

„The Adventures of Froggy the Frog, Sally the Salamander and Newton the Newt”

It was a nice sunny afternoon in Wonder Ponds. Everything was peaceful and quiet.

- 'Ribbit!' A sudden sound woke up Froggy the Frog who was sound asleep. He opened one eye and quickly closed it, hoping the other frogs didn't hear anything, but he was wrong.

- 'Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Riiiiibbit! Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiibbit!' the frog choir replied.

- 'Oh, come on, guys! I want to sleep! Please, be quiet!' Froggy the Frog begged them.



- 'Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit!' - the frogs wouldn't stop.

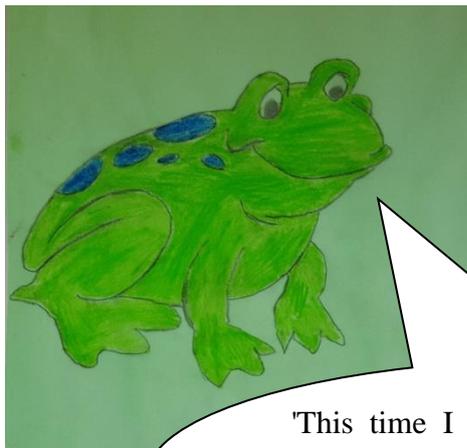
- 'For goodness sake! Will you stop it? It's nap time!' Sally the Salamander shouted.

- 'No! It's Ribbit Song time! Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiibbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit! Ribbit!' - the frogs sang happily.

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'Froggy, do something!' cried Newton the Newt. 'It's unbearable!'



'This time I am going to do something,' said Froggy the Frog packing his things, 'I'm getting out of here!'

- 'What?' Sally the Salamander was surprised.

- 'Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiibbit?' the frogs stopped their song.

'But, where would you go? What if you meet a snake? It's a dangerous world out there.' - Sally the Salamander got upset. She was scared of everything, sometimes even of her own shadow.



'I don't believe you. You wouldn't dare. You will come back before dinner.' - said Newton the Newt who was a sceptic by nature. He was old and grumpy, but deep down he was kind-hearted.

But Froggy the Frog just waved at them and set off.

Newton the Newt went home, the frogs continued singing their song, but Sally the Salamander was very worried. Froggy the Frog was her best friend. They took long walks together enjoying the beautiful nature of Wonder Ponds. She wasn't afraid when he was around. How was she going to live without him?

She knocked on Newton the Newt's door.

'Newton, I'm so scared! Froggy is out there all alone! Please, let's go and find him! Maybe he is in danger! Maybe he is hungry! Maybe he is DEAD!' cried Sally the Salamander.

'Don't worry, Sally. He's probably waiting around the corner to come back. He can't live without a pond. His family and friends are here.' - replied Newton the Newt calmly. He was older and wiser than everybody in Wonder Ponds. His voice was usually enough to calm down Sally the Salamander, but this time she was inconsolable.

'Please, please, Newton, let's go after him!'

'OK, Sally, but first stop crying.' - said Newton the Newt. He was sure that they would find him in no time.

Sally the Salamander and Newton the Newt left Wonder Ponds with the frogs looking at them in wonder.

They were looking for a long time, until finally they said that they would look into the endemic, cave friend...approaching the cave, they heard a conversation, and they met the voice of Frog. Everyone was happy to meet.



Proteus – endemic amphibia, regretfully told his friends that he regrets that he can not see and learn about the world outside the cave.

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There was an idea in Sall's head! He exclaimed: we will set out on a journey and tell you everything! Froggy and Newton were happy about this crazy adventure and together they moved towards the unknown...

First stop: Africa

Froggy, Sally and Newton traveled to Africa together to get to know a new culture. Later they shared this story with Proteus. First they went to Egypt to visit pyramids and desert. It was summer time so it was very hot there. On the road they met a little boy, his name was Michael. He told them about camel races which are very popular in Egypt from April to October. He was very excited about it, we were as well. They went to the Pharaoh pyramid, it was dark inside but still beautiful. Froggy, Sally and Newton were little bit scared. They were about half an hour inside the pyramid and they went out to stay a bit in front of it on the desert.

