

Q LANGUAGE DETECTIVE

Talk About Words Work with a partner. Use two of the blue words in the same complete sentence.

Words to Know



- Read each Context Card.
- Ask a question that uses one of the blue words.

second

The boy is trying to tie his second sneaker.



ball

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She practiced until she could hit the ball well.



across

The runners dashed across the finish line.

3



head

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He hit the ball with his head to make a goal.



beard The children heard clapping at the end.



Iarge
It was not too hard to

ride up the large hill.



should

The teacher said that she should try again.



Cried
"We can do it!" cried
the team.



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Read and Comprehend



Story Structure A story has different parts. **Characters** are the people and animals in a story. The **setting** is when and where a story takes place. The **plot** tells about the problem the characters have and how they solve it. Use a story map to tell about the characters, setting, and plot.

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TARGET STRATEGY

Infer/Predict Use text evidence to figure out more about the story and to think of what might happen next.

Weather

Weather can cause problems. Storms can damage homes. Too much rain can lead to floods. The weather can also help us. Rain helps crops grow. Wind helps us fly kites. You will find out if the wind helps Frog and Toad in **The Kite**.

📿 Think Pair Share

What are some other ways that weather helps us? Think about it. Complete the sentences. Share with a partner.

Weather helps us ____. Weather doesn't help us ____. ___ is better than ____

Lesson 28 ANCHOR TEXT



🗹 GENRE

A **fantasy** story could not happen in real life. As you read, look for:

- events that could not really happen
- animals who talk and act like people



Meet the Author and Illustrator

Arnold Lobel

Arnold Lobel drew many animals before he came up with the Frog and Toad characters. During vacations with his family in Vermont, Mr. Lobel watched his children play with frogs and toads. Soon the animals were starring in his books.



The Kite from Days with Frog and Toad

by Arnold Lobel



ESSENTIAL QUESTION

How can weather change your day?



Frog and Toad went out to fly a kite.

They went to a large meadow where the wind was strong.

"Our kite will fly up and up," said Frog.

"It will fly all the way up to the top of the sky." "Toad," said Frog, "I will hold the ball of string. You hold the kite and run." Toad ran across the meadow. He ran as fast as his short legs could carry him. The kite went up in the air. It fell to the ground with a bump. Toad heard laughter.

Three robins were sitting in a bush.



"That kite will not fly," said the robins. "You may as well give up."



Toad ran back to Frog. "Frog," said Toad, "this kite will not fly. I give up."

ANALYZE THE TEXT

Story Structure What problem do Frog and Toad have?

"We must make a second try," said Frog. "Wave the kite over your head. Perhaps that will make it fly."



Toad ran back across the meadow. He waved the kite over his head. The kite went up in the air and then fell down with a thud. "What a joke!" said the robins. "That kite will never get off the ground."



Toad ran back to Frog. "This kite is a joke," he said. "It will never get off the ground." "We have to make a third try," said Frog. "Wave the kite over your head and jump up and down. Perhaps that will make it fly." Toad ran across the meadow again. He waved the kite over his head. He jumped up and down. The kite went up in the air and crashed down into the grass.



"That kite is junk," said the robins. "Throw it away and go home." Toad ran back to Frog. "This kite is junk," he said. "I think we should throw it away and go home."



"Toad," said Frog, "we need one more try. Wave the kite over your head. Jump up and down and shout UP KITE UP." Toad ran across the meadow. He waved the kite over his head. He jumped up and down.

He shouted, "UP KITE UP!"



The kite flew into the air. It climbed higher and higher. "We did it!" cried Toad.

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"Yes," said Frog. "If a running try did not work, a running and waving try did not work, and a running, waving, and jumping try did not work, I knew that a running, waving, jumping, and shouting try just had to work."

ANALYZE THE TEXT

Genre: Fantasy How is this story different from What Can You Do?



The robins flew out of the bush. But they could not fly as high as the kite. Frog and Toad sat and watched their kite. It seemed to be flying way up at the top of the sky.

