

A salamander

I am a salamander.

Dressed in a suit of cryptic colors.

I am not a lizard.

Think of me as a different thing —

A wetland creature.

I love small prey

That are slow as a snail.

Just like a frog,

I'm leaping around everywhere.

Yes, me!

I don't bite

Or poison innocents.

I only hurt myself —

Getting too close to bigger mates,

Not being able to live another day.

