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- _____ The wood frog completely freezes.
- _____ The wood frog's heart starts to beat again.
- _____ A wood frog burrows under layers of dead leaves.

2. Why is "Frozen Frogs" a good title for this passage?

3. What is the best meaning of the word **unbelievable** in this passage?

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| a. normal | b. incredible |
| c. hard to believe | d. easy to believe |

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