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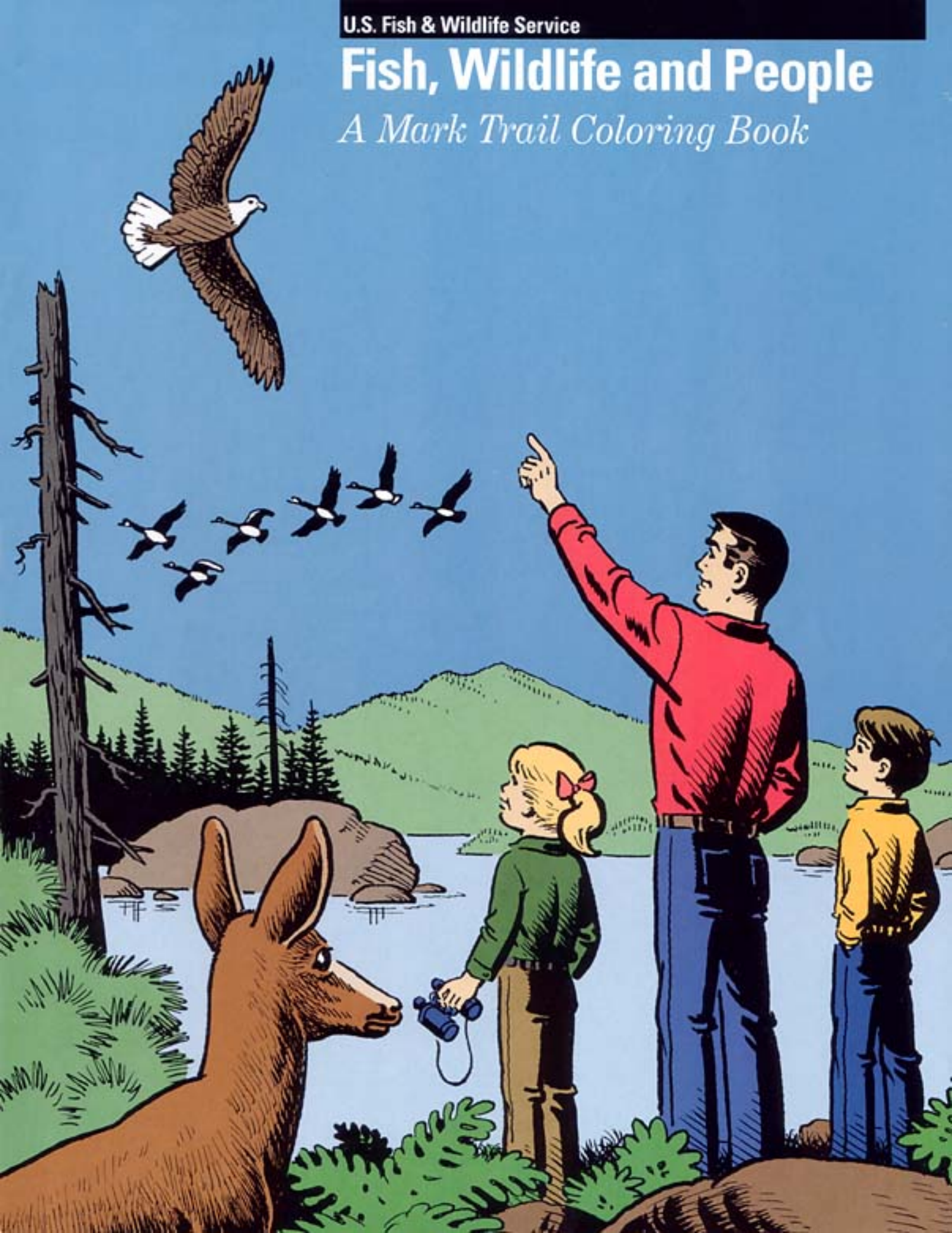
A Mark Trail Coloring Book



MARK

CHERRY

In this coloring book, we will learn how to care for America so that our friends and families -- and someday our children -- can enjoy the same exciting adventures for years to come.

