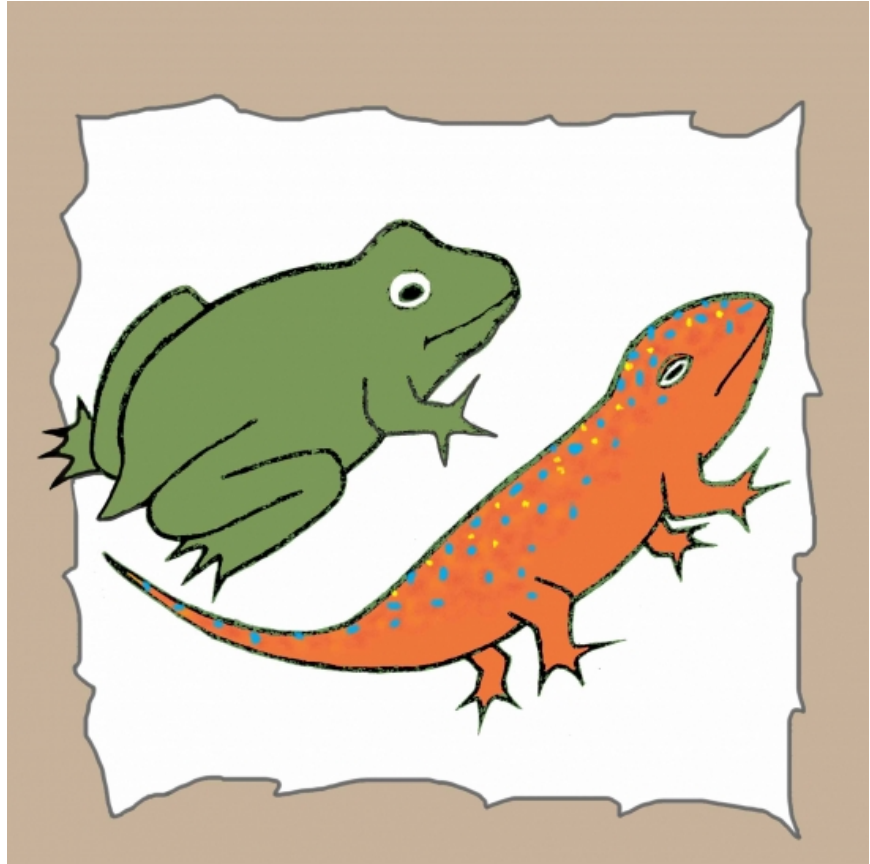


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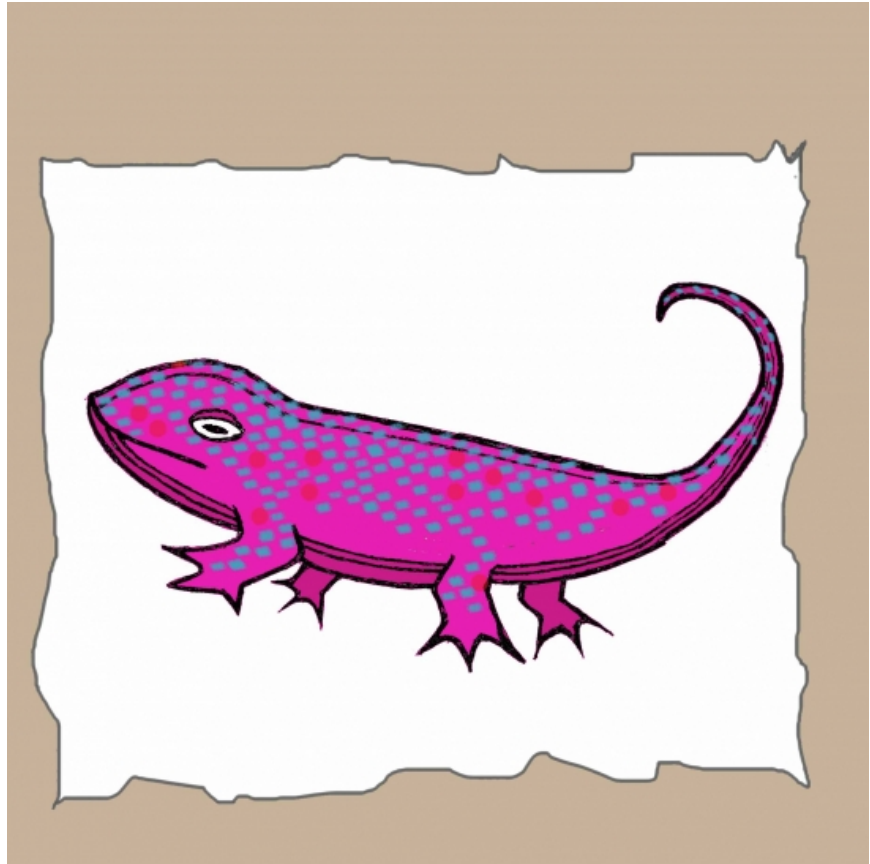
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