

Jim Smiley's Celebrated Frog

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Once upon a time in a mining camp, there lived a man named Jim Smiley. Jim loved to gamble and would bet on anything, from **1.** _____ to **2.** _____, to the health of the local parson's **3.** _____. One day he caught a frog, and named it **4.** _____. Jim spent three months training it to **5.** _____, and to catch flies whenever he said **6.** " _____ !"

One day Jim showed off **4.** _____ to a stranger, and offered to bet **7.** _____ dollars that his frog could out-**5.** _____ any other frog in **8.** _____. The stranger was **9.** _____, and said that he would take the bet if he had a frog, so Jim went out to catch him one. While Jim was away, the stranger **10.** _____ fed **11.** _____ to Jim's frog.

Jim and the stranger set their frogs down side by side. To start the race, Jim shouted **12.** " _____ " and he and the stranger touched their frogs on the **13.** _____. The stranger's frog jumped away but **4.** _____ could not budge. He was planted solid as an **14.** _____.

The **15.** _____ Jim paid the stranger, and the stranger left. Afterwards, Jim noticed **4.** _____ seemed **16.** _____ and picked the frog up, finding him to be much heavier than he remembered. When the frog belched, Jim realized that he had been cheated and chased after the stranger, but never caught him.