Mark Trail

RUSTY

ANDY

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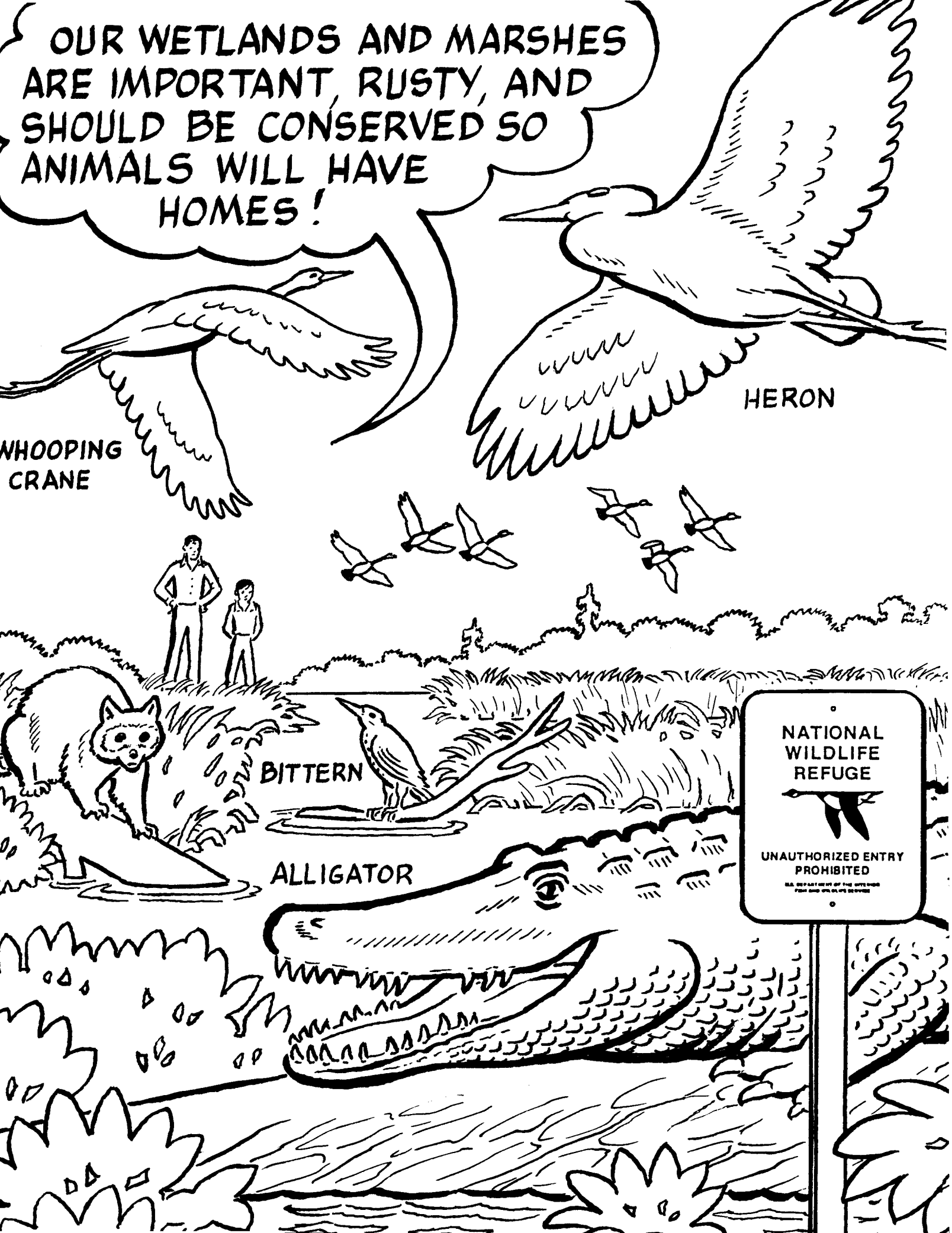
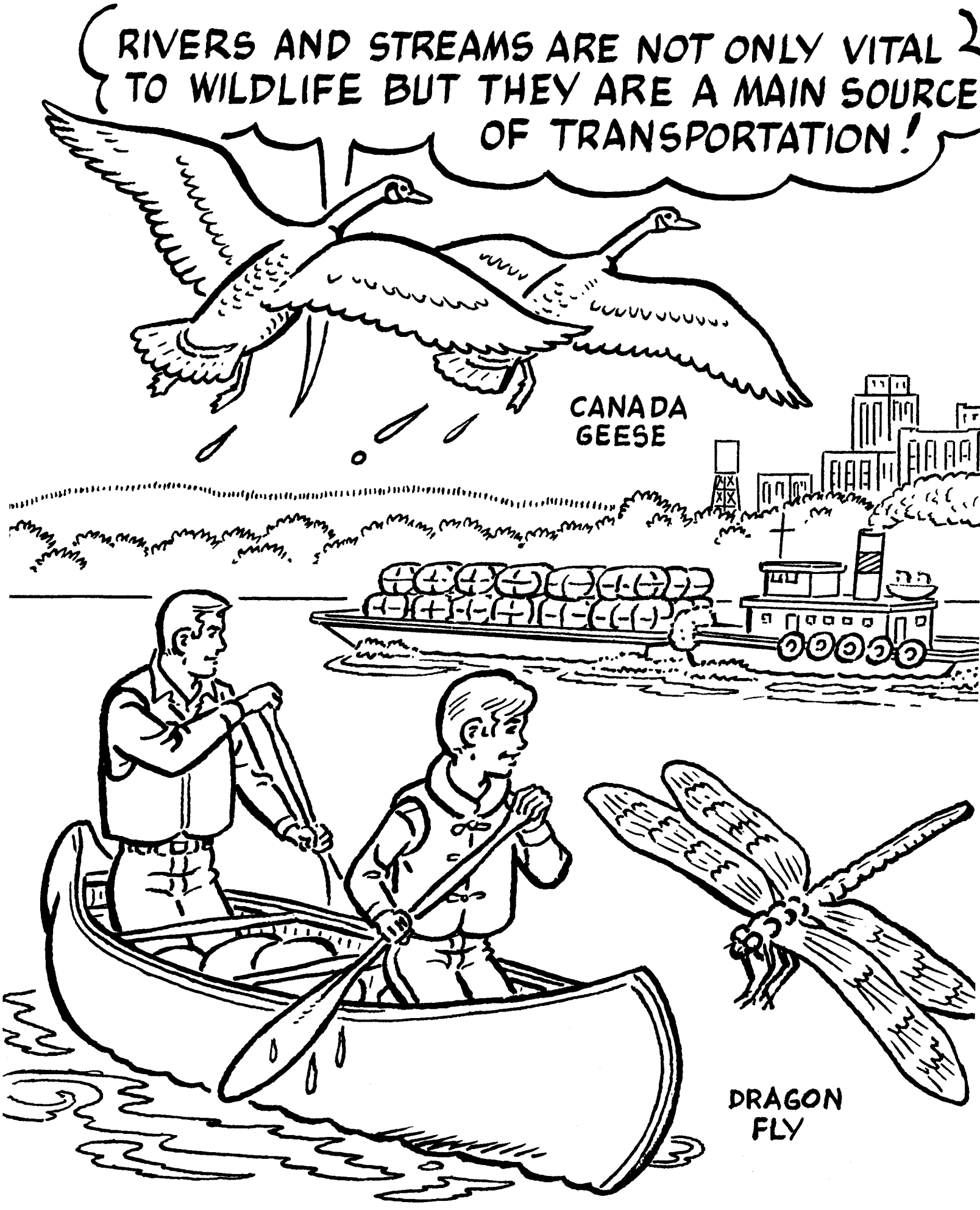
RUSTY, DID YOU KNOW THAT OVER ONE-THIRD OF AMERICA BELONGS TO YOU AND ME?
COMMON SULPHUR
REALLY? WOW!.. YOU MEAN I OWN PART OF AMERICA?