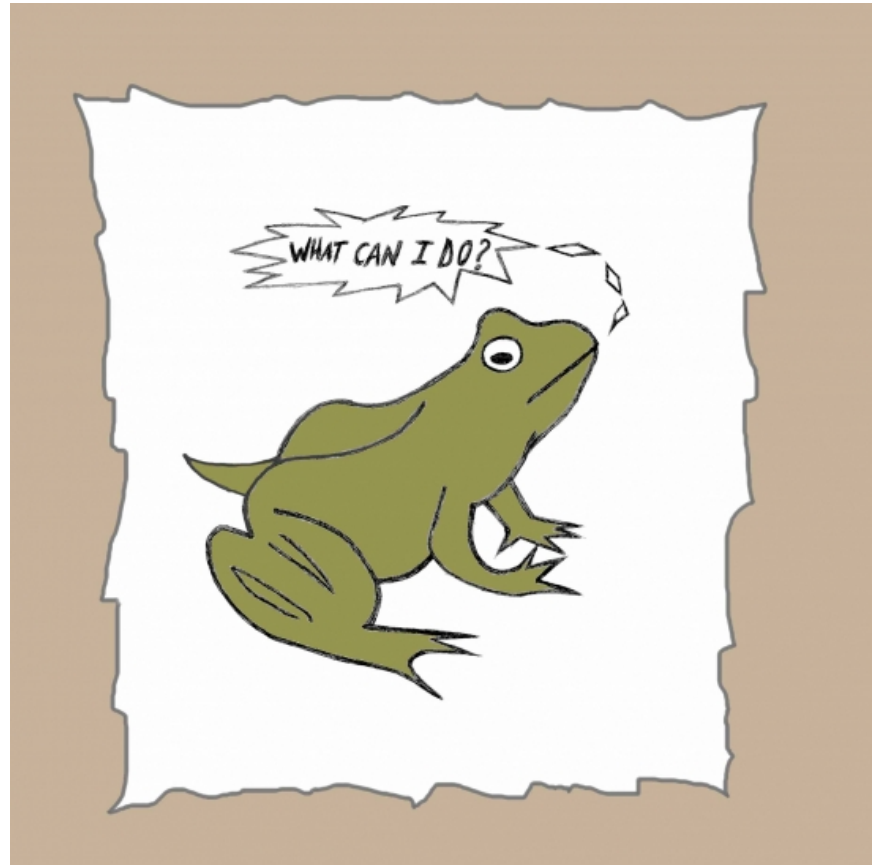
Many years ago, the Lizard and the Frog were friends. One day they decided to look for girlfriends in the city.



