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Otter wants to win the river race,
but all the rubbish in the river causes
lots of issues...

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It was a sunny summer's day. Crowds of animals were waiting on the riverbank. They'd come to see the big river race – the most exciting event of the year.

Otter felt nervous as she did her warm-up exercises. She'd been training hard for weeks, pushing herself to swim faster and faster. She wanted to win the famous river race cup.

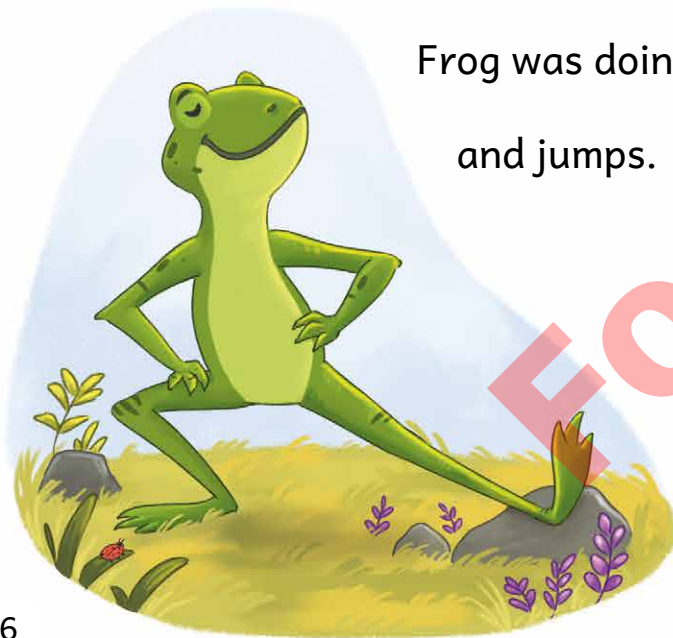


The other racers were getting ready too.

Duck was smoothing
her feathers with
her beak to make
them nice and
waterproof.



Water Vole was eating a pre-race grass snack,
and Beaver was floating in the water.



Frog was doing leg stretches
and jumps.



The crowds went quiet as Heron stepped up to the
start line. He was in charge of starting the race.

“Take your places everyone,” Heron called.

“The river race is about to begin.”

“Good luck everybody,” said Otter as she joined the others at the start line.

“Thank you,” they said. “Good luck to you too.”

Heron raised his long white wing, like a flag.

“On your marks,” he called. “Get set... Go!”

