

Your Topic: Frogs

Your Central Idea/Question/Problem:

Frogs matter more than we know, and they are in danger.

Your Hook Idea:

Our planet is littered with animals of all shapes and sizes. From the mighty bison that once ruled the plains of America to the towering blue whales of the oceans. I, however, would like to focus on the in between. Those amphibious creatures that spend part of their life in the water and part on the land. The frogs.

The Rising Action (The Key Topics in the Order That They Will Build):

1. Frog basics
2. The threats facing frogs, especially the chytrid fungus
3. Without action, frogs may disappear altogether
4. This would deprive the world of amazing frogs like the Vietnamese Mossy Frog, Glass Frog, and Venezuelan Pebble Toad
5. It would severely damage ecosystems
6. It would hurt humans

Climax (Where You Resolve/Discuss the Central Idea/Question/Problem):

We can do something! There is no cure for chytrid fungus, but we do have the ability to implement interventions to stop the spread and increase habitat to act as a firewall.

Resolution (Where You "Tie Up Loose Ends" or Look to the Future):

A vision of a world full of a beautiful array of frogs!

FIGURE 2.3 • Research Paper Outline