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Wake up—it's springtime in the swamp! As 999 young frogs awaken, they panic to find that all of the other animals are still asleep. First they wake the biggest frog... then the tortoise, the lizard, and the ladybugs. But when they hop down a hole and all pull together, they find someone they don't want to wake—a big, long snake. Don't wake him up! Luckily for the frogs, the tortoise carefully carries him away.

Ken Kimura and Yasunari Murakami are back again in this delightful tale about frogs and friendship!

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Teresa Bateman says

It's spring, and Mother Frog is counting her 99 froglets who should be waking up from the muck. But there are only 98. Oh no! Following snoring reveals her missing froglet as well as other sleeping animals who need to be awakened--a turtle, a lizard, and ladybugs. Their final find, however, is dangerous--a snake! They don't want him awake. He thinks they are dinner. Careful cooperation with their newly awoken friends removes the danger and now it's time to enjoy spring...or a good nap. Originally published in Japan, this is a gently sweet story that would tie in nicely with springtime lessons. Yasunari Murakami's mischievous, bright illustrations suit the text well and are big and bold enough for group sharing. A lovely effort.

Matthew says

This is the sequel to a book that I've never read. I picked it up because of the cover. In it, a large frog leads an army of brothers and sisters in an effort to wake the world up for the beginning of spring. Everything goes swimmingly, pun totally intended, until they attempt to wake one animal sleeping in a den that turns out to be hungry snake. Luckily, the mother frog is able to put the snake back to sleep and a friendly turtle carries the snake away to the forest as a thanks for waking him up in time for spring. It's a nice story. The pictures of lots of frogs are amusing. Would be a fun read with a younger audience.

Kathleen says

This would be a great book for little kids who like animal stories and reptiles. Many books are about going to sleep and bedtime, but this one takes a different direction by trying to wake up sleeping animals. I chuckled a few times during the reading especially while trying to imagine the mother frog counting to 999, more than once. This book is great for a reader who 'likes to do voices', lots of opportunities for exaggerated sleeping noises.

Nikki says

Cute illustrations but not much more to recommend this simple book. There's not much to the story, and opportunities to use even basic, simple nature words are skipped in favor of repetition of plain, unlively vocabulary. The idea of animals waking each other in springtime is nice, and the snake bit is slightly funny, but there are many better renditions of this theme.

Meredith says

Cute. Love the drawings.

Ina says

Spring is a time that wild things wake up - in this case 999 frogs. After Mom wakes them, they decide to wake all other sleepyheads - a turtle, ladybugs, and, finally, a snake. Cute illustrations and a simple, but jumpy, uneven, text. My story time audience did love this one...especially providing the snoring sound effects of each sleepyhead!

Jo Oehrlein says

Mother Frog and 998 froglets wake up in the spring, but there are supposed to be 999. Ah, Big Brother is still asleep. After waking up Big Brother, the froglets decide waking people up is fun. All goes well until they accidentally awake Snake, who wants to eat them.

Luckily, Mother Frog gets Snake back to sleep and Turtle takes Snake away.

Samantha says

Spring has sprung and the froglets make the rounds waking up all the sleepyheads animals.

Vibrant artwork is simply incredible. Even when too many frogs to properly count are featured on a two page spread they each have a different facial expression. A fun read, especially for middle elementary school students.

Evelyn Song says

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Marjorie says

Given To Me For An Honest Review

999 Frogs Wake Up by Ken Kimura is a book for every child's bookshelf. It is about the frogs that plan to wake everyone up for spring. A hungry snake wakes up but the frogs assure him that he can sleep as long as he wants. Your child(ren) will laugh and enjoy this book. They will love the humor that it has. The illustrations are bright and clear. If you wish for a great book that your child will love or your classroom will enjoy this is the book. I gave it 5 stars but it should have more. I highly recommend it to everyone and anyone with a child or works with children.

Meredith says

999 baby frogs wake up and set about sweetly waking other hibernating creatures until they mistakenly wake a predator. Opps.

The illustrations are very cheerful and reminiscent of those in Let's Count to 100!.

Linda says

Still cute, but not as good as the first book.

Balasubramanian Murugan says

Its funny, My kids liked it a lot. We never read the 1st book though still, we liked this one.

Jennifer Heise says

Let me be clear: my first grade son loves this book. He asked for it 2 nights running as part of bedtime reading.

I don't know why. The plot is dreadful and makes no sense, the writing is stilted and the dialogue... pfui! No, kids, if we are little frogs (and by the time frogs have hibernated for a year, they aren't froglets anyway), we don't go down unknown dark holes and drag sleeping creatures out, IN CASE THEY ARE PREDATORS! And if we did, our mommies a) wouldn't remember us and b) would not be able to talk them back to sleep! ARGHHH.

So, it gets 2 stars because my son likes it. From me, it gets -1 stars.

Kerry says

Great book for Spring, frogs or even hibernation. A little long for fidgety preschoolers but if you make the snoring sounds and then have them make the same sounds you can keep their attention.
