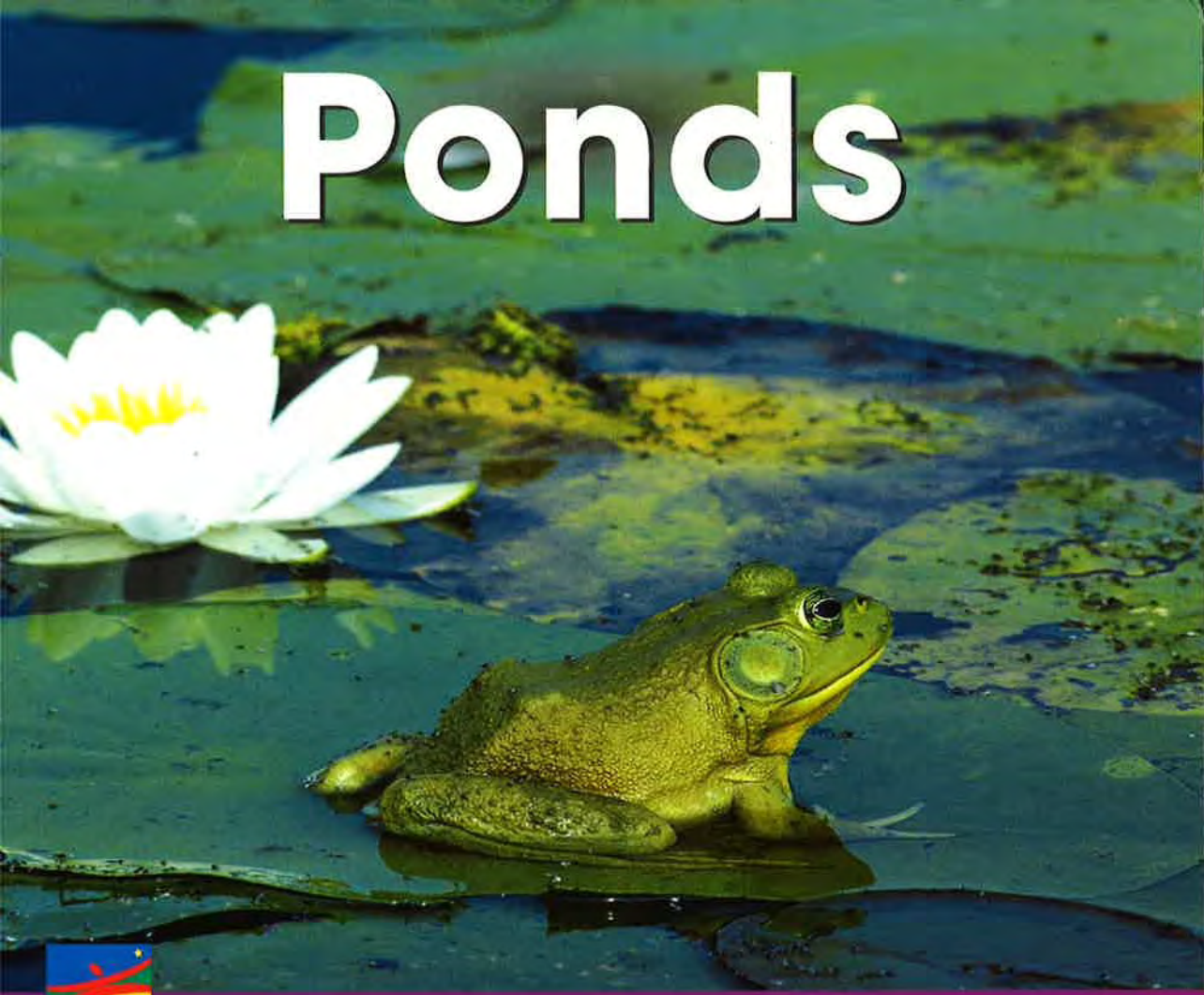


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The Big Idea

Many plants and animals live in and by a pond.