MALLARDS
THAT'S RIGHT... INCLUDING NATIONAL AND STATE PARKS, WILDLIFE REFUGES, FORESTS AND SHORES, CITY PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS, AND OPEN SPACES!

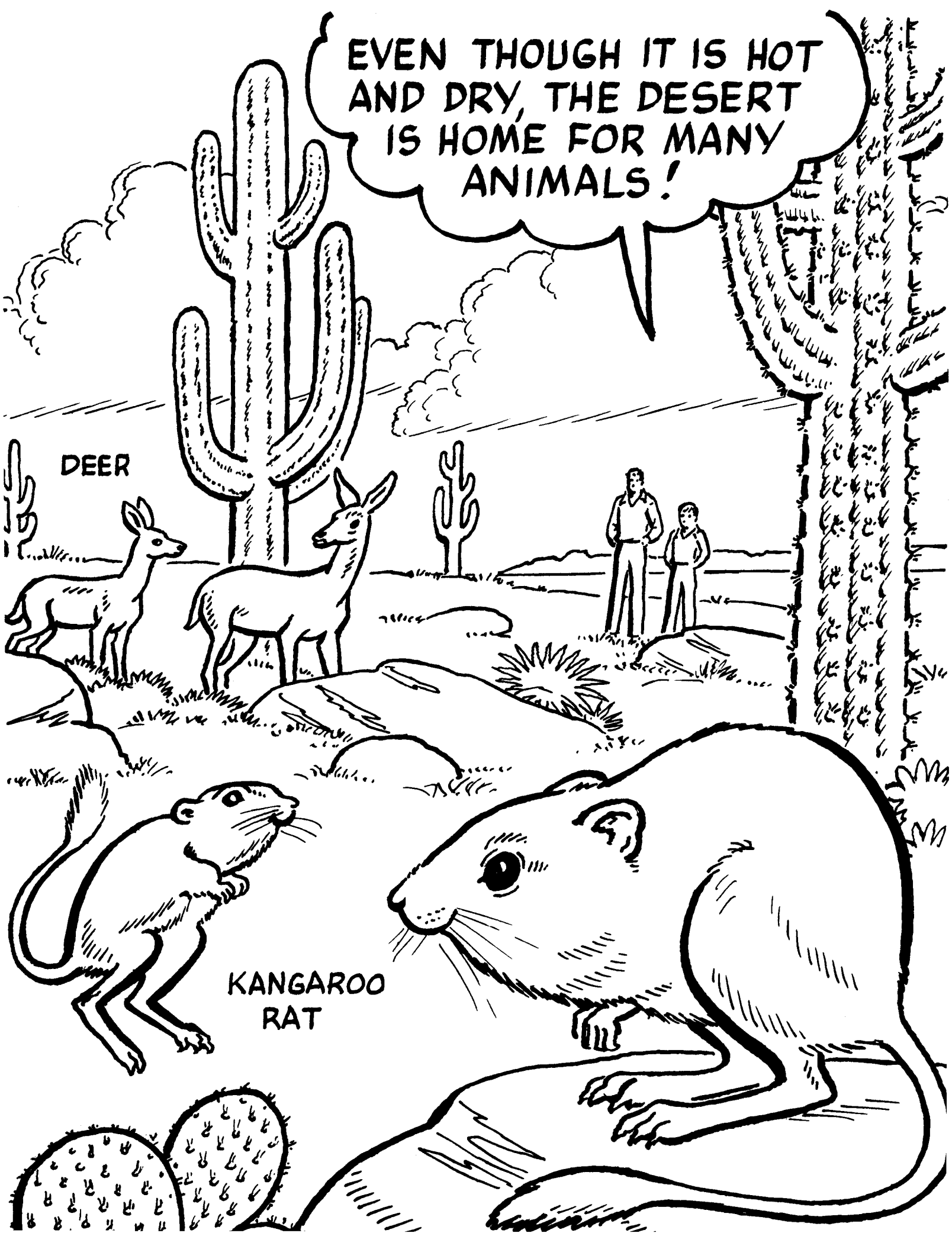
WHY DON'T WE TAKE A TRIP THROUGH OUR PUBLIC LANDS AND TALK ABOUT HOW WE CAN HELP KEEP THEM BEAUTIFUL!
IF THE LAND IS PART MINE I WANT TO TAKE CARE OF IT!
RACCOON

