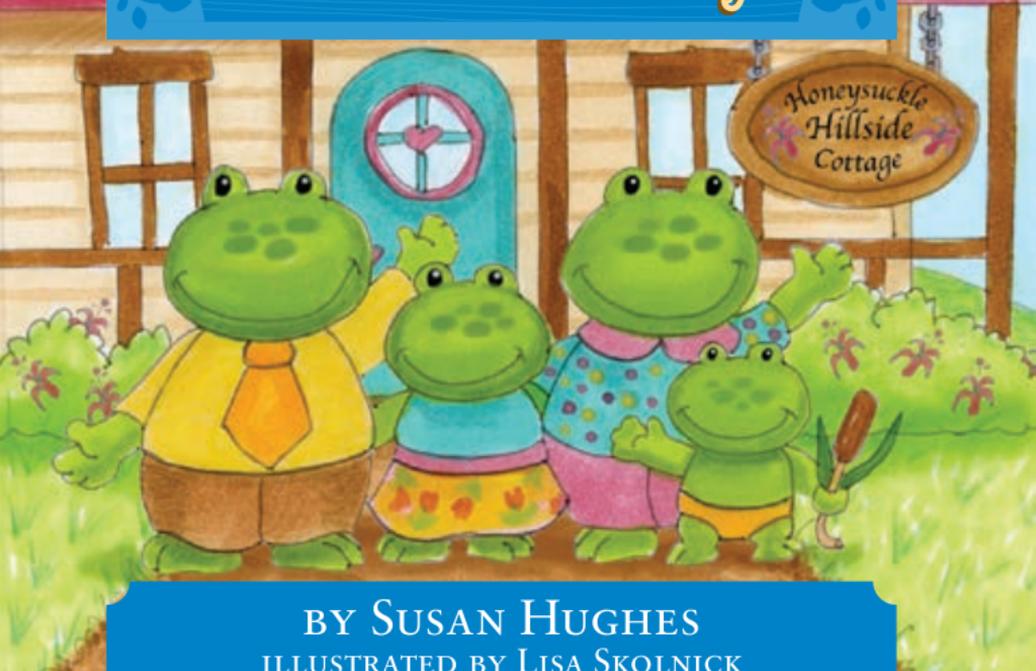


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The Cottage Crew Saves the Day

