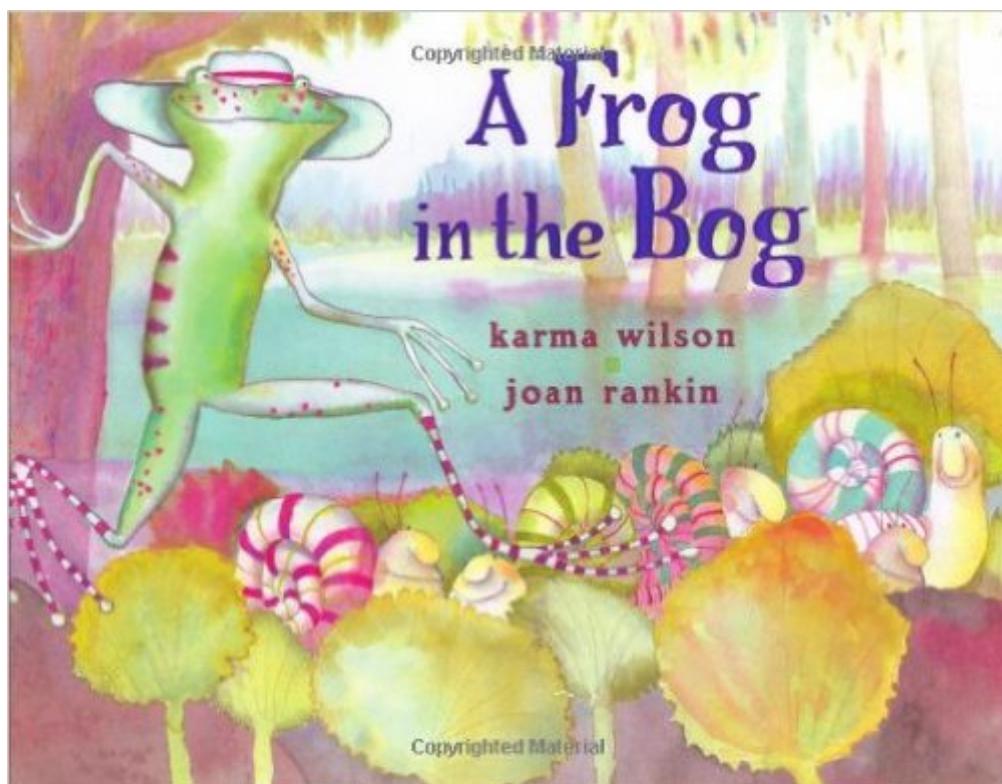


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A Frog In The Bog



Synopsis

There's a small, hungry frog sitting on the log in the middle of the bog. He flicks ONE tick off of a stick. He sees TWO fleas in the reeds. He spies THREE flies buzzing in the skies. The frog is feeling pretty fine, but then... the log in the middle of the bog starts to rise.... What a surprise!

Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

...My four-year old son clamors for it again and again. And why not? Karma Wilson and Joan Rankin's simple, yet witty tale of a frog that bites off more than he can chew is absolutely charming. From his insatiable appetite ("what a hog that frog") that slurps one tick, two fleas, three flies, four slugs and five snails right into an ever-expanding gullet, to the surprise of his life at the end of the tale, this frog on a half-sunk log in the middle of a bog is slimy fun. Not only are the watercolors by Rankin picture perfect and lighthearted, but the Cajun-inspired meter of Wilson's verse just lilts right off the old tongue, even if the closest you've ever been to "N'Awlins" is New York City. Everything in this book works, from the word play to the expressions on the faces of the bugs crammed inside the frog's stomach. Nothing gives me more pleasure than to have my child so excited to read a book, even if he's heard the story a thousand times. As a youngster starting to read in spurts, this book has encouraged him to read it all by himself. He wanted to make sure he knew all the words. What better recommendation can a parent give than that a book inspires a child to want to be a better

reader! I probably would not have picked this one up at first glance, but now I know that dad doesn't always judge books well by their covers. So I guess even a four-year old can teach a forty-two year old a thing or two about great literature. Get the book. Your kids will love it (as Justin Wilson, the Cajun Chef used to say), "I geh-rawn-tee!"

I first encountered this book at a local children's bookstore when it was read during story time. My 2-1/2 year old son loves this book. It is written in a wonderful "sing-song" style, which keeps my son's attention. The illustrations are really beautiful too. A wonderful book.

This is a very fun read! The rhyme has such a flow and pattern that's enjoyable to say and hear - it just rolls off your tongue. The illustrations are superb - the size of the pages and their images fill your vision with a multitude of wonderful colors, and the characters are adorable. And it's funny to boot! This has become one of the favorites in my house. Beautifully done!

I fell in love with this book the first time I saw it! Not only are the illustrations beautiful, but this is a clever counting story. Highly recommend.

This is one of those books that has everything going for it: great illustrations, a captivating story, and rhyming verses that are very pleasing to read aloud. The illustrations are particularly charming, done in soft watercolors with imaginative detail. The bog itself is a carnival of color where harlequin fleas romp among snails with candy-striped shells. The story, about a gluttonous frog and the creatures that wind up in his belly, is witty and entertaining throughout. The author make use of the repetitive style that young children love without being tedious. The ending has a cute surprise and a happy resolution for all. Truly fun to read, this book is the perfect length for a bedtime story (or two, or three!) My 3 year-old loves it, and I do, too. Really well done.

A Frog in the Bog by Karma Wilson and Joan Rankin is a delightful rhythmic children's book by the author that brought us The Bear Snores On. My students loved this book and were able to keep the beat throughout the story (provided I could keep up) and the twist at the end makes them giggle. This is a book that my students ask for over and over again. I recommend this book for kids 3-8

We love Karma Wilson. Hilda Must Be Dancing and The Cow Loves Cookies are special favorites in our house. But Wilson works with different illustrators and I don't like this one at all. The images are

not really like what you see on the cover. They get blobbier and fuzzier and less identifiable as the book goes on. Since this book has a lot of counting and specific animals/insects described in the text, it would be much better if the pictures were a clear representation of those things. I would not have bought the book if I'd seen the inside first, but I counted on Wilson's track record. Oh well.

...and believe me, you will. Some books have you groaning, "Not this one" when your kids bring them up to you; this is not one of those books. It's a really fun story that you and your kids will enjoy. I have two boys, 4 and 2, and they LOVE this book and I really like reading it to them. It should be in every little library.

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