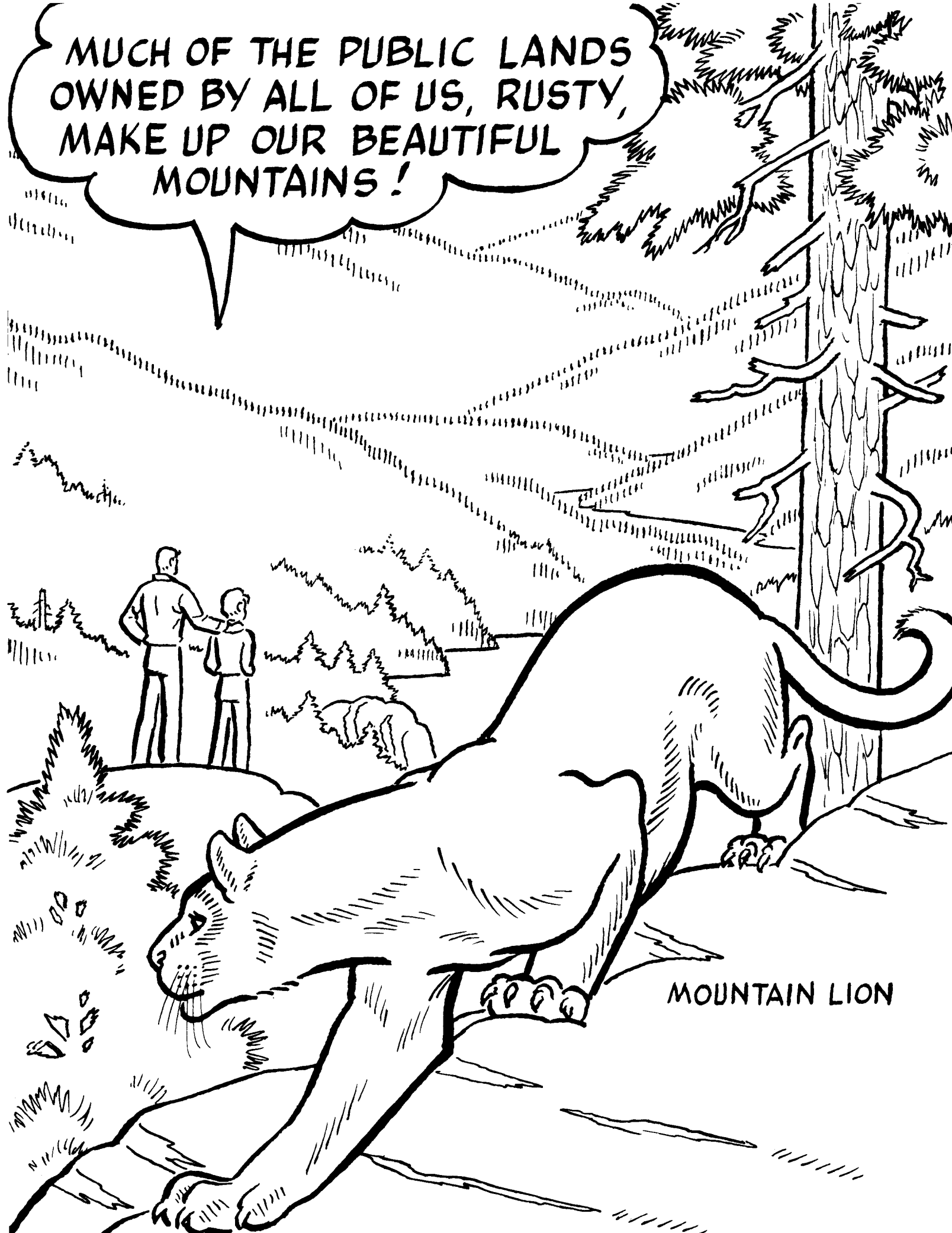

OUR WETLANDS AND MARSHES ARE IMPORTANT, RUSTY, AND SHOULD BE CONSERVED SO ANIMALS WILL HAVE HOMES!
WHOOPING CRANE
HERON
BITTERN
ALLIGATOR
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY PROHIBITED

