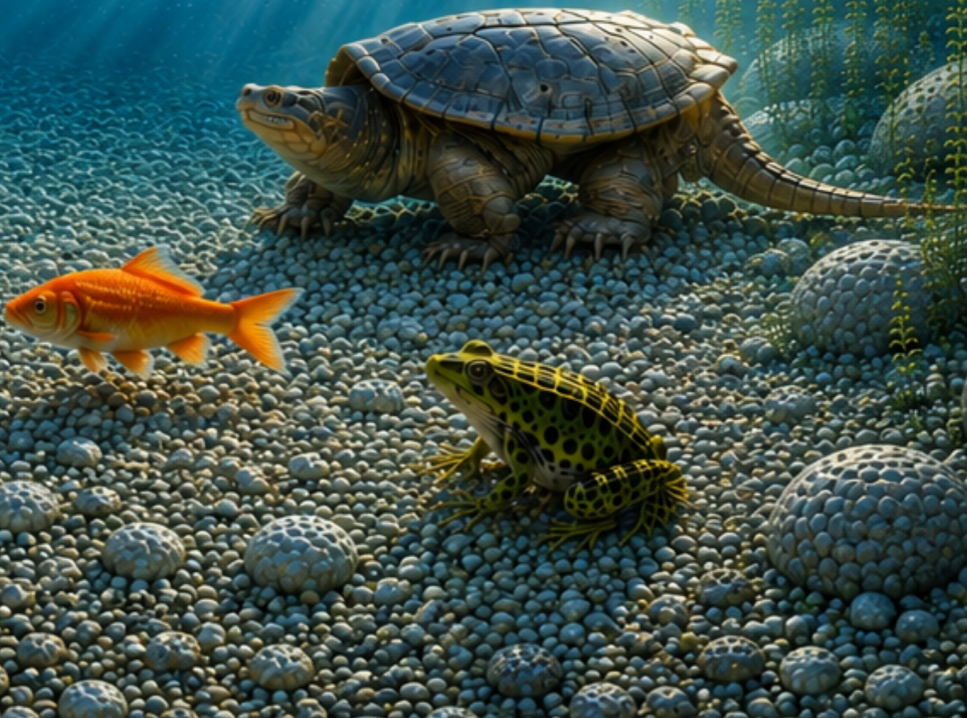




FRIENDSHIP MOON

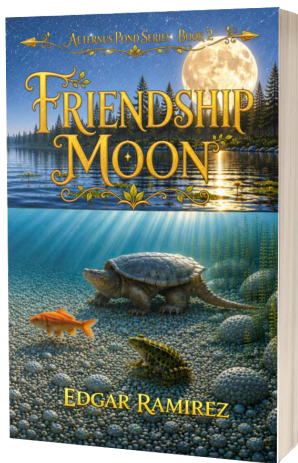
AETERNUS POND SERIES - BOOK 2



EDUCATORS GUIDE

ABOUT THE BOOK

Friendship Moon is the second book in the Aeternus Pond Series, continuing the adventures of Gary, Sheldon, and Meadow as they discover that trust, compassion, and supporting one another are the foundation of lasting friendships.



Set in the peaceful world of Aeternus Pond, the story encourages young readers to appreciate nature while exploring themes of friendship, empathy, remembrance, and belonging.

This Educator's Guide enriches the reading experience through discussion questions, writing activities, and cross-curricular connections that support language arts, science, and social-emotional learning. Whether used in the classroom, library, homeschool, or at home, these resources encourage meaningful conversations and help students connect the story to the natural world and their own lives.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Edgar Ramirez is the author of the Aeternus Pond Series, a collection of middle grade novels celebrating friendship, courage, kindness, and an appreciation for the natural world. Through memorable animal characters and engaging adventures, he encourages young readers to discover that life's greatest lessons are often found in the friendships we build, the challenges we overcome, and the world around us.



Inspired by the beauty of nature, Edgar's stories encourage curiosity, compassion, and environmental stewardship while fostering meaningful conversations in the classroom, at home, and beyond. His goal is to create stories that entertain, inspire, and remind readers that every journey offers an opportunity to learn and grow.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who was your favorite character in Friendship Moon, and what did they do that made the biggest impression on you?
2. Friendship is tested in different ways throughout the story. Which character demonstrated the greatest loyalty, and what did they do to earn your trust?
3. The Friendship Moon holds a special meaning for the characters. What do you think it represents, and why is it important to the story?
4. Describe a moment when one of the characters showed courage or compassion. How did that choice affect the others?
5. Throughout the story, Gary, Sheldon, and Meadow continue to grow as friends. What experiences helped strengthen their friendship the most?
6. Think about a time when a friend encouraged or helped you during a difficult situation. How was your experience similar to or different from the friendships in Friendship Moon?

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

FRIENDSHIP WEB - Friendship is one of the central themes of Friendship Moon. Working individually or in small groups, have students create a friendship web showing how Gary, Sheldon, Meadow, and the other characters support one another throughout the story. Write each character's name inside a circle and connect them with lines. Along each line, write a word or short phrase describing how the characters helped, encouraged, or learned from one another. Discuss how trust, kindness, and teamwork strengthen lasting friendships.

OBSERVING THE NIGHT - The moon plays an important role in Friendship Moon. Invite students to observe the night sky for one week and record the appearance of the Moon each evening. Have them draw what they see, identify the moon phase if possible, and write a few sentences describing how the changing moon might influence the animals living around a pond. Compare observations in class and discuss how the Moon has inspired stories, traditions, and scientific discovery throughout history.