

Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 0



Eli Elster 4:19 PM

I think the base design is really solid! Just make sure kids can tell really easily that there are differences in neck height and that the height of the fruit in the trees is visible. Great work!



Deb Kelemen 4:29 PM

I think the okapis themselves are lovely but @Eli Elster is right that because they are holding their necks at different angles, the differences in neck length are subtle and difficult to discern. The ones on the right also look a bit like they are snuggling. You probably have to accentuate the differences so the longer necks are really quite long and the shorter necks are really quite short

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Got the approval, started adding colors



Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 1
Added colors, drew fruit/trees, environment



Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 2
Added a sixth okapi to match the other lesson pictures.



Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 3

I made the okapis smaller so they don't overlap as much. I changed one of the long-necked okapis to have a short neck, to make the ratio 2 long neck - 4 short neck. I made the long-necked okapis have even longer necks, and the short necked okapis have even shorter necks, because the teachers could not tell the difference between the two.



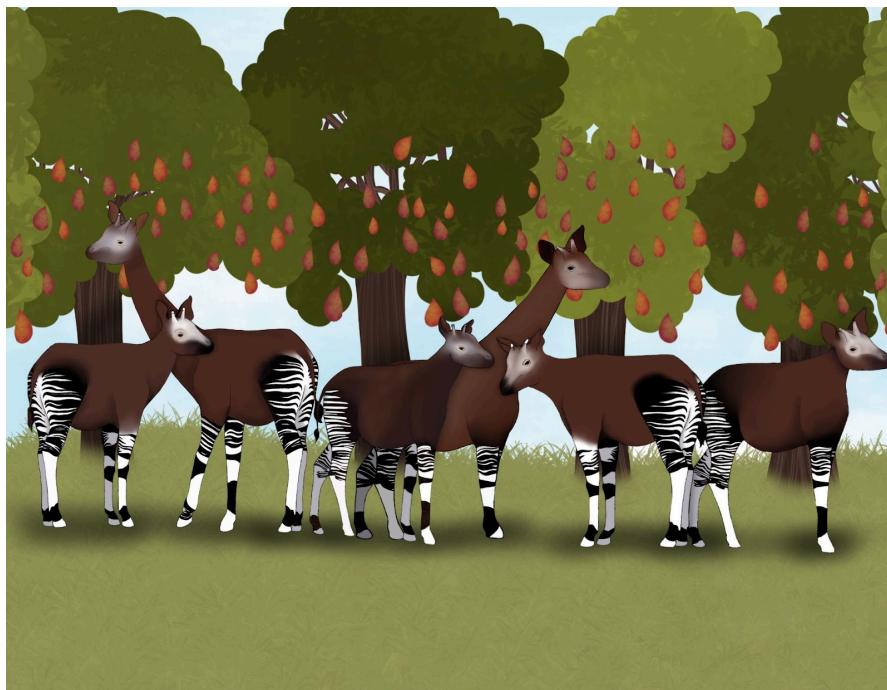
Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 4

I added more fruit to the bottom of the trees to make it more obvious that most of the fruit can be reached by the short necked okapis.



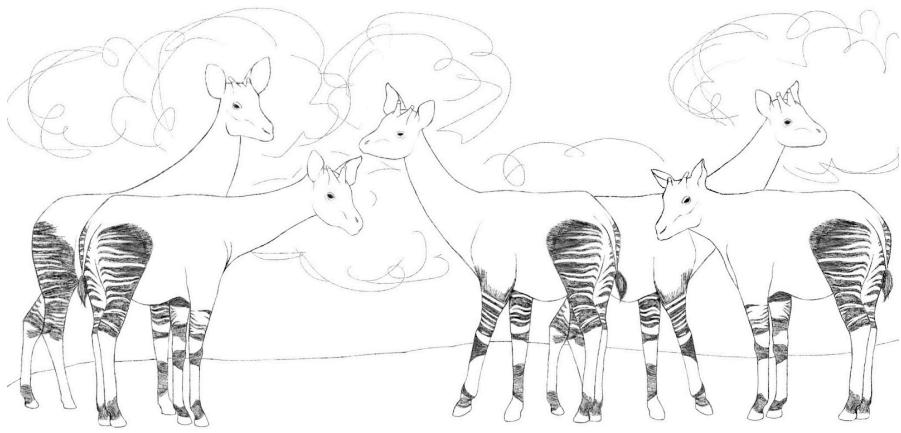
Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 5

I made the fruit more dense.



