

The frog and the crow

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Beware of the handsome and persuasive stranger.

Also called 'The jolly fat frog', it can be found in Rimbault's 'A Collection of Old Nursery Rhymes' published 1864.

It was featured in BBC schools, Time and Tune, Spring term 1961 without the last verse.



A jol - ly fat — frog — lived in the riv - er swim - o! A hand - some black — crow — lived
on the riv - er brim - o! 'Come on shore! 'Come on shore!' Said the crow to the frog, and
then - o! 'No, you'll bite me!' 'No, you'll bite me!' Said the frog to the crow a - gain - o!



A jolly fat frog lived in the river swim-o!
A handsome black crow lived on the river brim-o!
"Come on shore! Come on shore!"
Said the crow to the frog, and then-o!
"No, you'll bite me! No, you'll bite me!"
Said the frog to the crow again-o!

"Oh, there is sweet music on yonder green hill-o!
And you shall be a dancer, a dancer all in yellow,
All in yellow! All in yellow!"
Said the crow to the frog, and then-o!
"All in yellow! All in yellow!"
Said the crow to the frog again-o!

"Farewell, ye little fishes, that in the river swim-o!
I'm going to be a dancer, a dancer all in yellow."
"Oh, beware! Oh, beware!"
Said the fish to the frog; and then-o!
"I'll take care! I'll take care!"
Said the frog to the fish again-o!

The frog began a-swimming, a-swimming to the land-o!
And the crow began a-jumping, to give him a-hand-o!
"Sir, you're welcome! Sir, you're welcome!"
Said the crow to the frog, and then-o!
"Sir, I thank you! Sir, I thank you!"
Said the frog to the crow again-o!

"But where is the sweet music on yonder green hill-o?
And where are all the dancers, the dancers in yellow?"
"Sir, they're here! Sir, they're here!"
Said the crow to the frog — *Swallows the frog GULP!*