

What Will I Be?

A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Themes: Life Cycles, Animals

Grade Level: K to 1st grade

Book Brief: Use the clues to guess what kind of animal you'll find under the flap!

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, build

background: Talk about the animals on the front cover. Where might you see each of these animals? Can your child name any of them?

After reading, ask questions:

- ◆ Which animals in the book do we see most often?
- ◆ How many animals came from an egg?
- ◆ Which animal do you think changes the most as it grows?
- ◆ What do all the animals have in common?

While reading, make predictions: Read the clue and have your child guess the animal under the flap. Did they guess correctly?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

TURTLE FLOAT

Ingredients: 1 clear 8 oz. cup, 1 scoop lime sherbet, 1/2 cup lemon-lime soda, 2 chocolate chips.

Place a scoop of sherbet in a cup. Put two chocolate chips on the scoop for the turtle's eyes. Pour soda carefully over sherbet to make your turtle swim. Enjoy with a spoon or straw. (For a more healthful option, use sorbet and diet soda.)

FROG JUMP

Did you know frogs can jump up to ten times their own length? That means if the frog is four inches long it can jump 40 inches! Measure how long (tall) you are, then measure how far you can jump. Why do



you think a frog can jump so far compared to how small it is?

MOSAIC MONARCH

Materials: light blue or white paper, construction paper (orange, yellow, and black), glue, picture of a Monarch butterfly for reference.



Draw a butterfly outline on blue paper. Tear construction paper into small pieces or cut into small squares. Create your own Monarch butterfly by gluing the colored paper inside the drawn outline. Be sure to place squares close together!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Just Ducks (2012), *Outside Your Window: A First Book of Nature* (2012), *Poop: A Natural History of the Unmentionable* (2011), *Surprising Sharks* (2005).



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