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# Lesson 33:

## **Talking Frog**

### **(Customs and traditions)**

Conversation Lesson with a Story,  
Vocabulary Practice,  
Questions and Activities

# Content

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# The Story

An old gentleman was playing a round of golf. Suddenly his ball sliced and landed in a shallow pond. As he was attempting to retrieve the ball, he discovered a frog who, to his great surprise, started to speak! 'Kiss me, and I will change into a beautiful princess, and I will be yours for a week.' He picked up the frog and placed it in his pocket. As he continued to play golf, the frog repeated its message. 'Kiss me, and I will change into a beautiful princess, and I will be yours for a whole month!' The man continued to play his golf game and once again the frog spoke out. 'Kiss me, and I will change into a beautiful princess, and I will be yours for a whole year!' Finally, the old man turned to the frog and exclaimed, 'At my age, I'd rather have a talking frog!'

Source: [Funny Stories](#)



# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

1) A '**round**' here means ...

- a) a bullet or a shot that is fired from a weapon
- b) a drink for each of the people in a group
- c) a slice of bread or other food
- d) a complete game of golf

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

2) To '**attempt**' means ...

- a) to try to do something
- b) to get something
- c) to get to a place
- d) to build up a tent

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

3) To **'slice'** here means ...

- a) to cut something into flat pieces
- b) to move through something easily and quickly
- c) to get lost
- d) to fall down

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

4) To **'retrieve'** here means ...

- a) to get something back / to save or protect something that is going to be lost
- b) to find information that is stored in a computer in order to use it again
- c) to improve a situation or relationship
- d) to hide

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

5) To '**discover**' here means ...

- a) to invent
- b) to find something
- c) to lose something
- d) to think about

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

6) To '**exclaim**' means ...

- a) to cry
- b) to say something suddenly and loudly  
(because you are surprised, angry, etc.)
- c) to whisper
- d) to reply

# Questions for Discussion

- 1) What is funny about this story?
- 2) Can you name any similarities between this story and a traditional fairytale?
- 3) How does this story differ from the traditional fairytale? (List at least 3 differences.)
- 4) Why do you think the man preferred to have a talking frog to a beautiful princess?
- 5) Have you ever had/kept an unusual pet?

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# Activities

- Now tell your friend(s) the story in your own words.
- Pronounce the following words several times:
  - a) a round of golf
  - b) sliced and landed
  - c) shallow pond
  - d) to his great surprise
  - e) retrieve the ball
  - f) I'd rather

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# A Related Saying

**‘You can’t teach an old dog new tricks.’**

- What does the saying mean? Explain.
- Is there a saying in your mother tongue which bears the same meaning?

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# Role Play

Imagine the following situation:

You are **studying in England** and your classmates are preparing a **sporting day**. You've promised to help them. **Person B** is going to play the **role of your English classmate** and you should **talk about the details of the sporting day** together. **Person B will start** the conversation.



# Role Play:

## Ideas to Help You

The following ideas may help you:

- *When*
- *Where*
- *What sports to include*
- *Standpoints*
- *Food/Refreshments*
- *Other*