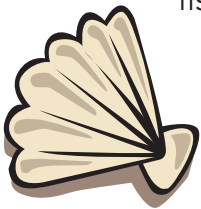




# George Guppy

There has been a secret meeting in the ornamental castle at the bottom of George's fish tank. Guppies only. No neon tetras allowed. He and his guppy mates are planning a 'flash mob' event that will blow the stripes off the rest of the fish in the tank.



It was George's idea, prompted by a peep at a YouTube video that someone left playing on their iPad within sight of the tank. It was a bit distorted by the water and the glass, but he

got the general gist and now he's so excited that he thinks he might burst! Guppies love doing things together – eating, swimming about, hiding from predators, whizzing away from predators when the hiding doesn't go so well... And they were born to dazzle, with their amazing colours and extravagant tails. In fact he was runner-up in FTGT (Fish Tank's Got Talent) as part of a guppy dance troupe. They were only pipped at the post by a fire mouth chichilid who could do ventriloquism.



For their surprise flash mob event, George and his friends have prepared a complicated swirl of a dance, that will only start when George himself gives a special flick of his tail. At that signal, every guppy will casually turn to face the front of the tank and sing 'Somewhere Over the Rainbow'. This is the guppy anthem, and the reason they are also known as 'rainbow fish'. Expert fish keepers will tell you they have this alternative name because of their bright colours, but it's actually because they are huge Judy Garland fans.

It's nearly time to start. All the guppies are in position and acting casual. The other fish won't know what to think! George does his special tail flick...

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