

Five little speckled frogs

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Level 1 • Starter / Beginner +

Age: Primary (6–11)

Language aims: To read and sing a counting song; to practise numbers 1–5

Time: 30 minutes

Student grouping: Whole class

Materials: One copy of the worksheet per student; the audio (downloaded in advance or played via onestopenglish); large print-outs or drawings of five frogs and five bugs; Blu-Tack

Language focus: Numbers 1–5; *frog, log, cool, pool, speckled; eat, sit on, jump; delicious, bug, munch, lunch; nice, little, most*

Procedure

Step 1

Draw a log on the board. Stick a paper frog on it. Teach *log* and *frog*. Use coloured board pens to make speckles on the frog and the log. Teach *speckled*. Teach *sit on*. Stick a bug close to the frog. Teach *eat* and *bug*. Use a blue pen to draw a pool. Draw a sun and suggest *it's hot on the log but cool in the pool*. Teach *munch* and *jump* using mime.

Step 2

Explain you will teach the children a song about five frogs. Attach the paper frogs one by one and let the class count them, forwards and backwards. Say the frogs like to eat bugs. Stick your paper bugs on the board and have students count them, backwards and forwards.

Step 3

Play the song, 'Five Little Speckled Frogs', through once.

Step 4

Hand out the worksheet. Play the song again, teaching it line by line.

Step 5

Let the children sing the song several times.

Follow-up activity

Five of the children can act out the song, sitting on a 'log' made of coats or jumpers, while the rest of the class sings the song.

Transcript

FIVE little speckled frogs, Sit on a speckled log, Eating most delicious bugs, Munch, munch! One frog jumps in the pool, Now he is nice and cool, So now there are FOUR frogs, Eating bugs for lunch!

FOUR little speckled frogs ...

THREE little speckled frogs ...

TWO little speckled frogs ...

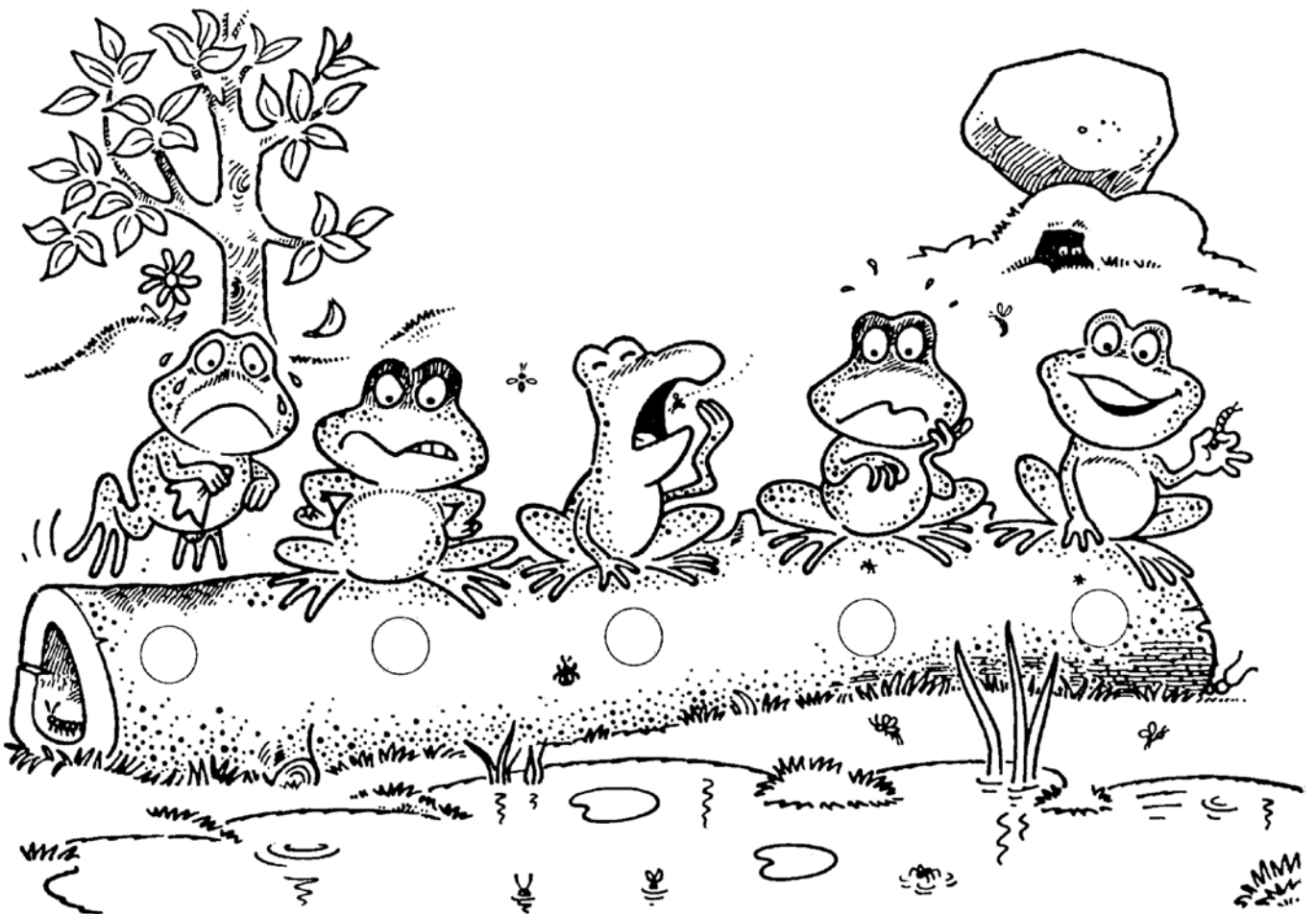
ONE little speckled frog, Sat on a speckled log, Eating most delicious bugs, Munch, munch! One frog jumps in the pool, Now he is nice and cool, So now there are NO frogs, Eating bugs for lunch!

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