing up for a play. But no play exists! Luckily his friend Freddy comes to the rescue and creates a show for Cliff to star in. But what will his dad say when he sees him? A funny story about inclusion and supporting your friends and family. Jeanne Willis is an award-winning author who has written over 150 books, including *The Bog Baby*, the *Paddington Movie* novelisation and *Tadpole's Promise*.

A young boy and a series of animals learn that as babies, they looked like little versions of their mothers and fathers, but a young bullfrog is horrified when he is shown a photograph of himself as a tadpole.

When two small sisters go fishing to the magic pond, they find something much better than a frog or a newt. They find a bog baby. Small and blue with wings like a dragon, the girls decide to make him their secret. I won't tell if you won't. But the bog baby is a wild thing, and when he becomes poorly, the girls decide they must tell their mum. And she tells them the greatest lesson, if you really love something, you have to let it go.

A pessimistic cow is so resistant to a lamb's attempts to cheer her up that the previously happy-go-lucky lamb starts to feel just like the miserable cow.

The Ology by best-selling children's author Marty Machowski is a stunningly illustrated beginner's theology book to help kids of all ages understand who God is and how we, as his children, relate to him. Arranged within a traditional systematic theological framework, each truth in *The Ology* is also connected to the larger redemptive story of Scripture. This storybook of systematic theology takes abstract concepts in the Bible and makes them easier to understand with the use of creative examples, illustrations, and analogies. *The Ology* is a starting point to learning theology and aims to create a hunger and desire in children to learn more as they grow older. Designed for six-year-olds through preteens, this flexible resource includes built-in adaptations so the entire families can enjoy it together. The story begins in the cellar of the old stone cathedral, where Carla and Timothy uncover a life-changing treasure: a carefully wrapped, ancient book known as *The Ology*. Young readers will discover a tale of adventure, mystery, and wonder, which will lead them to the truth about God, themselves, and the world around them. As a father to six children, Machowski knows how to intentionally create a vivid resource, full of analogies and word pictures to help kids grasp difficult theological concepts. Read *The Ology* to preschoolers; read it with grade-school kids, and let older kids discover the "hidden" truths by reading the corresponding Scripture passages for each section. However you read it, *The Ology* will give your children a gift that will last a lifetime—a solid foundation of transformative biblical truth that will point them to the God who loves them and gave himself for them. There is also a companion album to *The Ology* by Sovereign Grace Music that celebrates these wonderful theological truths through worship music that the whole family can enjoy.

Two children who desperately need to go try to figure out why there is such a long line for the bathroom.

