

The Scorpion and the Frog

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A scorpion and a frog met on the bank of a river. The scorpion, not being able to swim, asked the frog to carry him across on its back. "How do I know you won't sting me?" asked the Frog. The scorpion replied, "because if I do, we will both die - you from my poison and me from drowning". The Frog, satisfied with the scorpion's answer, set out across the river with the Scorpion on his back, but in midstream the scorpion stung the frog. The frog felt the onset of the poison and started to sink, knowing they both would die. He had just enough time to gasp, "Why?". "It is my nature..." replied the scorpion.