Next day they decided to go to Nigeria through Sudan and Chad. They were eating a lot of fresh fruits and vegetables. Friends decided to stay in Abuja, the capital of Nigeria because they liked high buildings there. They climbed to the mountain named Zuma Rock. Amphibians went to visit old schools for disabled children in Sudan and Chad. They brought sweets and gifts from Egypt. Children

were enjoying a lot. They spent 3 days together, they promised to come back there again. Then they went to Republic of Kongo where they visited old market with amazing souvenirs. They bought some gifts for their families. This place was very sunny and people there had a lot of energy, you could notice that they are happy.



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Third place which they visited was Zambia, country of kind and warm people. Amphibians could admire wonderful views there and lakes, mountains, big deserts and rivers. On the way for the dinner a big tiger appeared on their road, they got scared but managed to avoid him, he was very lazy tiger- fortunately. Almost every day they enjoyed eating fresh mango, bananas and coconuts. There was very, very hot so they needed much water to survive. Victorian waterfalls were the best tourist attraction for them in Zambia, they even could swim there but water was cold.

Later they fall sick so they went to Tanzania for a special medicine (prepared from coconut) which could help them. They again were healthy and happy, ready for new adventures.



Unfortunately, travelers were not as lucky as before, because after twenty minutes on the road they found themselves in claws aviceda cuculoides who flew so long that Sally, Froggy and Newton managed to fall asleep, Later they woke up from a great height, it turned out that amphibians were dropped far away their previous place where they were and they were caught. Friends turned around and saw the great hemisphere covered with grass (a bit like the teletubbies) Sally recognized in this Cradle of Humankind caves from the old era. Suddenly, the salamander shouted – ‘We are in South Africa!’ - and everyone was happy to run towards the historic building.

Froggy saw a flying balloon with helium, which most likely fell out of the girl. They all caught him together and flew towards the clouds.

They landed next to the caves of the Proteus. They told their friends about their adventures, and then they made a fire because it was getting dark. They were hungry, so they baked sausages. Then quickly went to sleep, because they were a very tired after such a hard day.

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After that, when they got up in the morning, they finished their story, this time telling about the monuments they saw. They started with the Pyramids of the Pharaohs. Proteus was amused, that everyone was afraid of the darkness. He was curious when Sally said how dark it was! Then described in detail every desert they saw. At the end, they told about the historic building. They already knew, that they were in South Africa. They finished their story not as fast as it seemed to them. Now, they enjoyed the adventure. Friends had to move in search of further adventures, so they happily said goodbye to Proteus. They walked in the desert, along the river, in the fields, and finally stopped. Newton wanted to drink and Sally was very hungry, but they did not have enough supplies. They were looking for something that they could hunt down and eat. Sally managed to see a field full of fruits, but he did not know exactly what it was. They came closer and saw a strange seeds fell from the trees. Froggy began to doubt what Newton had told them. Then everything in this field



suddenly looked at them, and Froggy shouted: "Meerkats!"- Sally liked meerkats very much and he ran to them quickly and hugged one of them. Animal, unused to people, bite him in the neck. Sally became a very ill and the travelers could not go any further. They waited a few days until he feel better. After Sally's recovery, they decided to stop their journey for fear of the health of their companion.

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They travelled on the bumper of one of the cars to move forward faster, and that's how they reached Sudan, precisely the harbour where they ate dinner and later continued the trip.

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They found the Tree Association Stadium where they watched a game and had some fun. At the end of the game, all four fell asleep. They woke up in the morning and scared the cleaner who started to chase them. Luckily, they managed to run away and immediately continued the trip to the next country. It was Chad. They found an interesting museum, the National Museum of Chad and visited it. The floor of the museum was very slippery. They decided to make some fun and started to slide. Unfortunately, the Toad hit a statue which fell on another and the next and so on, like a domino. The last statue hit the window and broke it. They ran away through the broken window.

They moved towards the next country through a river. They reached Cameroun. They went to visit Waza National Park. They were admiring the beauty of nature when Salamander starred at the flowers and lost the rest of the group. Frog noticed that something was wrong and went to look for her. At the same time, Froggy and Newton joined her as they were afraid they would not find each other later if they split.

After a long search, they all met at the café. They decided to leave this terrible place and go to the capital of Cameroun – Yaounde. They reached it in the evening and went immediately to the Charles Atangana Statue. They were very tired after the long journey. They found an empty bag and went to sleep in it.

