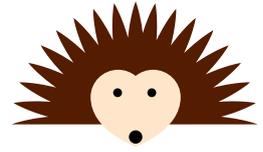




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Firstly, let's learn some facts: Ever wonder what the difference is between frogs and toads?
Read on to find out more...



What's the difference between a frog and a toad?



Frog



Toad

- Have smooth, moist skin
- Narrower body
- Higher, bulgier eyes
- Longer hind legs enabling them to jump higher
- Have many predators
- Need to live near to water
- Webbed feet
- Have longer, stickier tongues
- Lay eggs in clusters

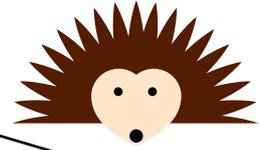
- Have rough, dry, bumpy skin
- Wider body
- Lower eyes
- Shorter, less powerful hind legs, causing them to take smaller hops or run
- Do not have many predators. A toad's skin lets out a bitter taste and smell that burns the eyes and nostrils of its predators.
- Do not need to live near to water
- Lay eggs in chains





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Secondly, let's help frogs and toads to survive by building them a habitat outside.



You will need

- A gardening spade or fork
- large stones/ small rocks
- sticks of different sizes
- fallen leaves and foliage



Method

1. Choose a suitable location to build your frog or toad habitat.
2. Dig a hole in the soil using your gardening spade or fork.
3. Place your stones & rocks on the bottom of your hole so any water can drain on the bottom of your frog/ toad habitat.
4. Place the longer/ bigger sticks over the top of your hole first in a criss-cross (waffle-like) pattern.
5. Keep building more sticks over the top, decreasing in size.
6. Spread fallen leaves and foliage over the top of your sticks to make it camouflaged from predators.
7. Remember to leave a small entrance for the frogs and toads to get in and out.
8. Ensure your sticks and foliage has not fallen into the hole. Your frog and toad home should have space inside for them to sleep.

