

Frog & Turtle

Laughed old Frog to passing Turtle
As it scrounged its way through myrtle,
“Leave your shell and simply hurtle
Like I do...to dodge the myrtle.”

“I must see my whole pathway...
Yes, here and there, where snakes all play!”
Thus answered Turtle on its way
As it bade Frog “a fine, good day.”

Giggled Frog, “Oh well, eat dust then,
I will rest until the time when
I will leap where you have been!”
And Turtle said, “Well, look sharp then.”

The day wore on in Turtle-creep
While Frog enjoyed some peaceful sleep,
And when Frog woke it took its leap –
A bounding one...an incline steep.

As Turtle reached the other side,
It was in time to see Frog glide
Into the rattler’s grin...quite wide,
So Turtle shelled...to hide and bide.