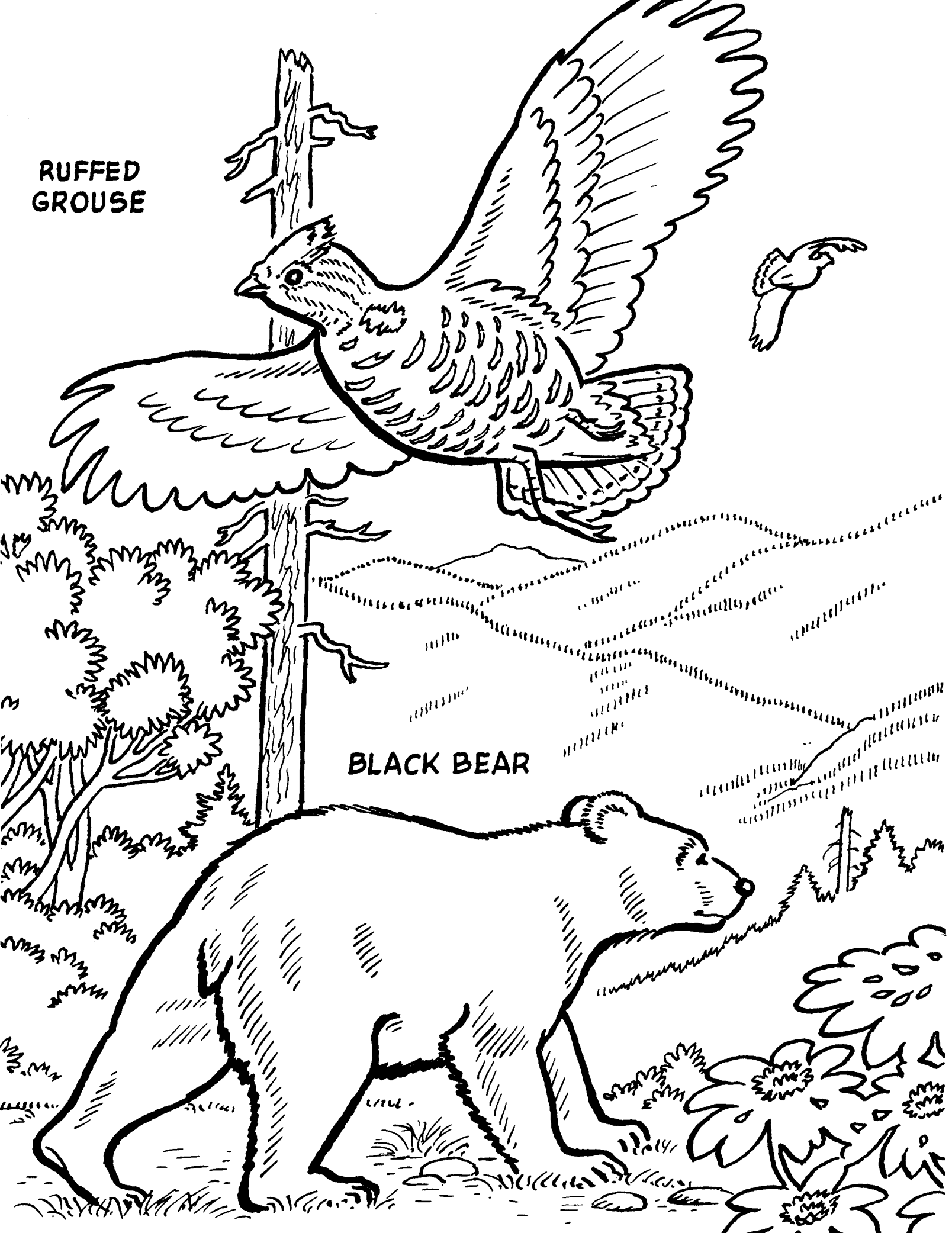

RIVERS AND STREAMS ARE NOT ONLY VITAL TO WILDLIFE BUT THEY ARE A MAIN SOURCE OF TRANSPORTATION!
CANADA GEESE
DRAGON FLY

WOW!... I'D LIKE TO COME BACK AND CATCH THAT TROUT!
IF WE MAKE SURE THIS WATER STAYS CLEAN AND UNPOLLUTED YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO CATCH TROUT HERE!
RAINBOW TROUT

"POLLUTED WATER DESTROYS THE HOMES OF WILDLIFE...
"CLEAN WATER PROVIDES WHAT THEY NEED FOR BETTER LIVES"