Okapis Many Years Ago - Version 6

I took away the fruit from the top of the trees entirely, to make it even more obvious that the short necked okapi can reach the fruit.



Okapis Now - Version 0
I got the approval on the sketches.



Okapis Now - Version 1
Added colors, drew fruit/trees, environment



Okapis Now - Version 2

Added a sixth okapi to match the other lesson pictures.



Okapis Now - Version 3

I took away some of the more low-hanging fruit to make it more obvious that the short necked okapis were unable to reach the fruit as easily as the long necked ones.



Okapis Now - Version 4

I changed one of the short-necked okapis to have a long neck, to make the ratio 4 long neck - 2 short neck.



Okapis Now - Version 5

I made the okapis smaller so they don't overlap as much. I made the long-necked okapis have even longer necks, and the short-necked okapis have even shorter necks, because the teachers could not tell the difference between the two.



Okapis Now - Version 6

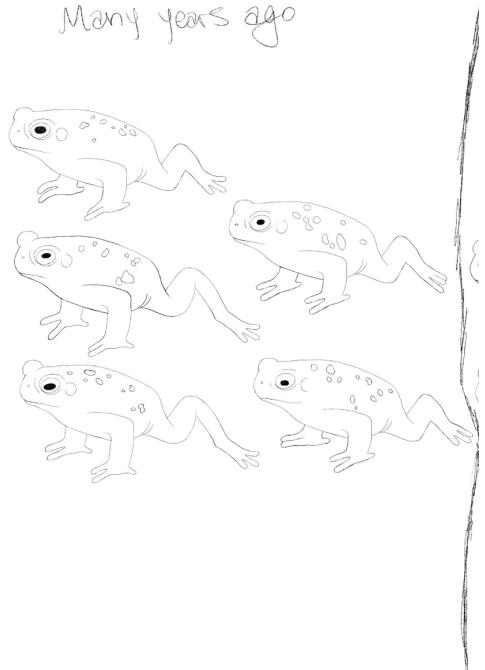
I made the fruit more dense, but left the bottoms of the trees with no fruit.



Okapis Now - Version 7

I took away even more fruit from the bottom of the trees to make it even more obvious that the short-necked okapis could not reach any.

Many years ago



Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 0

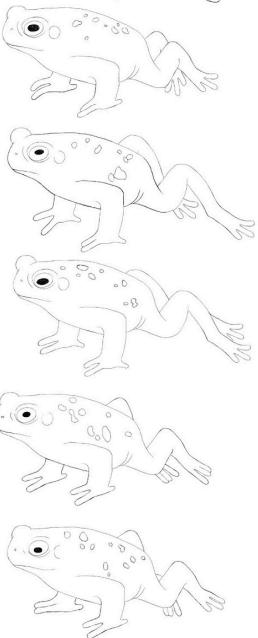


Sarah Brown 9:34 PM

Hi Shumita! I think this is a great start! Thank you so much for working on this over break! We appreciate it!! I really like how you used the spots, toes, and faces to make them all look like individuals, and I think the different leg lengths work! My only suggestion is to see if there is a way to show the second back leg for the toads, even if it is just a tiny bit of the leg peeking out from behind the other one. I worry that some kids might think they only have 3 legs and get stuck on that idea!

