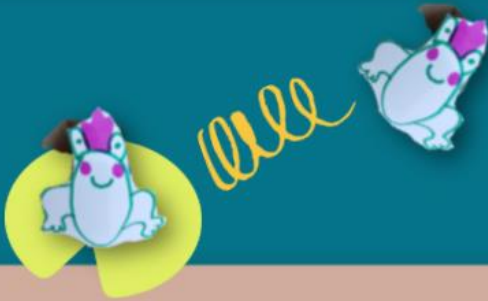
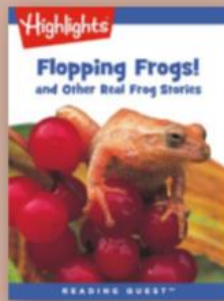


# MAKE A JUMPING FROG!



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**CURIOUS ABOUT FROGS?  
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**FOR THIS PROJECT, YOU WILL NEED:**



**cardboard tube**



**scissors**



**paper**



**marker or pen**



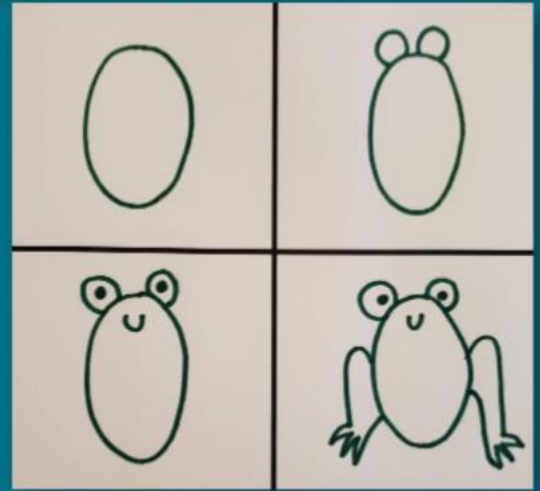
**rubberband**



**tape**

# LET'S GET STARTED!

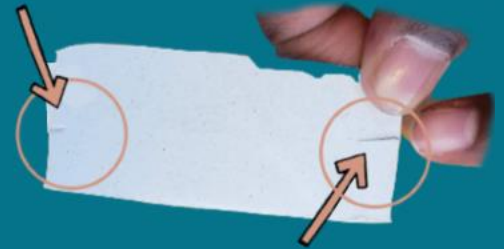
1 Draw a frog in any way you wish. Color and decorate it, then cut it out. Set it aside for later.



2 Flatten the tube and cut a narrow strip from it.



3 Take the smaller piece of tube and cut small notches (big enough for the rubberband to fit through) in the creased ends.



4 Stretch the rubberband a few times, then cut it so it's not a circle anymore.

5 Feed the ends of the rubberband through the notches in the tube so it looks like this.





6 Snip some of the rubberband overhang, then tape the rubberband to the sides of the tube.



7 Test your jumper: Position the tube so that the rubberband is parallel to the table surface and stretches when you push down on the outside of the tube.

**PUSH  
HERE**



8 Put one finger on the edge of the tube to hold it down. Then quickly snap your finger off the tube.



9 Did you get a good jump? If you like how it works, tape your frog to the top of the jumper.

If not, experiment with the tension on the rubberband until you get a good jump.



## **KEEP PLAYING!**

*Use other recyclables (hint: a cross-section from a cardboard box with even sides works well) to make bigger jumpers!*

