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## WANT A FROGSICLE?



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### HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT A FROG THAT MAKES ITSELF SWEET AND THEN FREEZES?

#### TRULY AMAZING!

The wood frog is the only frog that can live north of the Arctic Circle — and a lot of them congregate in Alaska. In fact, it is one of only two frog species in the 49th state.

Think tiny too. The frogs are between 2 and 3 inches (5-7.6 cm) long and they're kind of funny because instead of making a croaking sound, their call sounds more like they're quacking.

But these tiny frogs have a problem — they live where the weather can get very, very, VERY cold and the little froggies freeze.

#### SO WHAT DO THEY DO?

Before the winter arrives, their livers convert glycogen into glucose — since glucose is a type of sugar it's as if they turn into sweet frogs.

After a while, their feet get cold and that is a trigger for the glucose to release into the blood stream. (It's kind of like the frog makes its own antifreeze.)

Next they find a hole to snuggle in and 35-45 percent of their bodies freeze so that they look like a lump of ice — make that frog-shaped ice — a frozen frogsicle.

When spring arrives, the wood frogs unfreeze and in just a few hours they are once again hopping around.

How can anyone believe this all just happened? God's creation is so fantasawesome (I made up that word). He thought about the tiny little wood frogs and gave them the ability to survive through the cold winters. When's the last time you thanked God for the wonderful world He gave us to enjoy?

Psalm 148:10,13-14: *Beast, and all cattle; creeping things and flying fowl. Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven. (NKJV)*

## MATCH THE PEOPLE IN THE LEFT COLUMN WITH THEIR RELATIVE -

It might be their wife, husband, brother or sister, uncle, aunt, mom or dad.

You'll know some of them pretty quickly. There will be some you'll have to do a little reading and research.

brother/sister	Miriam	Moses
husband/wife	Mary	Joseph
husband/wife	Ruth	Boaz
brothers	Esaú	Jacob
brothers	Mordecai	Esther
brothers	John	James
father/son	Manoah	Samson
husband/wife	Sarah	Abraham
son/mother	Jecoliah	Uzziah
father/son	Peter	Jonas
mother/son	Benjamin	Rachel
son/mother	Eunice	Timothy

MOSES	JECOLIAH
JOSEPH	ESAU
BOAZ	EUNICE
JACOB	JOHN
ESTHER	MORDECAI
JAMES	PETER
SAMSON	MARY
ABRAHAM	RUTH
UZZIAH	SARAH
JONAS	BENJAMIN
RACHEL	MANOAH
TIMOTHY	MIRIAM

We asked the clubbers at **CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH IN FISHERSVILLE, VIRGINIA:** What's so great about living in your state? (We already know some things — they have a lot of fun, historical places like Jamestown and Williamsburg, and they also border the Atlantic Ocean.) But here's what they appreciate!

- My friends (Katie, age 8)
- My church (Emma, age 8)
- Lots of malls (Madi, age 8)
- It's very peaceful and beautiful. (Rebekah, age 9)
- The city pool (Sabastian, age 9)
- The trees and mountains (Kaitlyn, age 11; Patrick, age 9)
- The good food (Brandon, age 9)
- My Christian school (Suzy, age 9)
- Ice skating (Melanie, age 10)
- My friends, family and scenery (Allie, age 10; Austin, age 11)
- It's beautiful and has lots of shops. (Mary-Elizabeth, age 10)
- Being able to go to church (Carter, age 9)
- Home (Jenna, age 10)





Once you practice a verse, repeat it every hour. As the clock clicks to 12:00 or 1:00 or 2:00 or whenever, repeat the verse. **AFTER DOING THIS FOR A FEW DAYS - YOU SHOULD KNOW YOUR VERSE WELL!**

## DID YOU KNOW?

- The goliath frog of West Africa is the largest frog — some are more than a foot (30 cm) long and can weigh up to 7 pounds (3 kg).
- A Cuban tree frog is the smallest at ½ inch (1.5 cm) long.
- Four thousand species of frogs inhabit the earth. (That's a lot of frogs!)
- Frogs (because of those round, weird eyes) can see to the side, front and sort of in the back.
- The Australian water-holding frog can last through seven years of drought.



**WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE FROG DIDN'T PAY THE PARKING METER?**

He got toad.

**WHAT DOES A MECHANICAL FROG SAY?**

Robot. Robot.

**WHY ARE FROGS ALWAYS SO HAPPY?**

If something bugs them, they eat it.

**HA! HA! HA!**

**WHAT DOES A LONG-EARED FROG SAY?**

Rabbit. Rabbit.

**WHAT DOES A FROG THIEF SAY?**

Rob it. Rob it.