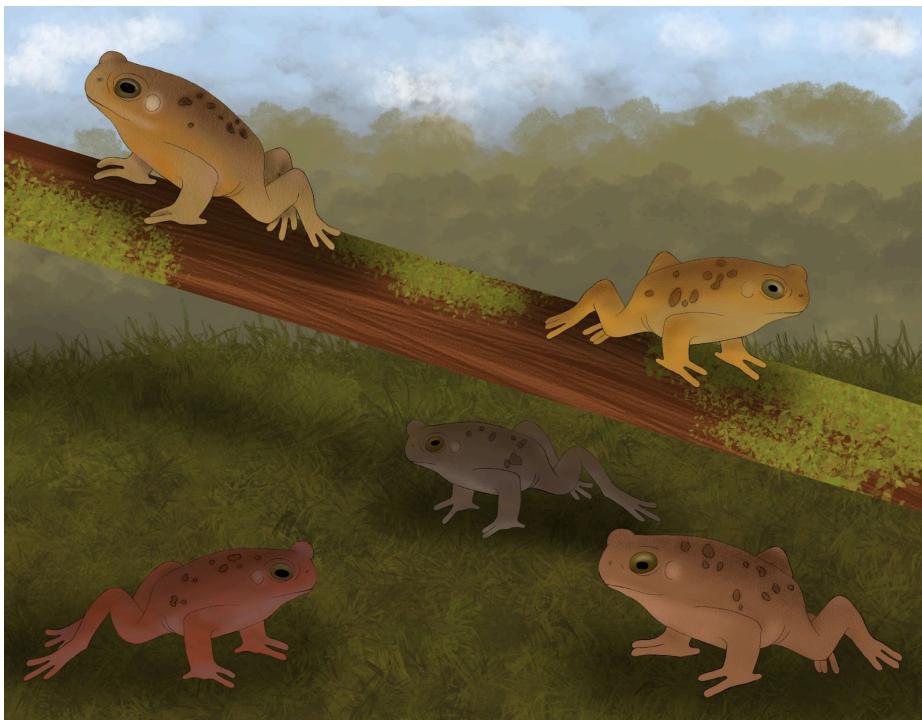
When you draw the environment around them, I'm hoping that the different length legs are still noticeable. But if it's hard to tell the difference between short- and long-legged toads once the image is more complex, one option would be to make the feet of the longer-legged toads bigger as well so the difference stands out more.

Many years ago



Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 0.5

Sketched the toads and got approval to color them.



Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 1

Added the environment and log.



Eli Elster 1:28 PM

Ooh these are gorgeous! I love the way you rearranged the landscape to make all the toads visible. Perhaps the coloring should be more homogenous? Curious what other think about that

Coloring for the toads*



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Thanks Shumita!! I agree with Eli. This looks really nice, but the toads should all be more similar in color. Otherwise kids might start thinking about camouflage!

