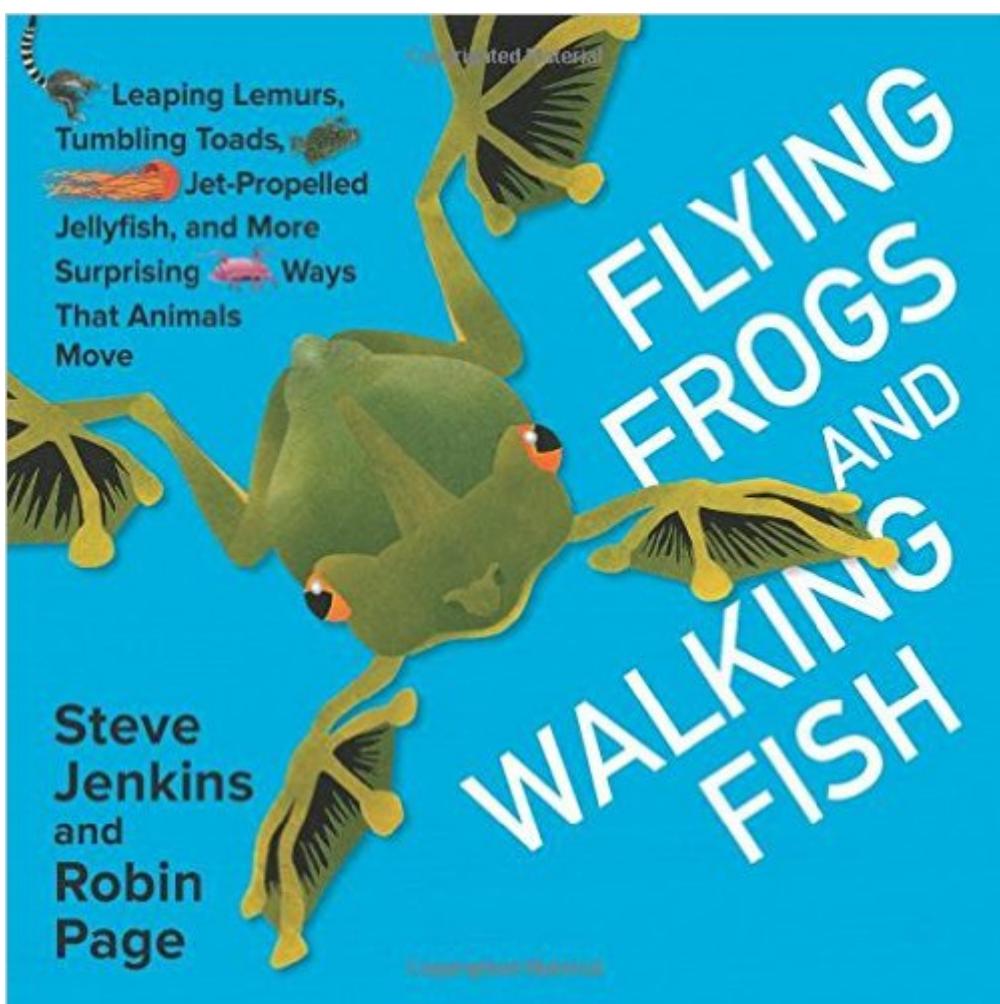


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# Flying Frogs And Walking Fish: Leaping Lemurs, Tumbling Toads, Jet-Propelled Jellyfish, And More Surprising Ways That Animals Move



## Synopsis

A red-lipped batfish waddles across the sea floor on its fins, searching for small sea creatures to eat. Other animals may fly or glide, or jet-propel themselves to get around. These creatures come equipped with legs, wings, or tentacles, and they often move from place to place in surprising ways. In the latest eye-catching escape into the kingdom of Animalia, Caldecott Honor-winning team Jenkins and Page show how animals roll, fly, walk, leap, climb, swim and even flip! This fascinating and fun illustrated nonfiction melds science, art, biology, and the environment together in a detailed and well-researched book about how animals move in our world today.

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A Look Inside How the Book Was Made Flying Frogs and Walking Fish is a look at unusual animal locomotion. In some cases the movement itself Â¢Â " walking, swimming, or flying Â¢Â " is common, but the animals that practice it are unexpected. Other ways of getting around, such as rolling or jetting, are not so typical. The book is organized by types of movement: walking, leaping, swimming, climbing, flying, rolling, and jetting. This is a behind-the-scenes look at how this incredible book came together - presented by author Steve Jenkins.

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[Drafting the Illustrations](#) The illustrations in Flying Frogs and Walking Fish are cut- and torn-paper collages, but they start out as a pencil sketches. These sketches will be used as templates for cutting out the pieces of color paper which are assembled into a final illustration.

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It's a Book! Almost exactly two years after we start work on the book, we receive our first copy of Flying Frogs and Walking Fish.

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