EVEN THOUGH IT IS HOT AND DRY, THE DESERT IS HOME FOR MANY ANIMALS!
DEER
KANGAROO RAT


MUCH OF THE PUBLIC LANDS OWNED BY ALL OF US, RUSTY, MAKE UP OUR BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAINS!
MOUNTAIN LION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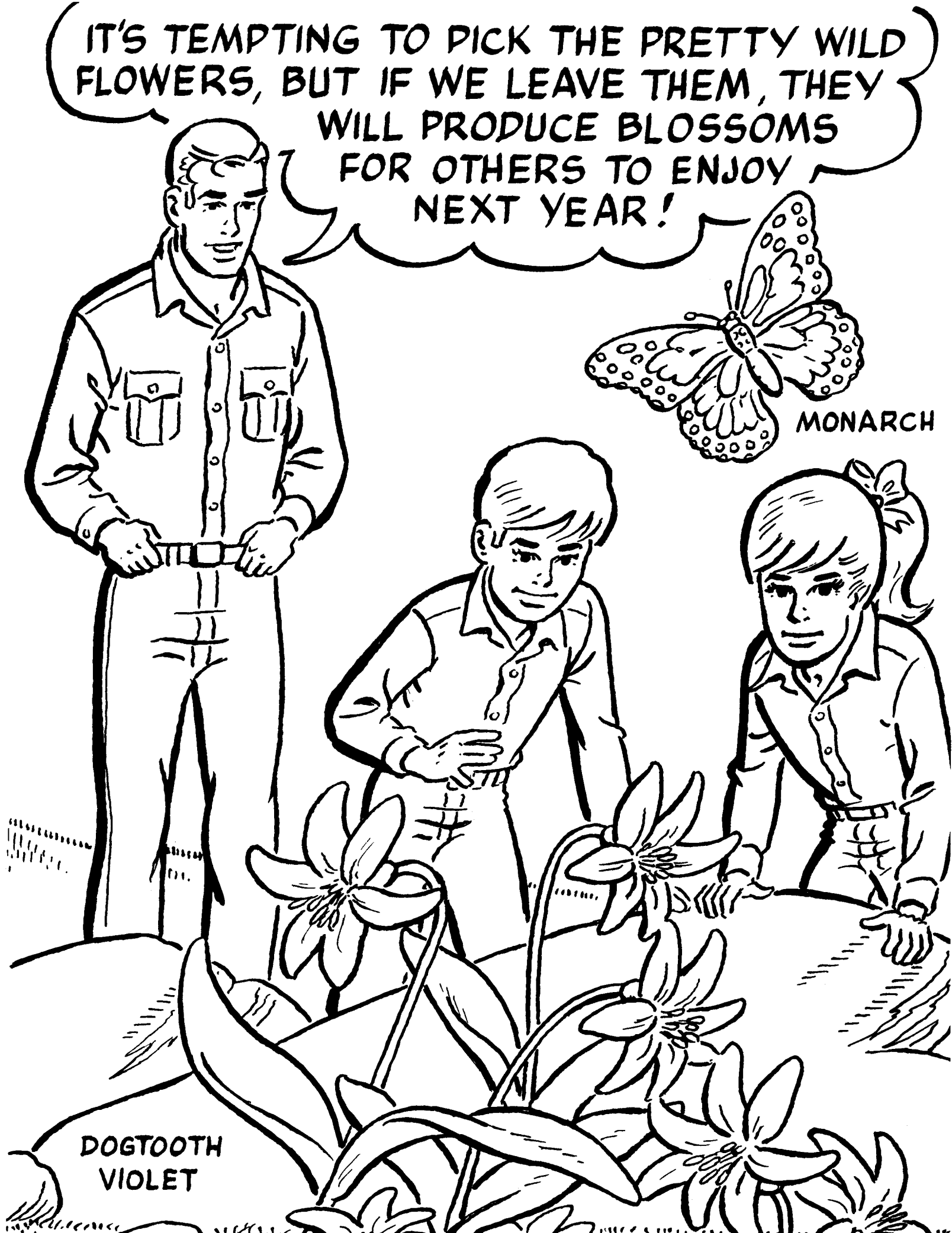
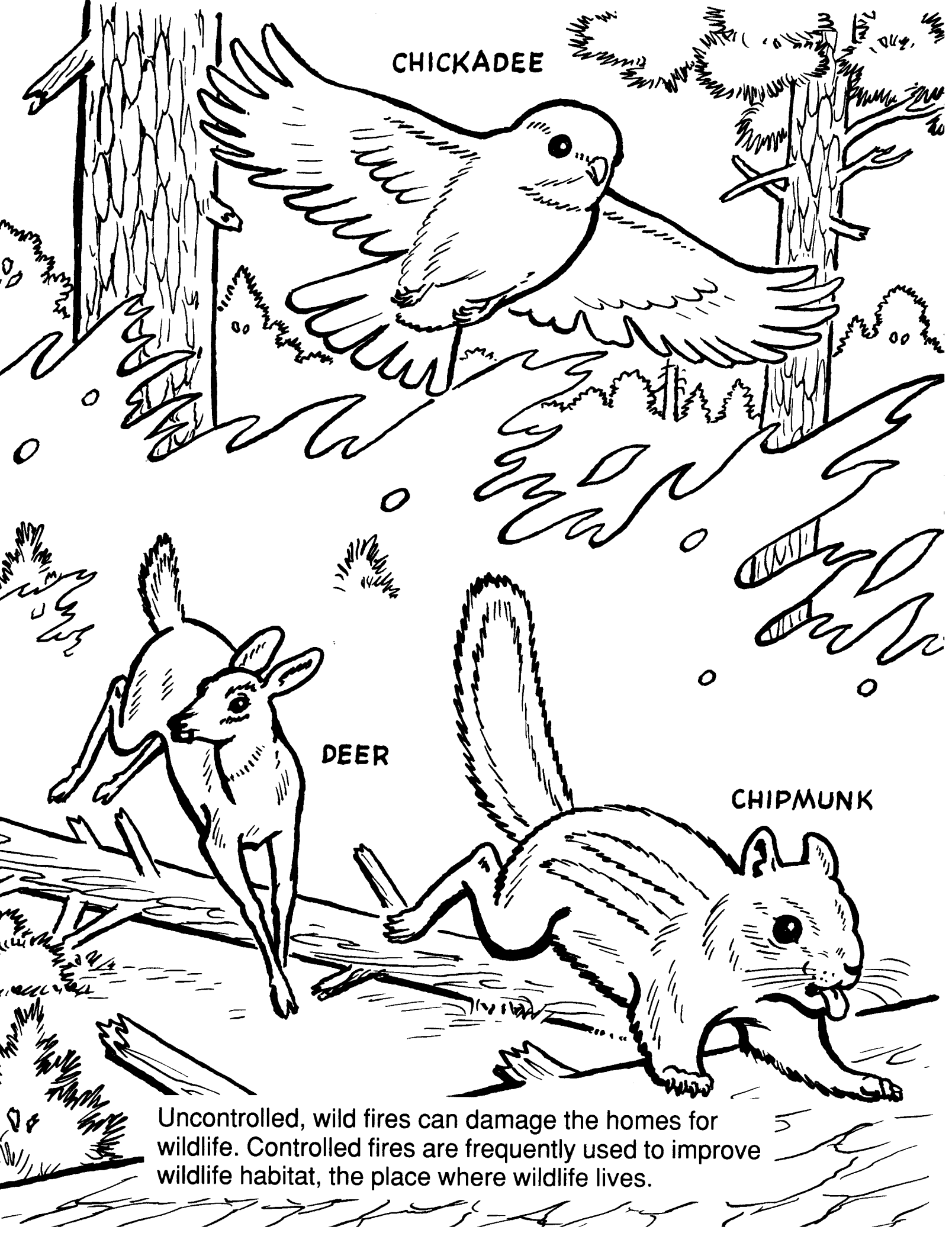
GROUSE
BLACK BEAR