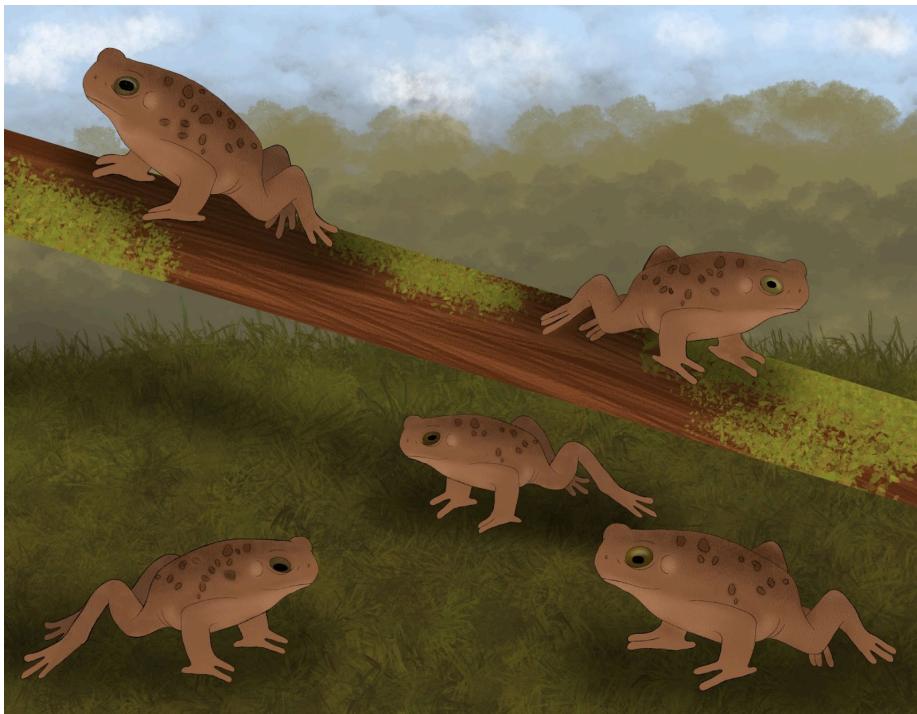


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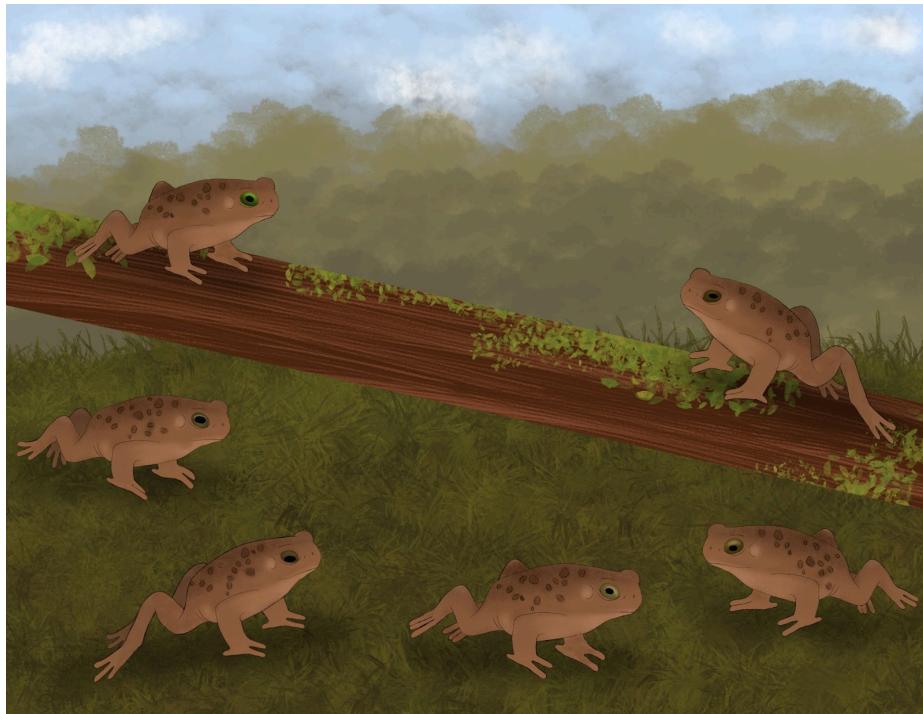
Yes--this looks great. @Eli Elster is right that although the green or gold toad color can vary a tiny bit between individuals, they have to be color similarly or kids will start to focus on color as the relevant trait



Let's make them basically all the same color as the khaki toad in the bottom right hand corner on the long ago picture

