

Miles the Nile Crocodile



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Focus Question

Why is it hard for Miles to find a friend?



Miles the crocodile lives in the Nile.
Everyone is afraid of Miles.
Everyone stays away from Miles.



"I am a vegetarian crocodile!" cries Miles.

"Yet, I am a lonely crocodile," sighs Miles.



Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.
Miles passes the pyramids.
"No friends here," sighs Miles.



Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.

Miles teases a turtle.

"The turtle is afraid of me," sighs Miles.



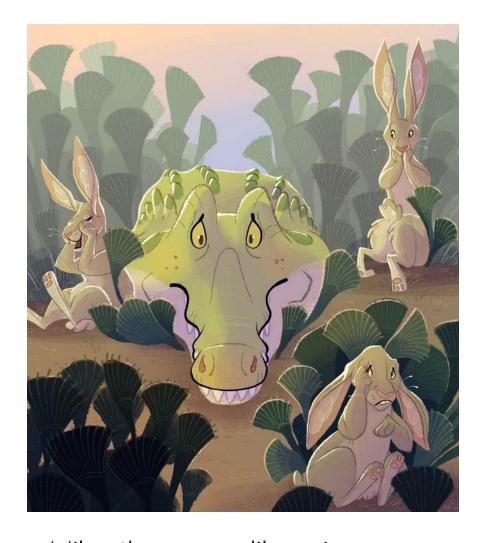
Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.
Miles basks on the bank.
"No friends here," sighs Miles.



Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.

Miles finds some fish.

"The fish are afraid of me," sighs Miles.



Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.
Miles peeks around the papyrus.

"Not one friend," sighs Miles.



Miles the crocodile swims down the Nile.
Miles comes upon Craig the crane.



Craig asks Miles, "Can you take me down the Nile?"
"You are not afraid of me?"
Miles asks Craig.

"Are you the vegetarian crocodile?" Craig asks back.



"Yes, I am!" cries Miles in reply.
Craig smiles and says, "Then
I do not have to be afraid."
Miles has found his fearless
friend until the end.

Words to Know

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crocodile sighs

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Connections

Writing and Art

What do you think Miles and Craig will like doing together? Draw a picture and write about it.

Science

What do crocodiles eat? How is this different from what Miles eats? Share your ideas with a partner.

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