



Kokak's Rain Song

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Little Kokak the frog lived in a lush green marshland by the sparkling river with his kind mother. He was a bright green frog with big eyes, but he had a very naughty habit of never listening to what he was told.



Whenever his mother asked him to hop left toward the safety of the reeds, Kokak would stubbornly hop to the right. If she told him to stay out of the deep water, he would jump straight into the middle of the splashing waves just to be difficult.



At mealtime, his mother would bring him delicious flies and ask him to eat his dinner, but Kokak would turn his head away and refuse. He always did the exact opposite of her commands, which made his poor mother very sad and tired.



His mother often sighed and wondered how she could ever cure his bad habit. She worried that his constant disobedience would one day lead to trouble that he would not be able to fix.



One day, Kokak's mother became very sick and could no longer hop or play in the reeds. She called Kokak to her side on a soft mossy bed, knowing that her time was growing short.



Knowing Kokak always did the opposite of her words, she asked him to bury her by the riverbank when she passed. She secretly hoped he would disobey her one last time and bury her on the safe, dry hill instead.



When his mother finally closed her eyes forever, Kokak felt a deep sadness he had never known before. He looked at his mother and realized how much he truly loved her and how much he regretted being so difficult.



For the first time in his life, Kokak decided he must be a good son and obey his mother's last wish exactly as she said it. He worked very hard to bury her right by the edge of the rushing riverbank, just as she had asked.



Soon, a heavy storm arrived and the river began to rise and roar with great power. The rushing water reached the soft soil of the riverbank and washed away the remains of his mother's resting place into the deep water.



Now, whenever the dark clouds gather and the rain begins to fall, Kokak sits on a lily pad and croaks loudly. He is calling out to the sky, telling his mother how sorry he is and wishing he had listened to her from the very beginning.