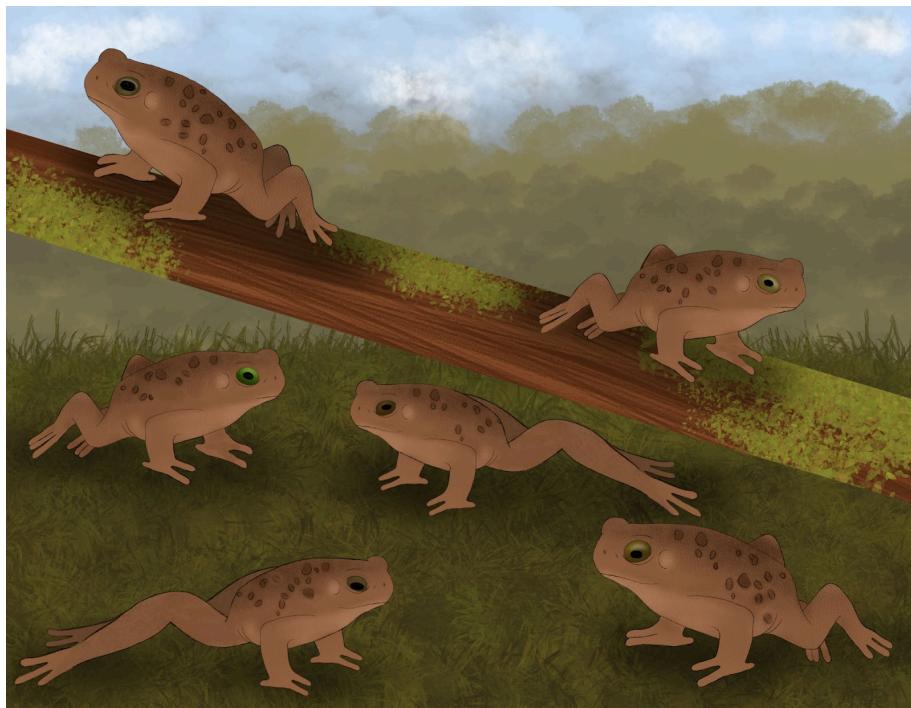


Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 2
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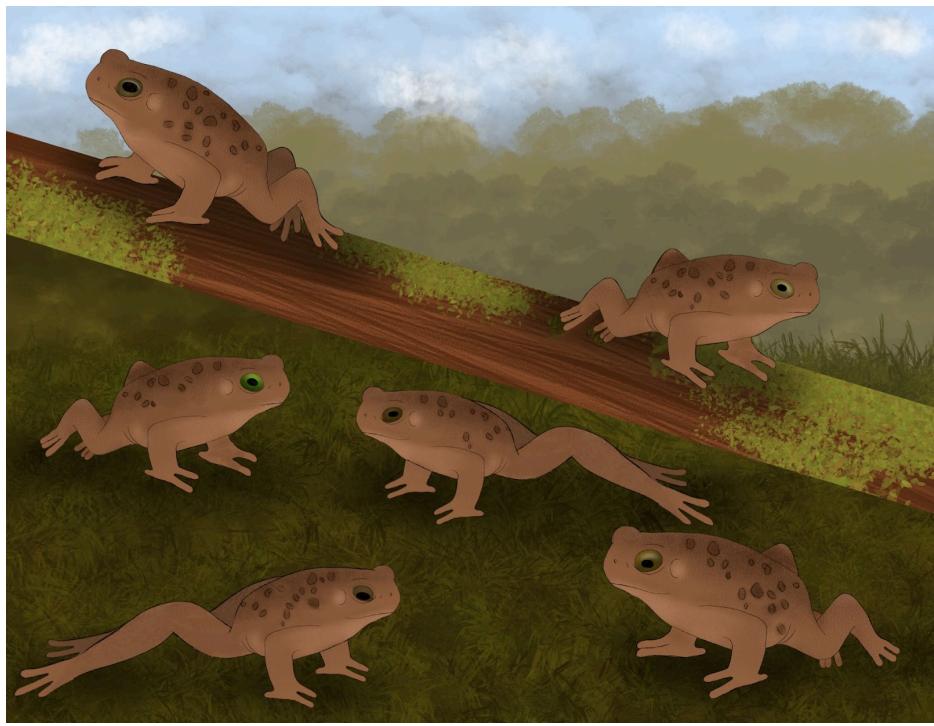
Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 3

Added a sixth toad to get the ratio of 2 long legged toads - 4 short legged toads. Changed the layout so the 6 toads could fit in the image.



Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 4

Made the difference in leg length more noticeable by making the longer legs bigger and longer, and the short legs smaller and shorter. Changed the layout back but kept the sixth toad.



Cane Toads Many Years Ago - Version 5

Made the short-legged toads have shorter toes as well.



