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Prompt: A student draws a sitting frog with a body oval 6 cm wide and 3 cm tall, and a leaping frog with a body oval 9 cm wide and 3 cm tall. The sitting knee angle is about 60 degrees and the leaping knee angle is about 120 degrees. Check the proportions and pose.

Answer: The sitting ratio is 6:3, or 2:1. The leaping ratio is 9:3, or 3:1. The leaping oval is longer, which matches the leaping silhouette. The sitting knee angle (60 degrees) is smaller than the leaping knee angle (120 degrees), so the pose difference is correct. The leaping foot should point away from the body; if it points forward, adjust the foot segment. These numbers are hypothetical examples; measure your own drawing.