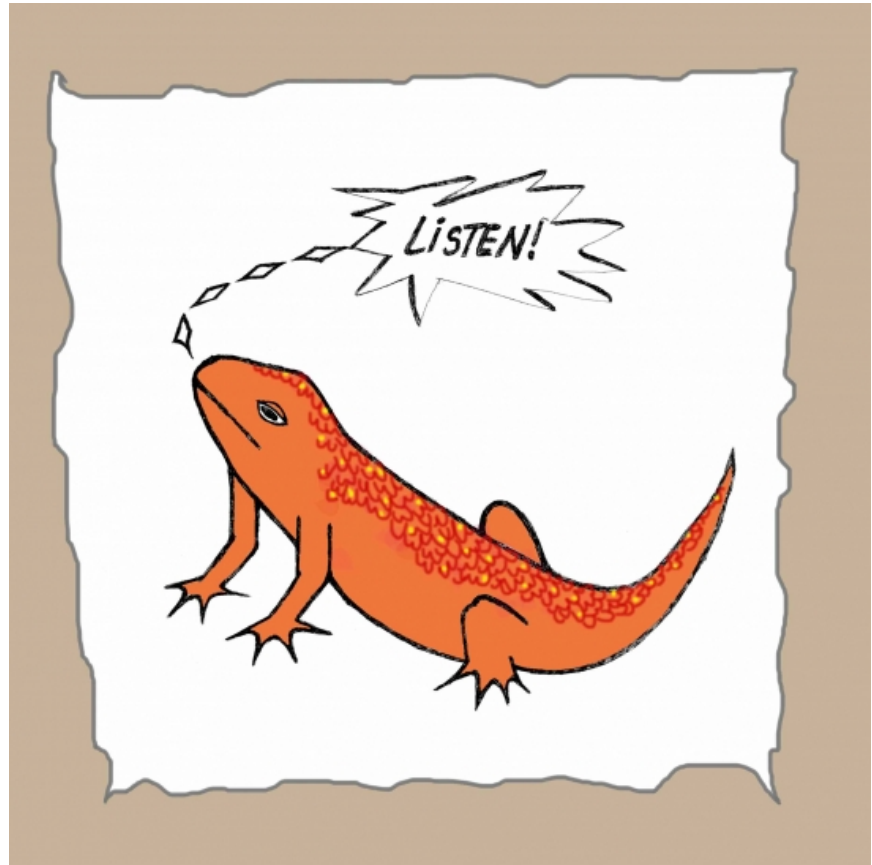
The Frog was jealous  
of the Lizard's shining  
and brilliant skin.



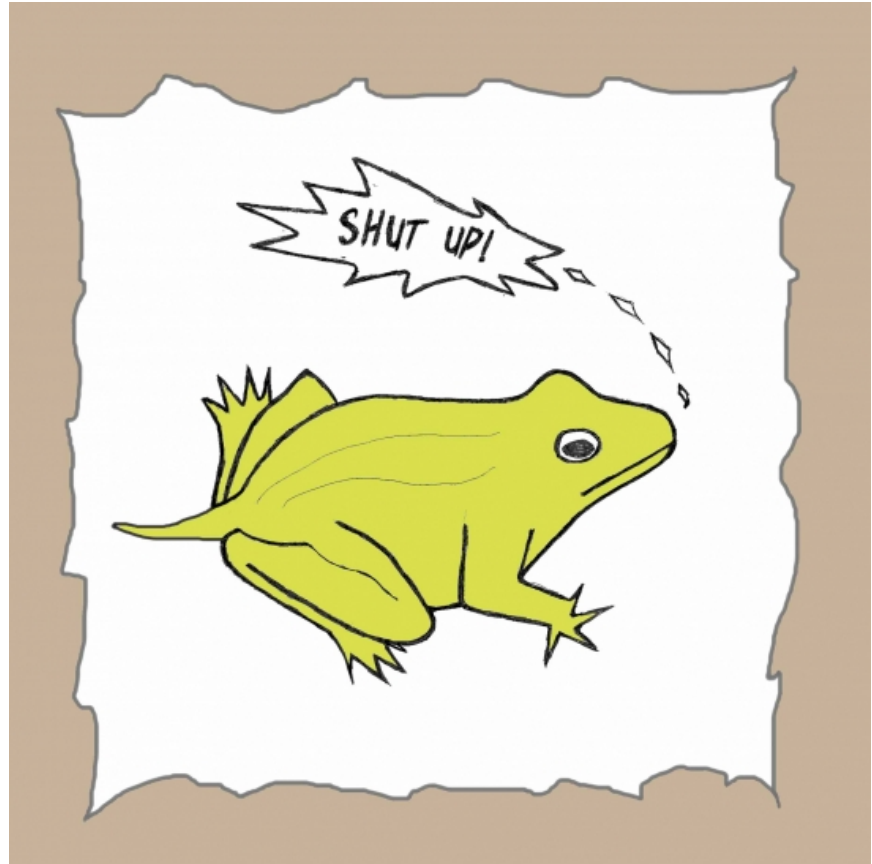
He said: What did you  
do to look so beautiful?  
Look at me,I am so ugly.  
What can I do about my  
skin?



