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## My Life As A Blue Butterfly Beautiful Blue

Before I became a butterfly, I was a caterpillar. I was a cute blue caterpillar with cute stripes. When I was a beautiful caterpillar, I ate leaves and I wiggled every day. I hid from birds in the ground or sometimes in a tree. One bird almost got me. It was a cardinal and I got him by punching him in the nose.

My chrysalis was cute and shiny and purple. I became a beautiful butterfly. Now I fly around and around with my other family and friends and we play and have a good time.

We eat bacon pizza. Then we get thirsty and we fly down to drink some sprite. We live at CiCi's Pizza. We don't live a long time. We come out some-

times in the day and sometimes at night. We like doing the macarena and the cha-cha slide. And we take a bath and

teach us how to tell time. We learn how to read. They teach us how to do math. We go to the bathroom, and we wash our hands after we go. We take little snacks of fruit. We love the stars up in the sky.



slide down. We have our own beds on the clouds. We watch 'that's so raven' on TV and we play with mini baby dolls like bratz. We can sing and we sing country, rap, and church songs.

We go to insect school. They

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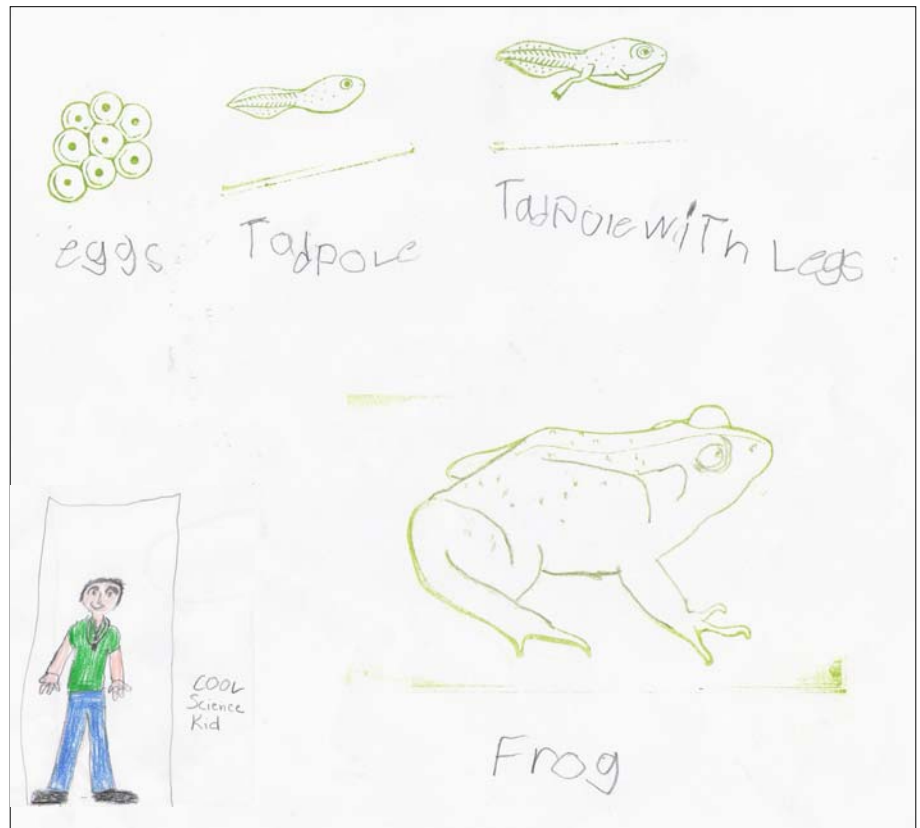
# Rribbit Rrrribbit

## Frog Life Cycle

Cool Science Kid, 8 yrs.