Next day, they found a flyer about dolphins show at Malabo island. They took a ferry to the island and went to an entertainment park to see the show. After the show, they went to one of the dolphins to ask it how to get to Nigeria. The dolphin told them that soon a ferry will be sailing out to one of the harbours in Nigeria. They thanked him and ran to the indicated place not to miss the ferry. On the ferry, they had time to rest, sleep and eat something. It was very hot, so they had to look for a place in the shade. The trip was very long, however, they finally reached Lagos the former capital city of Nigeria. Lagos turned out to be a very big city, so it was easy for them to find a truck that took them to the capital city – Abuja. Abuja also turned out to be a very big city, so they decided to look for some attraction.

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Australian adventure of Froggy, Sally and Newton

It was a quiet, holiday day. Our amphibians spending time now in Australia, just woke up after an afternoon snooze. They were going to go to the Blue Stake, where the day before they had spent a wonderful evening at sunset. Everything went according to the plan. Froggy and Sally were already leaving the cave, but then frightened Newton came and shouted:



- We can't go there, let's get back to the grotto quickly!!

- Why? - both surprised amphibians asked.

- When I was walking by the cave "Almiesa" I had met three frightened salamanders. They turned towards me and stood by the corner, just behind me. I decided to ask what was going on. Sleepy, tired of running and frightened salamanders told me a terrifying story about a new inhabitant of the Blue Pond. They told how they had been lying quietly in the grass and suddenly they had heard loud "riiiiiiiibit" – not only loud but also close to them. The voice they heard was very low. They instinctively turned back, looked at the

grass and saw a huge shadow, which looked like a big bird. I learned just a bit because they had escaped at that moment.

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- Och, Newton. Think a bit, the birds don't rechant. - Sally said.

- However there's something there. - Newton didn't want to pass.

- Okay, then we'll check it out ourselves.

Interested but a bit frightened Newton followed his companions. When they reached the pond, they didn't find anyone nobody. There was no living soul. So they decided to enter the cave and to check what are the other so scared of. Unfortunately, they found no one in the cave either. There is only one option left - to walk around the lake. However, they did not need to do it. When they were leaving the cave and they encountered a big, grey, slimy and pimple toad on their way. Its shadow looked like a bird's one because of its bulging eyes. At the moment of eye-catching both sides jumped up from fear.

- I..., I..., I didn't want to frighten you. – The comer called upin thick voice.

- Who are you? – Sally asked politely.

- I'm a guest here. Sorry... I was supposed to be. – He corrected himself. - My name is Merci. I wanted to visit Australia, but everyone who sees me escapes because of my appearance. So I'm hiding here in the cave. I don't want to hurt anyone. I don't have friends.

- Do you mind if we will be? – Froggy asked.

- Do you really want it? – Merci was excited about it.

- Clearly yes! - The chorus sounded.

- Now it's enough to tell everyone that you're not dangerous at all, you just want to have friends - Newton concluded.

All went together towards the water to spend there wonderful hours on reckless fun.

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South America & amphibians

Our heroes reached South America by plane and landed in Brazil, where they traveled on the back of an eagle in the Amazon forest. After 5 hours, they reached the Paco de Liberdade museum.



And there they spent a peaceful and starry night. As soon as the sun rose our heroes went on a further trip to Argentina. Traveling with their friend eagle, they arrived in Paraguay, where they unfortunately had to rest because the eagle could not fly any more. Our heroes praised him very much and they

said that he could rest and they had to go on and finally they will have to travel a long distance since they have to visit almost the whole America. They moved on after over a dozen days of moving with different means of transport, they saw the first skyscrapers of Argentina. In the city they found a very good restaurant, where they ate a very good and nutritious dinner. They found the right treehouse for themselves. The next day they went to the local casino because they needed money. They put everything they had, they all had \$ 20, unfortunately they had no luck and lost all their money. To make the thing worse, the bad eagle took them away and carried them to their nest in the baobab. From where, their friend the eagle freed them. He told them that he had regained his strength and could fly. From there, they flew to Peru.

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Our heroes visited a big part of world. They were very proud of themselves. They flew to Croatia to their friend Proteus. They sat on the couch and started looking at the photos from their adventures – these days were the best days of their lives!

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