Tony on the Moon's Children's Picture Books

Barnaby Frog Learns to Swim



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They are designed to be easily read on a computer and can be printed on standard A4 size paper (landscape format)

The Books

This is part of a series of small books is arranged in groups of difficulty ranging from 1 to 6. The easiest is group 1, the hardest group 5. It is not just that group 1's are shorter, they are the easiest to read or be spoken. They gradually rise to group 5 which have lots more text and much more complex concepts. There is no bad language or offensive words anywhere in these books.

- 1 short simple big pictures
- 2 longer stories with more text
- 3 slightly higher level than 2
- 4 more stories with pictures a lot more text
- 5 short stories for teenage to adults



Barnaby Frog he lived in a barn Which is why he was called Barnaby He lived with a pig A horse and six chickens Barnaby loved it Even with all the clucking





Barnaby Frog could jump very high He could jump over the pump That stood in the yard He could jump twice as high For a nice juicy fly And almost took flight If the cow tried to lick him Barnaby Frog Could sing like a charm Well more like a frog I really suppose But he was the loudest of frogs That ever there was It would frighten even The bravest of dogs



Barnaby Frog Was an odd sort of chap Quite strange for a frog He hated the rain He would not go near The pond or the lake Too frightened to tell He had not learnt to swim





On Barnaby Frog It started to rain He looked for a place To hide once again The rain became heavy He had to get dry But Barnaby hid In a rainwater spout With a gurgle and splutter The water came down Washed Barnaby Frog Almost clean out of town In tumbling water He was pushed all around In the big farmers pond He was finally found



Feeling like lead Through the water he fell He sat on the bottom Alone and not well He knew this was it The end was at hand Where Barnaby frog Was sure to be drowned





Sitting dejected A miserable fellow When there on the surface He spotted a fly Not stopping to think He leaped for the meal He gobbled it up With relish and zeal



Somewhere he floated Around in the pond He could not go up He could not go down All he could do Was kick out his legs But Barnaby found He was swimming around He swam past a toad Said how do you do Swam past a fish Said hi little fish, Found an old frog Ask why am I not dead He said you are doing What every frog does



Barnaby sat In the Lilly pad group Dozens of frogs Sat singing at dusk Barnaby Frog Was happy as pie Raindrops were falling Down from the sky



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About these books

This series of books was designed with two functions in mind :-

Firstly as a reading resource for primary education at schools and for private tuition. They are graded from simple picture books to full text short stories. The layout is simple and designed to be fun and downloaded so they may be used without being connected to the internet.

The layout and text is designed for easy reading on computer screens. Instructors and parents can be assured there is nothing in these books that not suitable for young children.



Secondly or possibly primarily, somewhere for my little cartoon characters to live. I have been a draftsman for many years and during idle moments and in meetings, especially in meetings, little characters get doodled. These characters seem to take on a little life of their own and hang around in the mind until they eventually find a home in a story. They then seem to go away until the next one comes along. These books and the original web site is somewhere to share these little cartoon characters with. If they give anybody a little enjoyment then I am well pleased.

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