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- Make inferences

Phonics and Phonemic Awareness:
- Initial /p/ (pond, puddle)

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- Read smoothly with minimal breaks

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- Use prepositions "in" and "by"

Sentence Patterns:
- A _____ has _____.
- Some _____ live _____.

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I need to know these words.

catfish



cattails



pond



water lily



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A **pond** has water.



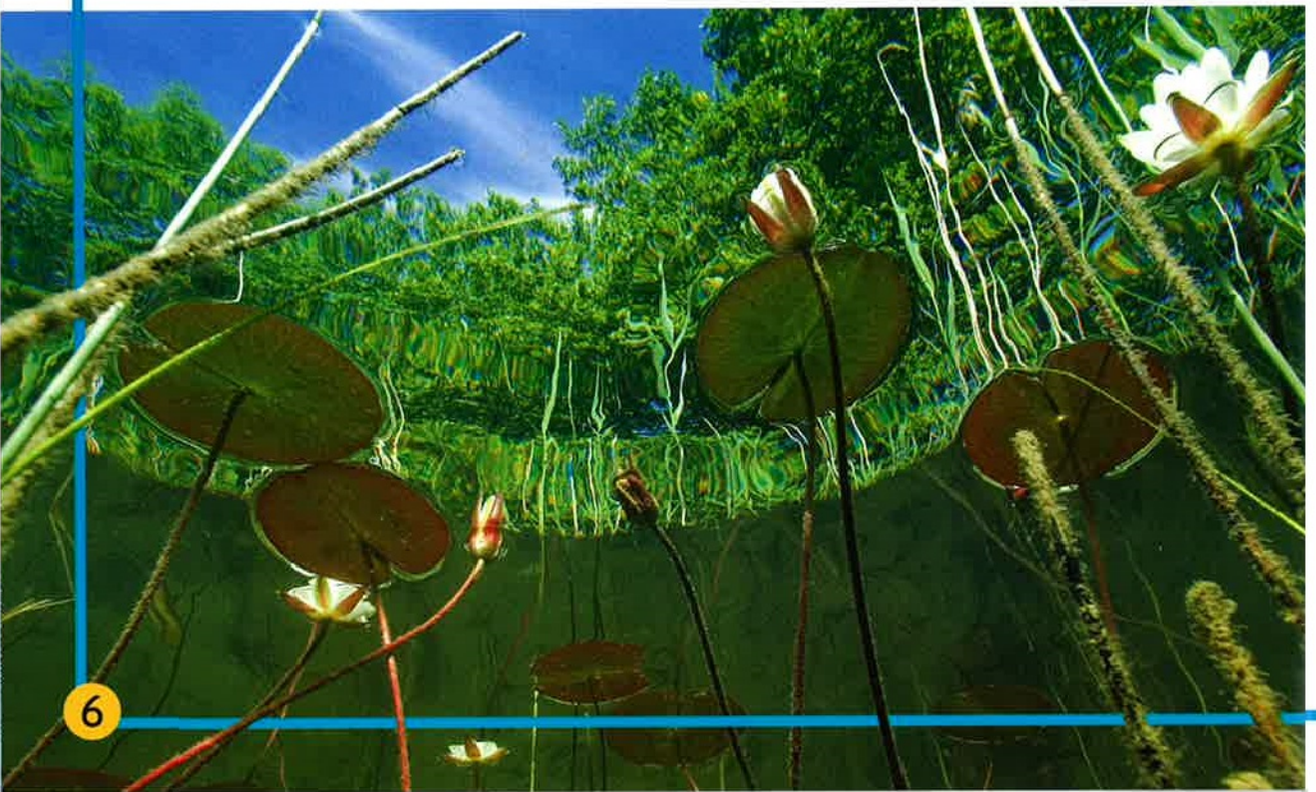
A pond is bigger than a puddle.
A pond is smaller than a lake.



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A pond has plants.

Some plants live in a pond.



A **water lily** lives in a pond.



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Some plants live by a pond.



Many **cattails** live by a pond.



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