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Q BE A READING DETECTIVE



Dig Deeper



Use Clues to Analyze the Text Use these pages to learn about Story Structure and Fantasy. Then read The Kite again.

Story Structure

Characters are the people and animals in a story. The **setting** is when and where a story takes place. Where do Frog and Toad try to fly their kite? Is it day or night? The **plot** is the important events. Think about Frog and Toad's problem. How do they solve it? Use a story map to list the parts of the story.



Genre: Fantasy

Think about the people in **What Can You Do?** from Lesson 27. How are they different from the characters in **The Kite**?

The Kite is a fantasy. The story events could not happen in real life. In this story, Frog and Toad talk to each other and do things that people would do. How would a real frog or toad act?





Your Turn

RETURN TO THE ESSENTIAL QUESTION



How can weather change your day? How does the weather change Frog and

Toad's day? How is the setting important to what happens? Describe the setting using text evidence such as words and pictures.

Classroom Conversation

Talk about these questions with your class.

- 1 How do the robins act toward Frog and Toad?
- What do Frog and Toad do to try to get the kite to fly?
- 3 What really makes the kite fly?

WRITE ABOUT READING ...



Response Write sentences to describe how Frog and Toad are alike and how they are different. Use words and pictures from the story for ideas.



Writing Tip

You can use **like** and **and** to tell how things are alike. Use **not** and **but** to tell how things are different.



GENRE

Informational text gives facts about a topic. Find facts about weather in this article.

TEXT FOCUS

A **graph** is a drawing that uses numbers, colors, pictures, or symbols to give information. What does the graph on p. 108 show?



There are different tools for measuring weather.

Have you ever heard of a windsock? It shows which way the wind blows.

A rain gauge measures how much rain falls. A large storm will bring a lot of rain.





A thermometer measures temperature. Temperature is how warm or cool something is.

On a hot day, you and your friends might like to ride bikes or play ball.

On a cold day, you might want to put on a coat and play in the leaves or build a snowman.

When you know the temperature, you know what to wear.



Look at the bars across the graph. Each bar shows the temperature for a day. Which day was the hottest? Which day was the coolest? What was the temperature on the second day of the week?



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Write to Describe Think about what you learned in Measuring Weather. What was the weather like when Frog and Toad flew a kite? Write about it.

TEXT TO SELF

Tell Where You Live Draw a picture that shows the different kinds of weather in your state. Tell about it.

TEXT TO WORLD

Compare Stories Frog and Toad like the outdoors. How is **The Garden** from Lesson 21 like **The Kite**? How is it different? How do the characters act?



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Grammar

Kinds of Adjectives Some adjectives describe by telling how things taste, smell, sound, or feel.

Taste	We ate sweet berries before we flew kites.
Smell	The air smelled fresh and clean .
Sound	We gave a loud cheer when our kites flew up!
Feel	The warm sun shined down on us.





Work with a partner. Find the adjective in each sentence. Decide if it tells how something tastes, smells, sounds, or feels. Then use the adjective in a new sentence.

- 1. Sam shared his sour pickles at our picnic.
- 2. Our kites flew in the cool breeze.
- 3. Some crickets made noisy chirps.
- 4. We ate some salty chips.
- 5. Our pie smelled delicious!

Connect Grammar to Writing

When you revise your writing, look for places to add adjectives to tell how things taste, smell, sound, or feel.

Opinion Writing

Elaboration When you write opinion sentences, don't keep using the same words. Use different words to tell more.

Matt wrote about the robins. Later, he changed words to make his ideas clearer.



my **Write**Smart

Revised Draft

The three robins were mean. laughed at Frog and Toad. They did mean things.

Writing Checklist

Elaboration Did I add adjectives and other exact words to make my ideas clear?



Did I write reasons that explain my opinion?



Does my last sentence retell the main idea?



Which words in Matt's final copy explain how the robins were mean? Now revise your own writing. Use the Checklist.





The Mean Robins

The three robins in the story <u>The Kite</u> were mean. They laughed at Frog and Toad. The noisy, rude robins said that Frog and Toad's kite was junk. I would not like to be friends with those mean robins.