

3. Because the young amphibians lack parental protection and are vulnerable to predators, the amphibian species must adapt by producing larger numbers of offspring.

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1. It is a disadvantage, since tadpoles, like all amphibians, must develop without parental feeding or protection.
2. The water environment facilitates fertilization and provides an environment for the amphibians to develop from primarily water-based organisms to land-living organisms.



1. These frogs live on land but give birth in water. Is that an advantage or disadvantage for their offspring?
2. What are some possible advantages of reproducing in a water environment?
3. Why do you think amphibians produce large numbers of offspring?