Don’t Mess With This Dad

Reading Objective: Children examine how the glass frog father protects his eggs and also discuss the stages of the frog life cycle.

Common Core Standards: SL.1.2 Discuss a video; RI.1.1 Key details; RI.1.2 Main Idea; RI.1.8 Text evidence; W.1.2 Writing; RI.1.10 Read and discuss first-grade texts

Science Focus: Frogs, Life cycles

Lesson Ideas

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1. Watch the Video and Think

- Before watching, ask: “What do you think baby frogs look like? Do they look like frogs, only smaller? Or do they look different?”
- After watching, ask, “What do you know about baby frogs now that you may not have before? How do they change as they grow?” Let kids turn and talk with a partner about what they noticed. Lead the group discussion back to the fact that frogs start their lives inside an egg! (SKILL: SL.1.2 Discuss a video)

2. Read and Think

- Read the issue together. Then project and discuss the reading checkpoint printable. (SKILLS: RI.1.1 Key details; RI.1.2 Main idea)

MORE LESSON EXTENSIONS

Printable: Write to Norbert!

- Norbert Know-It-All has another letter for your kids—this time he’s telling them all the “facts” about glass frogs! Write him back to practice using text evidence the fun way! (SKILLS: RI.1.8 Text evidence; W.1.2 Writing)

Frog Dad Comprehension Game

- Kids can help a glass frog dad protect his eggs with this game. When kids answer a question correctly, the frog kicks a hungry wasp away! KA-POW! (SKILL: RI.1.1 Key details)