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Week 10 – Batu Senawat

Read the text.

A very long time ago, there was a small Murut tribe who lived in a traditional longhouse near a river in Temburong. Their leader was known as Senawat. The Muruts planted rice and tapioca, hunted wild animals using a blowpipe and caught fish from the river. They had their own ceremonies and celebrations. Every time there was a special occasion, both men and women would wear traditional clothes known as 'Apar'. They also liked to sing and dance.

One afternoon, some children were bathing in the nearby river. They had a race. They swam across the river. They swam and played for a long time. They stopped when it was almost dark.

As they were walking home, one child called Esot saw something move in front of them. As they got closer, they could see that it was a frog on the path. "There's a big frog here! Let's take it home," said Esot.

The children sang, "Jump frog, jump, jump, up to our house". They pushed the frog with their feet. The poor frog had to follow the children back to the longhouse.

The children were mean to the frog. Some mothers saw the children and the frog. They laughed at the children.

"Why are the children laughing?" asked Esot's father, who had a squirrel in his hands. "There's a big frog from the river," replied Esot.

Answer the following questions.

1. What is the name of the tribe?

2. Who was the leader?

3. Where did the Murut tribe live?

4. What do the Murut people grow and hunt?

5. What were the children doing in the river?

6. How did the children make the frog follow them?

7. What did Esot's father have in his hands?
