



Gardens
by the Bay

The Big Clean-up



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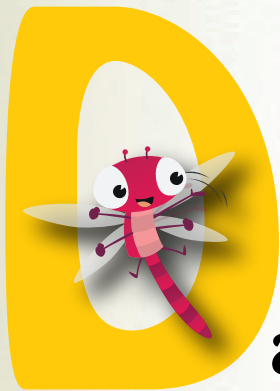
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**Freddy, we haven't
seen the rest of
Dragonfly Lake yet.
Let's explore!**



**Great
idea!**





Darcy the Dragonfly and Freddy the Frog love their new home.

One day, they decide to explore the other parts of Dragonfly Lake.

I don't know... but there is litter everywhere!
The poor animals don't look well at all.

Oh no!
What's going on here, Darcy?



he two friends are shocked when they see the filter beds.

There is litter everywhere!

The water is dirty and the animals are sick.



Oh dear, this sounds bad! Show me where you saw this.

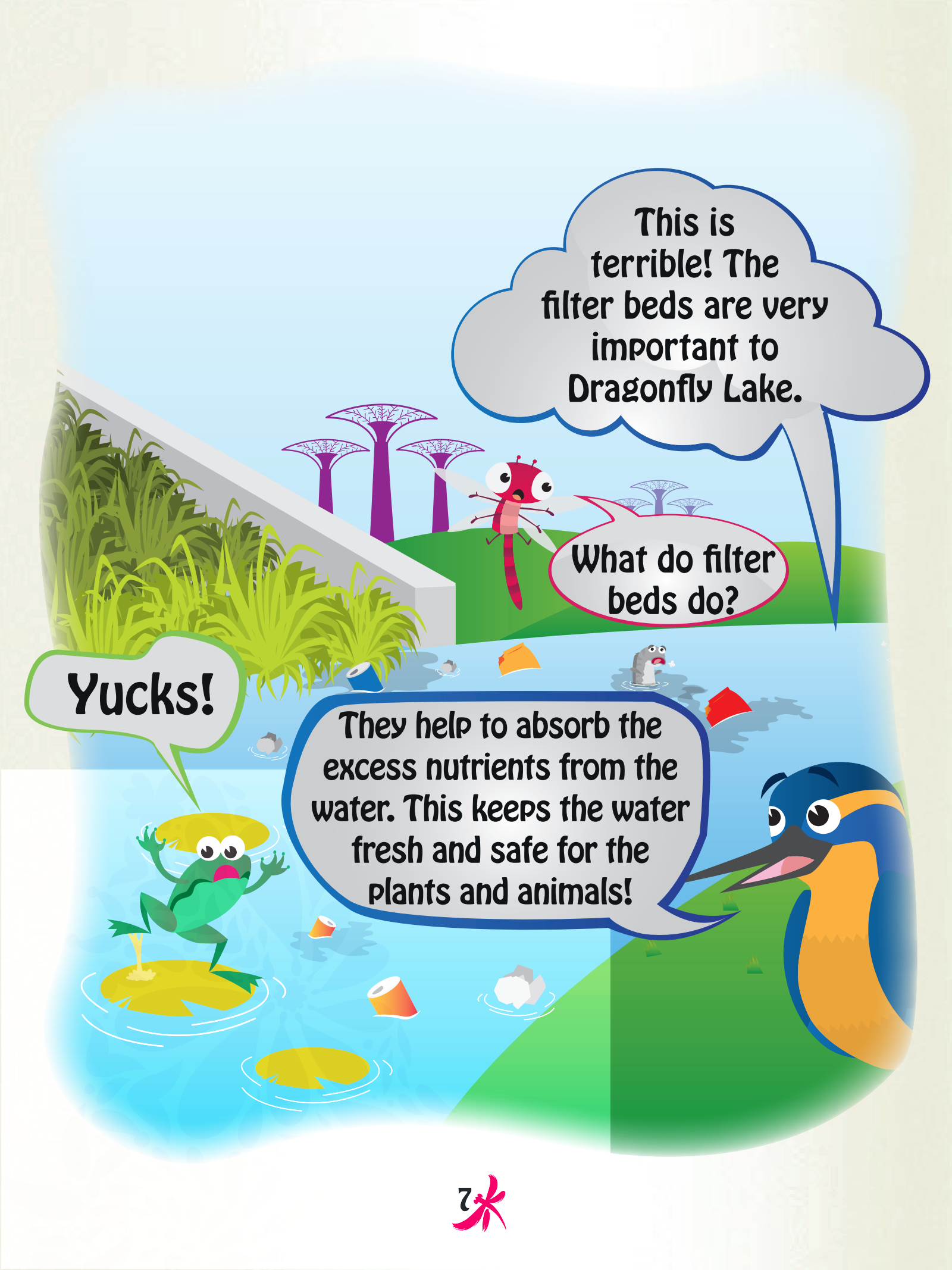




**arcy and Freddy hurry to tell
Kelly the Kingfisher what they saw.**

**Kelly is alarmed when she hears what
they have to say.**

She decides to see the mess for herself.



This is terrible! The filter beds are very important to Dragonfly Lake.

What do filter beds do?

Yucks!

They help to absorb the excess nutrients from the water. This keeps the water fresh and safe for the plants and animals!



Kelly is upset when she sees what has happened.

The three friends decide to do something to clean up the filter beds.

The filter beds at Dragonfly Lake are planted with water plants, like reeds. You will find them where the water enters the lake.





**Kelly tells Darcy and Freddy
more about the filter beds.**

**They learn that pollution can upset the
balance of the water system at the lake.**

**Everybody,
we need your help to
clean up the rubbish at
the filter beds over there!**

**Please
help us!**





arcy, Freddy and Kelly ask the other animals to help them clean up the lake.





Everyone pitches in!

They pick up all the rubbish and sort them into recycling bins.

After the big clean-up, the friends make posters to inform people not to litter.

Darcy, Freddy and Kelly help to put up the signs.

The lake looks much cleaner now.



Yay! The plants and animals look much healthier, too!





After the big clean-up, the lake looks as beautiful as before.

The animals are no longer sick and everyone feels much happier!



Activity Sheet 1

Fill up this crossword puzzle as quickly as you can!



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1. The water lily is a _____ - leaf plant.
2. You can find these tall plants at the reed beds.
3. The plants and animals in the pond need this to live.

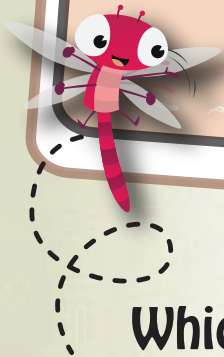
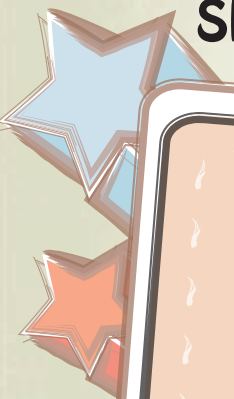
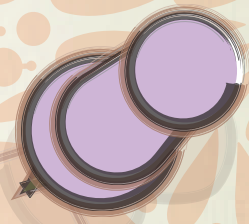
Down

4. Too much of this plant is harmful.
5. This pollutes the water in the lake.
6. The _____ of submerged aquatic plants absorb nutrients from the soil.



Activity Sheet 2

Sketch a Plant Island or Bog Garden!



Which animals would visit the plant island or bog garden? Can you name three?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____