Croak

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PLIP PLOP PLIP! PLIP PLOP PLIP! PLIP PLOP PLIP!
Raindrops plipped and plopped on the roof of the school.
“Namaste, Masterji!” sang the children.
Masterji beamed. “Namaste, Namaste, Namaste!”

When Masterji turned to the blackboard—

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Someone hopped in through the window.
The children squealed.
“Look behind you, Masterji,” they said.
“There’s a frog in the room!”

“Oh, really?” Masterji said, pretending to be surprised.
“And what does your frog look like?”

“It’s BIG and PODGY,” said Akif.
“It’s GREEN and SPOTTY,” said Rani.
“It’s WET and SLIMY,” said Munni.

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In English class, Masterji said, “Turn to page 13.”
“Look behind you, Masterji,” said Farah.
“The frog is sitting on your chair!”
“Great! I hope she likes it here.”

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“Now where did I keep my glasses?” asked Masterji during Maths class. “Look behind you, Masterji,” said Bishal. “The frog is wearing your glasses!” “Never mind, I can see just as well without them.”

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When it was time for Science, Masterji said, “Here’s a bat hanging upside down from a tree.” “Look above you, Masterji,” said Akif. “The frog is hanging upside down from the fan!” “A frog that thinks she’s a bat, eh?”

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At lunch, Masterji asked, “Where are my aloo parathas? I’m sure I packed three more.”
“Look behind you, Masterji,” said Munni. “The frog is munching on your aloo parathas.”
“Well, at least someone loves my cooking.”

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When it was time for Games, Masterji said,  
“Where’s the football?”
“Look behind you, Masterji,” said Rani. “The frog just scored a goal.”  
“Fantastic! She must join our team.”

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The last bell rang.
Masterji waved cheerily to the children as he cycled away.
“Look behind you, Masterji,” the children squealed. “The frog is sitting on your bag!”
“Good! I could use the company.”
“I didn’t fall for any silly prank today!”

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There's a frog in the classroom, warn the students. A frog is eating up masterji's lunch. A frog is sitting on masterji’s chair. But masterji isn’t going to fall for his students’ pranks today.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.

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