

## Story 10: The story of the Arrogant Frog and the Ox



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### The Story:

Once upon a time there was a frog and an ox. One day the frog saw the ox standing by a pond. The ox was drinking water from the pond. The frog saw that the ox was drinking too much water, not getting full, keeping on drinking. So the frog said:

-THAT'S NOTHING! I CAN DRINK LIKE HE DRINKS! EVEN MORE THAN THAT!

Then the frog went to the pond and tried to drink all the water in it. As the frog drank the water, he started to inflate like a balloon and then suddenly he bursted! The frog's arrogance was his undoing. He forgot that everyone has their own characteristics and that no one is like anyone else; he entered into a race with someone else in his own mind and ended up in this situation while trying to overtake him. The frog, in fact, has many qualities that are superior to the ox, but he succumbed to his arrogance and died trying to prove that he was superior to the ox in everything.



**Story Moral:** *Arrogance is a dangerous and harmful vice. It's harmful to see oneself in a giant mirror and try to compete with everyone in everything. Instead, one should know his/her strengths and weaknesses and never forget that everyone has their own characteristics.*