The male fertilizes thousands of soft, jelly-covered eggs that cling together in the cool pond. In about ten days, the eggs hatch into tadpoles. The tadpoles have gills. The tadpoles keep on eating until they get bigger. In the spring, they wake up hungry, so they swim and eat, eat and swim. Tiny hind legs begin to sprout. They grow longer and stronger while their tail grows shorter. All summer the tadpoles change more-lungs develop-and more-mouths and eyes grow larger-and more-until they become frogs. When their tails disappear, they use their strong legs and webbed feet to swim instead of their tails. They rest on lily pads and flick out their long, sticky tongues and catch caterpillars, worms, spiders, and dragonflies.

Adapted from *Tadpole to Frog*



Frog Life Cycle and Self Portrait by Cool Science Kid

## Tadpole School

Beautiful Blue

When I was little, I came out of an egg. I swam around the river. I saw birds, and little fishes. I ate macaroni and cheese. And drank pepsi. My mom and my two sisters and I swam a little bit. We played hide and seek, and I hid behind the rocks, and my mom found me. We went to tadpole school and we learned about animals and stuff. We even had homework! My teacher was a frog named Dr. Major. At recess, we hid and we went on the swings. My sister went to tadpole school, too. During the summer, I was growing up and when I became a frog, I jumped on the lily pads. It was fun, and I was a good jumper. I could jump really high. My sister and I could both jump really high and it felt good to jump. We had to hide from sharks and I hid inside a house that we built underwater.

The end.

# WHO AM I?

Monkey Man

My name means *nose horn*.

I am a fast mammal.

I can have 1 or 2 horns.

I live in a very hot place.

There are five different kinds of me.

You are the only one who can kill me. You've killed my kind so much that we're running out.

If you break my nose off, it will grow back.

I'm 3.5-6.5 feet tall at the shoulder.

I weigh 2,400-5,000 lbs.

Even though I weigh so much, I am a vegetarian.



A rhinoceros

## Botanical Bonanza

Super Students

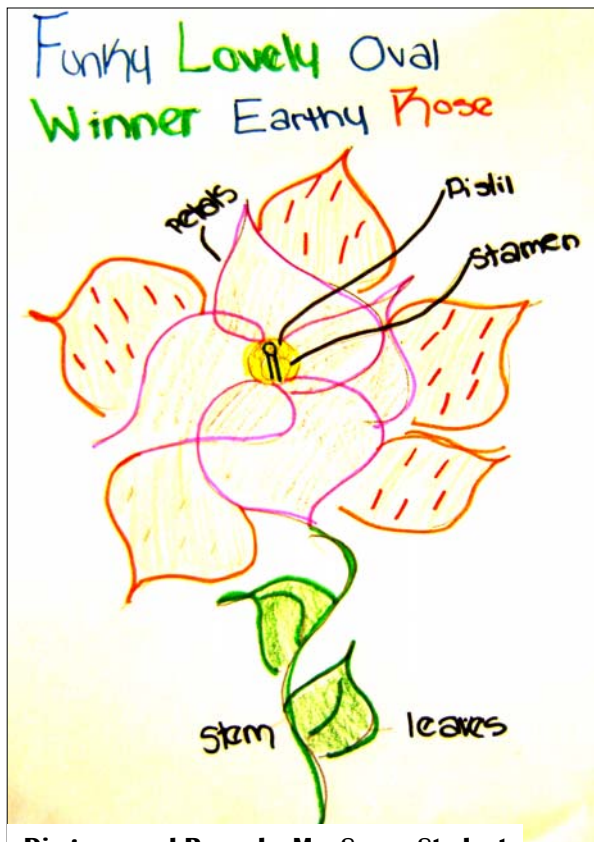


Diagram and Poem by Ms. Super Student

Here are our celery experiments. We put celery in blue water to see what would happen...



Look at how the xylem (the part of a plant that transports water) pulled the blue water all the way into the leaves!



# Artistic Impressions

Fantastic Articulate Artist, 15 yrs



**This is a Jack-in-the-Pulpit, other names are Indian Turnip or Dragon Turnip. The flowering part can come in green, pale pink, or pinkish purple.**

**This is a perennial plant that blooms from a bulb from March-April.**

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