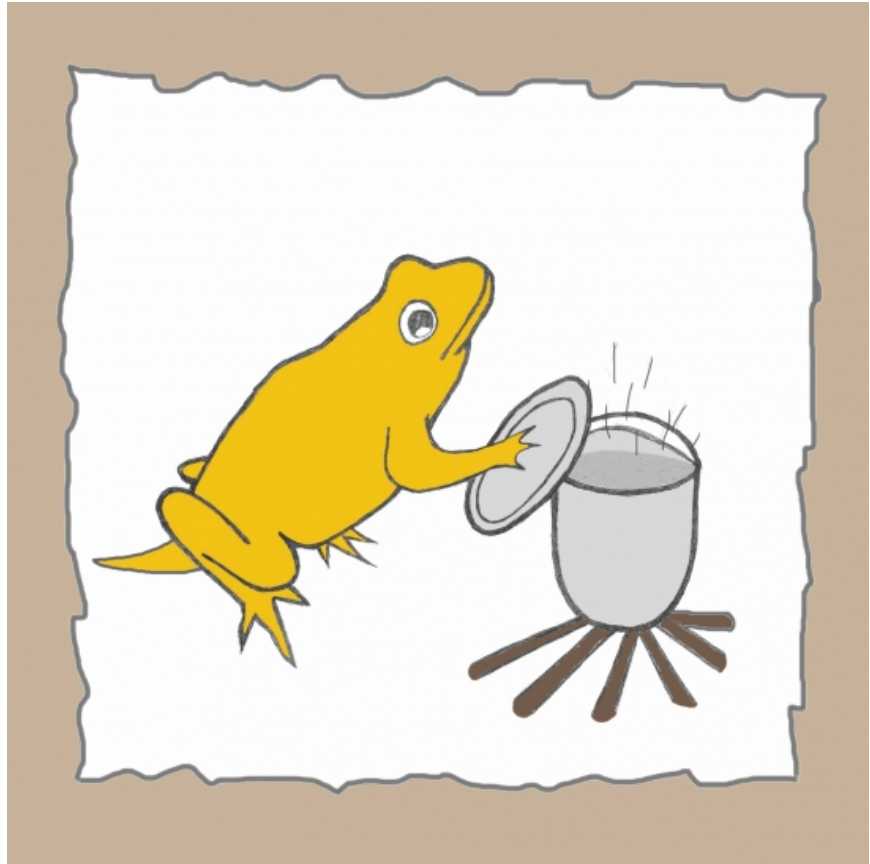
The Lizard said:  
Listen! Put some water  
in a pot and put it on  
the fire.  
Next you...



But the Frog said: I  
know already, I know.  
Shut up, my friend. And  
he left.



So he arrived home and  
put some water in  
a pot.



When the water began to boil, he threw himself into it.





and his skin was burnt  
and his tail came off!



And instead of being brilliant and beautiful like the Lizard, he was even more ugly!



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