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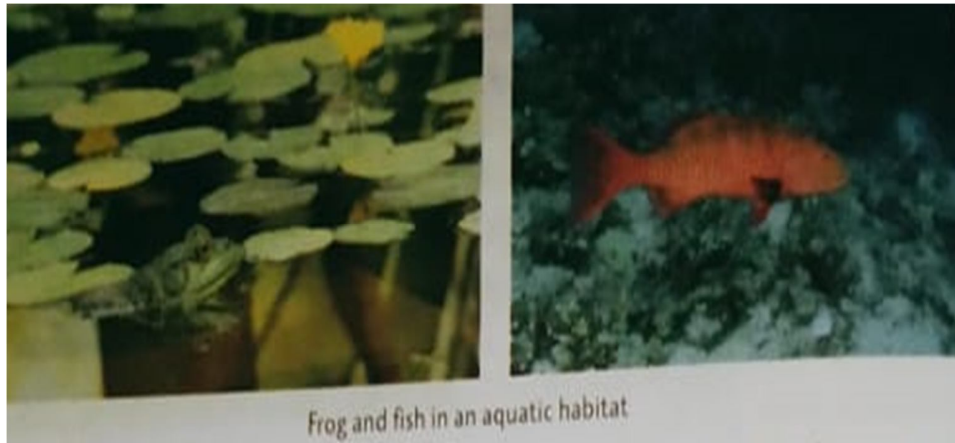
Today's Topic: Aquatic habitats

Aquatic habitats:

Rivers, ponds and lakes:

Rivers, ponds and lakes are freshwater bodies that harbour a wide variety of plants and aquatic life. Water plants, such as lotus and lily, usually have their roots fixed in the soil under the water. The stems of these plants are long, hollow and light, and grow up to the surface of water.

The leaves and flowers flat on the surface of the water. But some plants, such as the water hyacinth, are free-floating. They have long, spongy and bulbous stalks and feathery, freely hanging roots.



Some aquatic plants remain totally submerged in water. All parts of such plants grow under water. Some of these plants have narrow and thin ribbon-like leaves, which can bend in the flowing water. In some submerged plants, leaves are often highly divided through which the water can easily flow without damaging them.

Freshwater lakes and ponds are home to a wide variety of frogs and fishes, which live on insects, insect larvae or plant parts found in the water.

