

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. Hope your summer days are hopping along and you have been enjoying some great activities. I have a project this week that will have you creating, coloring, moving, and hopefully laughing. It is a Froggy Fly-catcher game. Just remember, "if at first you don't succeed-try, try again". Maybe you can even try to make another one that would look like a bird, catching a worm or a dog, catching a bone.



1-On a piece of paper, measure the size of a cardboard toilet paper roll all the way around. Leave about an inch at the top and the bottom that you will fold inside the roll to cover the edge.

2- Not all frogs are green. Some frogs are very colorful or a camouflage for the environment they live in. Color the paper you cut out and attach it to the roll with tape or glue. If you like, color one end of the paper red to look like a mouth. Fold the ends into the inside of the tube. Make the frog legs, use an "S" shape for the two back legs and a "heart shape" with an extra middle toe for the two fore legs. On each leg, add a section that you can fold over and attach to the tube. For eyes, you can use an oval shape with a smaller oval on the inside. Again, remember to leave a tab to fold over and attach. Color the legs and eyes before attaching.

3- Make another smaller "heart" shape for the fly. Cut two, and draw lines and eyes to look like a buzzing fly. (Heavier paper or cardboard works better) Attach a string about 2 feet long between the two fly bodies with glue or tape. Punch a hole on the underside of the frog body and tie on the opposite end of the string. Staple the back end of the tube together and the frog will sit.

4- To play the game, hold the frog in one hand and swing upwards trying to get the fly in the frog's mouth. Make one another for a friend or add different weight to the fly to see if it is easier or not for the frog to catch it!

Be well and have fun! -Ms. Susan