Cane Toads Now - Version 0

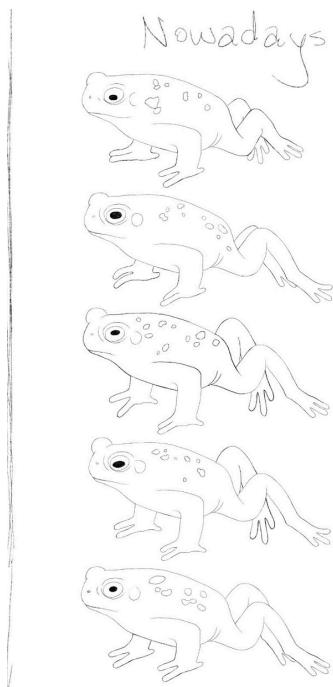
Sketched toads



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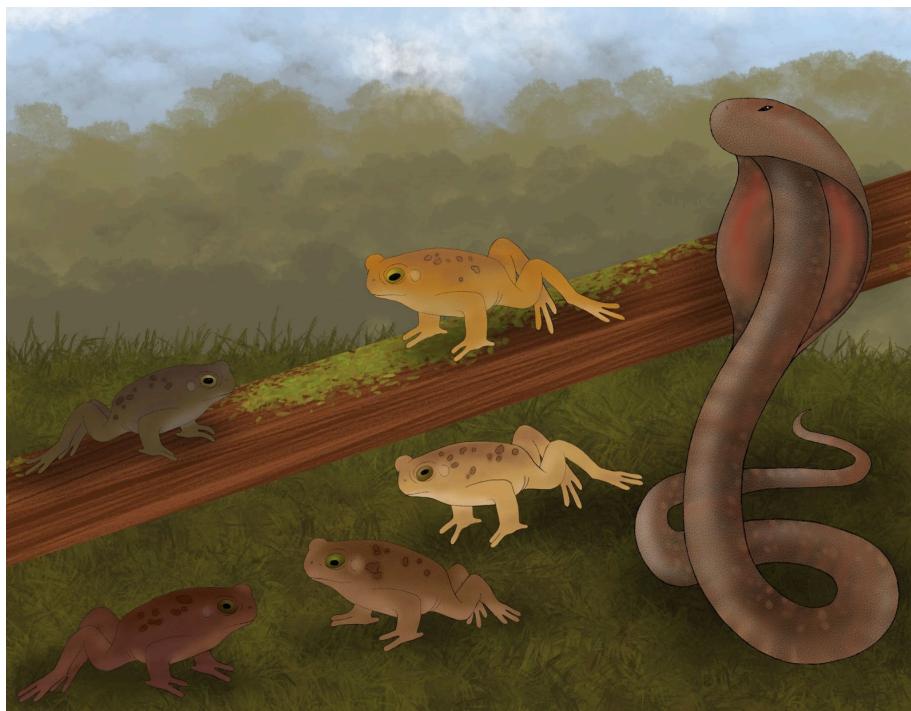
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Cane Toads Now - Version 0.5

Sketched the toads and got approval to color them.



Cane Toads Now - Version 1

Added the environment, log, and snake



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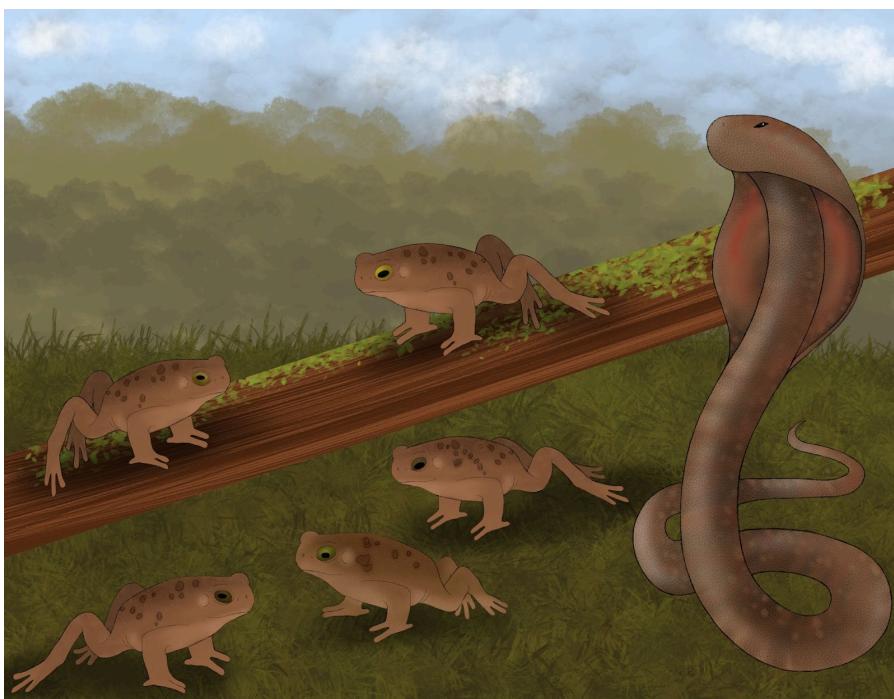