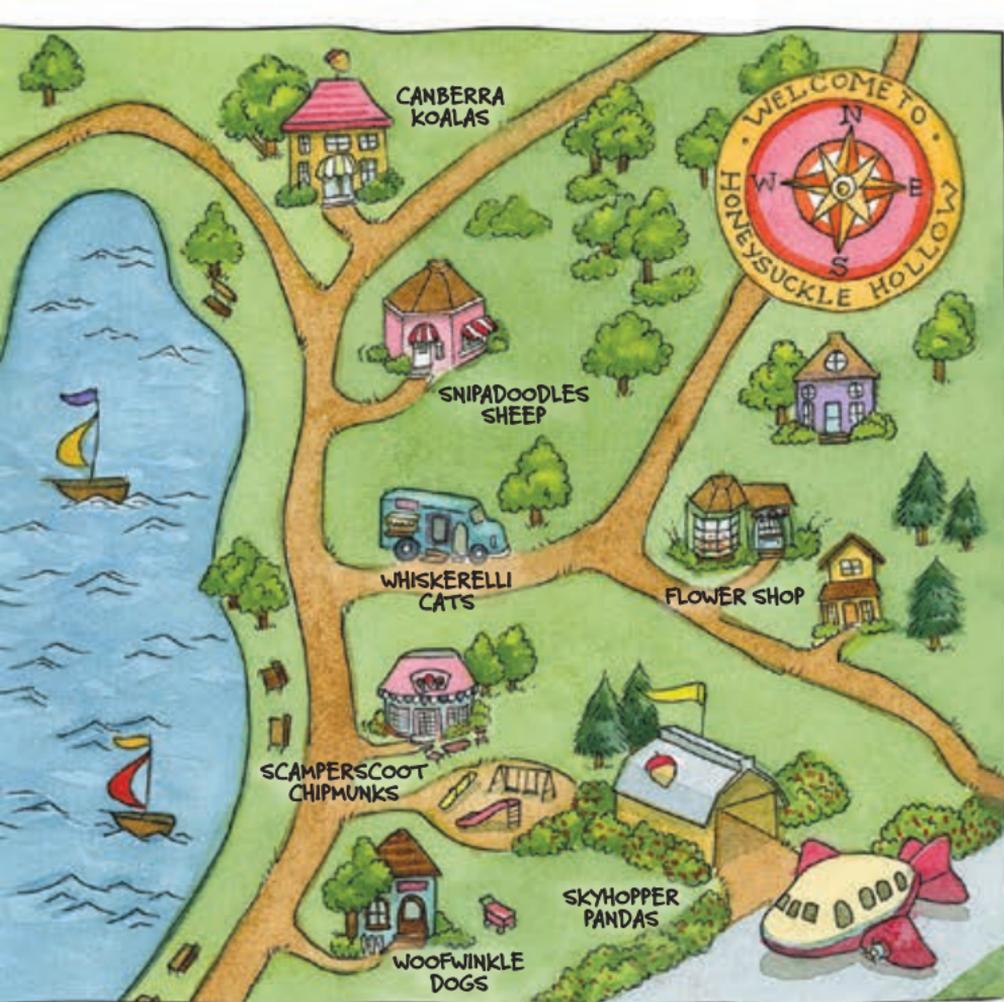


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Welcome to Honeysuckle Hollow®

where all the woodland creatures work together
to take care of each other and their environment.

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“Our house looks like a swimming pool!” exclaimed Hip Croakalily.

Last night, there was a big storm and Honeysuckle Hollow Pond flooded. The Croakalily’s home was full of water!



“Well, we certainly can’t
live here anymore,”
said her dad, Rob.

“We need to think about
building a new cottage.”

Hip sighed. She would
miss their old home.



Her brother, Hop, sighed, too.

Libby and Rob Croakalily
and their kids, Hip and Hop,
were all packed to
go camping today.

“I guess our camping trip is
canceled,” said Hop, sadly.





“Not necessarily!” said Hip.
“We have to stay somewhere
else while we decide what
to do. Why don’t we camp
nearby for now?”

So they loaded up their
paddleboat and off they
went to do just that!



While the Croakalilys set up camp on the other side of the pond, several woodland friends saw that the frog family's house was ruined.

“Let's build our neighbors a sturdy new cottage while they're away,” said Mimi Handydandy.



Everyone wanted to help,
especially the children.

“We can call ourselves
the Cottage Crew!”
suggested Debbie Diggadilly
and Iris Whiffpuff.

“Let’s all meet back here
tomorrow.”





That night, Libby Croakalily said, “Maybe we should build our new cottage up on a hill so it can never be flooded again.”

“Good idea,” Rob, Hip and Hop agreed, as they settled into their sleeping bags.



The Cottage Crew gathered
the next morning.

“We spotted a perfect place
to build from our lookout,”
said the Whooswhoow owl
family. “There on the hill,
so the frog cottage will never
be flooded again.”



Everyone thought the location seemed just right. But what should the cottage look like?

Together, the Cottage Crew decided: three stories, many windows, a balcony, and a porch, so the frogs could sit and enjoy a view of the pond.





The construction project began. The Handydandy mice put up the walls and the Skyhopper Pandas worked on the roof.

The Bushytail squirrels came by with lunch for the hardworking volunteers.



That night, the Croakalilys
roasted corn and cooked
veggies over the campfire.

“Let’s build a tall house with
lots of windows,” Hip said.

“And a porch and a balcony,
so we can see the pond
really well,” Hop said.



In just a few more days, the Cottage Crew's construction project was done.

Now it was time to paint the cottage. What color should the Crew choose? The frog family's favorites, of course!

Blue, pink and brown.





On their last night of camping, the frogs toasted marshmallows over the fire.

“I’d like our new house to be painted in our favorite colors,” said Libby, “blue, pink and brown.”

“Of course!” said the others.



It was the last day of the
Croakalilys' camping trip.

The Tidyshine turtles
and the Swiftysweeper
hedgehogs made sure the
new cottage was clean
as a whistle.

By late afternoon, the
Cottage Crew was finished!



Soon after, the Croakalilys returned from camping. They couldn't believe the surprise waiting for them.

“You built Honeysuckle Hillside Cottage for us?” asked Libby. “It’s exactly what we wanted. Thank you so much!”





“That’s what neighbors do,”
said the Cottage Crew team.
“We’re so happy you like it!”

Then the Croakalilys invited
the Cottage Crew families to
enjoy the view of the pond—
from their new balcony!



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When Honeysuckle Hollow Pond floods their home,
the Croakalily frog family must build a new one.
This means they'll have to cancel their camping trip.
Or will they?

While Libby and Rob Croakalily and their kids,
Hip and Hop, plan the location and look of their new cottage,
their woodland friends are making plans of their own. What if
they band together and try to help out? Do they know their frog
neighbors well enough to succeed?

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