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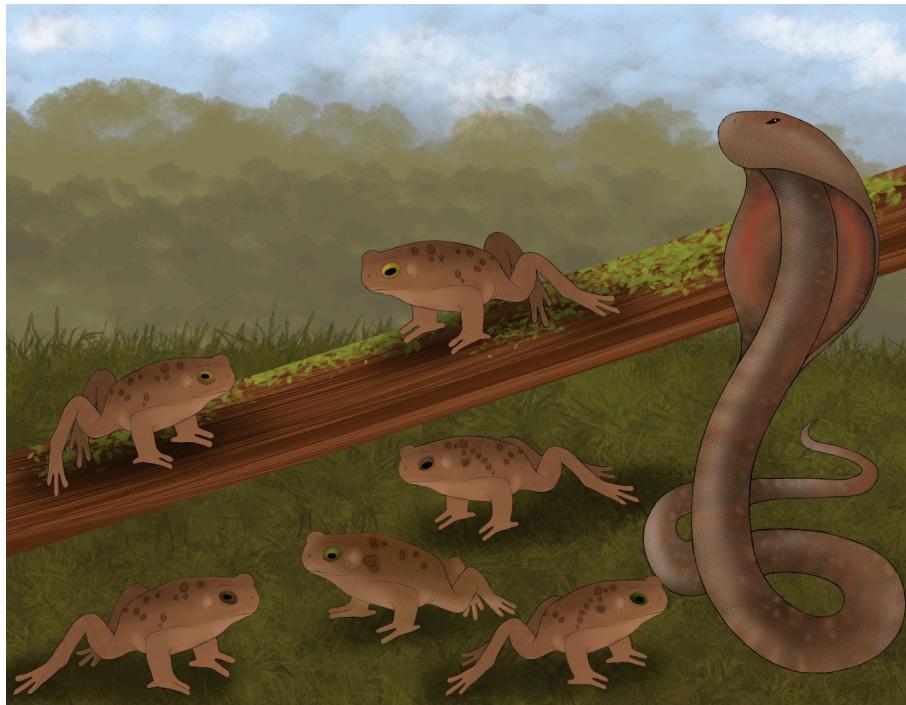


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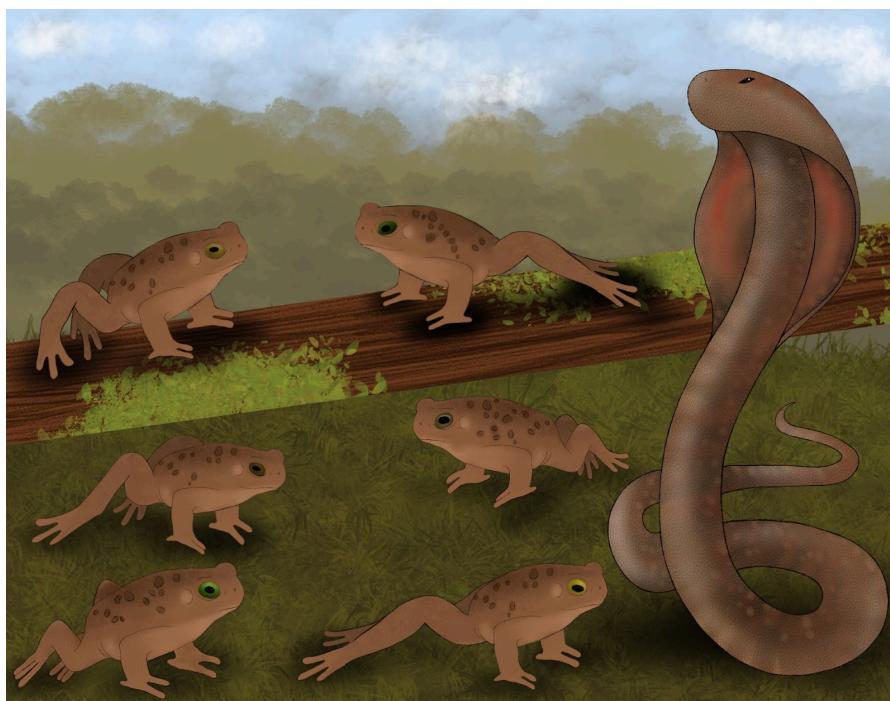
Cane Toads Now - Version 2

Changed all the toads to be the same color, changed the leg placement on a few of them so they don't all look exactly the same.



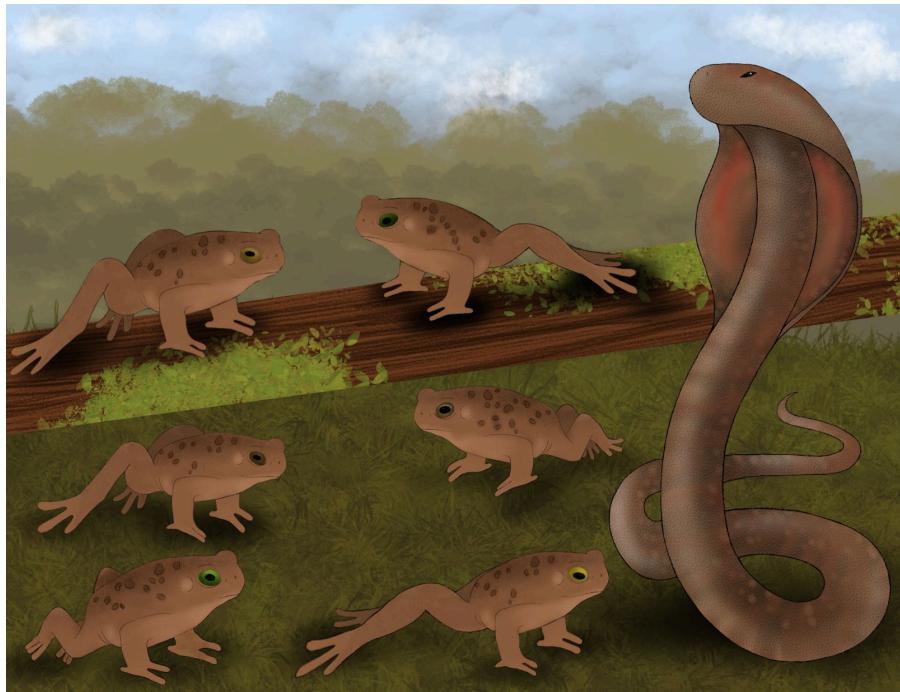
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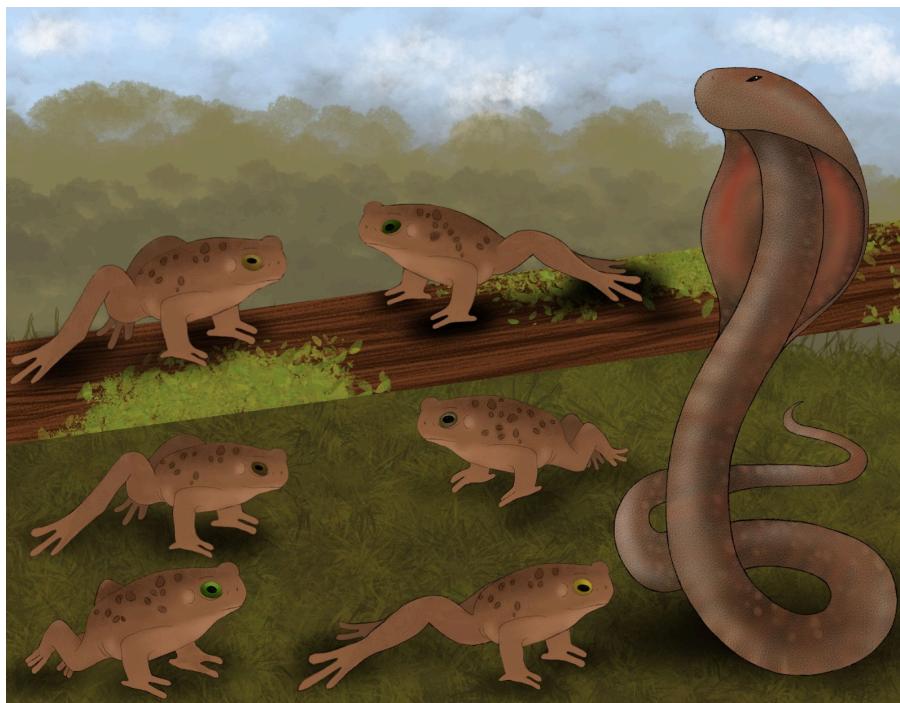
Cane Toads Now - Version 4

Made the difference in leg length more noticeable by making the longer legs bigger and longer, and the short legs smaller and shorter.



Cane Toads Now - Version 5

Exaggerated the short legs and long legs even more by either lengthening or shortening the toes.



Cane Toads Now - Version 6

Changed the middle toad in the left column to have legs exactly the same as the toad above it upon request.