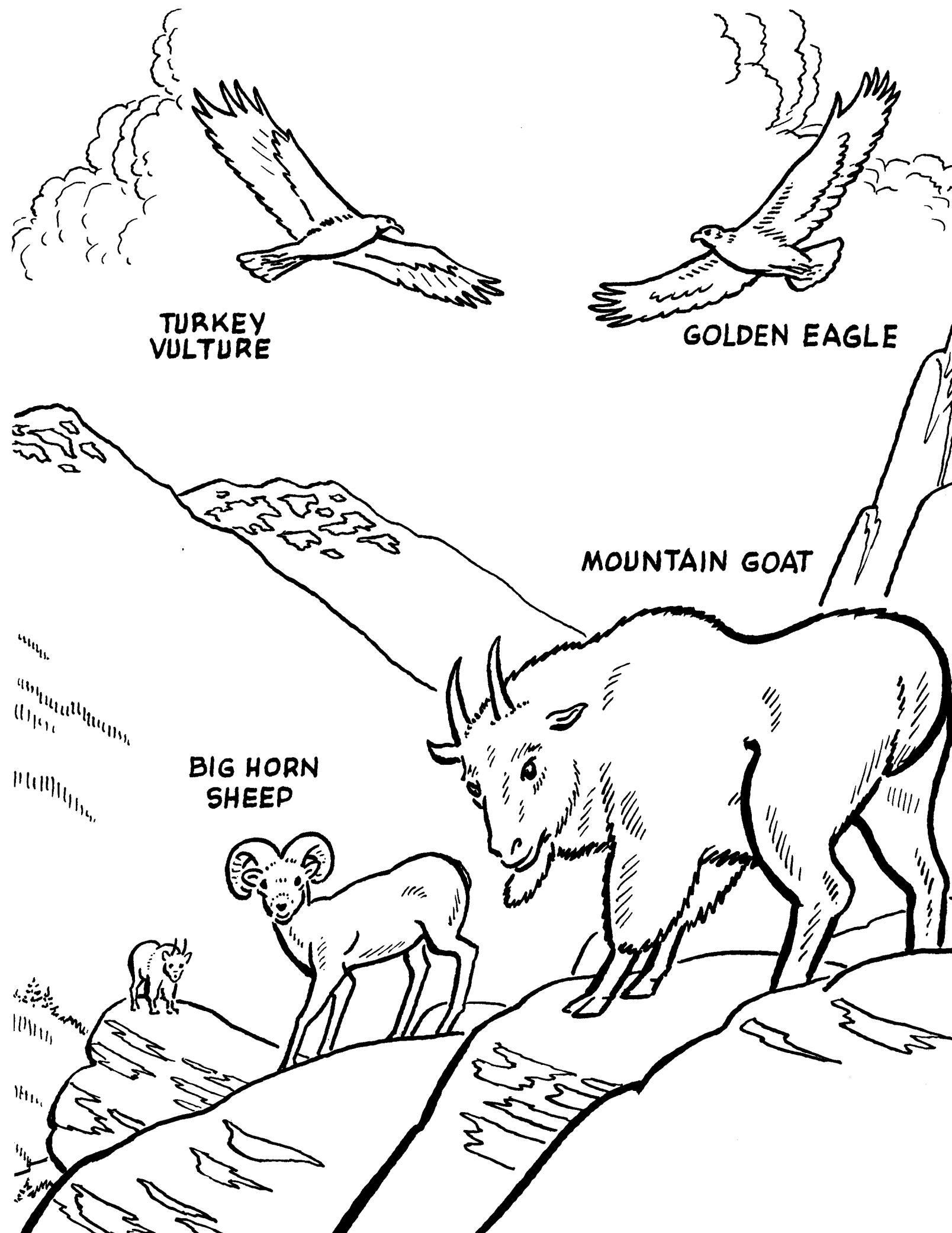

IT'S TEMPTING TO PICK THE PRETTY WILD FLOWERS, BUT IF WE LEAVE THEM, THEY WILL PRODUCE BLOSSOMS FOR OTHERS TO ENJOY NEXT YEAR!
MONARCH
DOGTOOTH VIOLET

LOOK, MARK, THAT FAMILY IS BASS FISHING...I BET IT'S FUN!
I WONDER IF THE LADY ENJOYS FISHING AS MUCH AS CHERRY!
BULLFROG

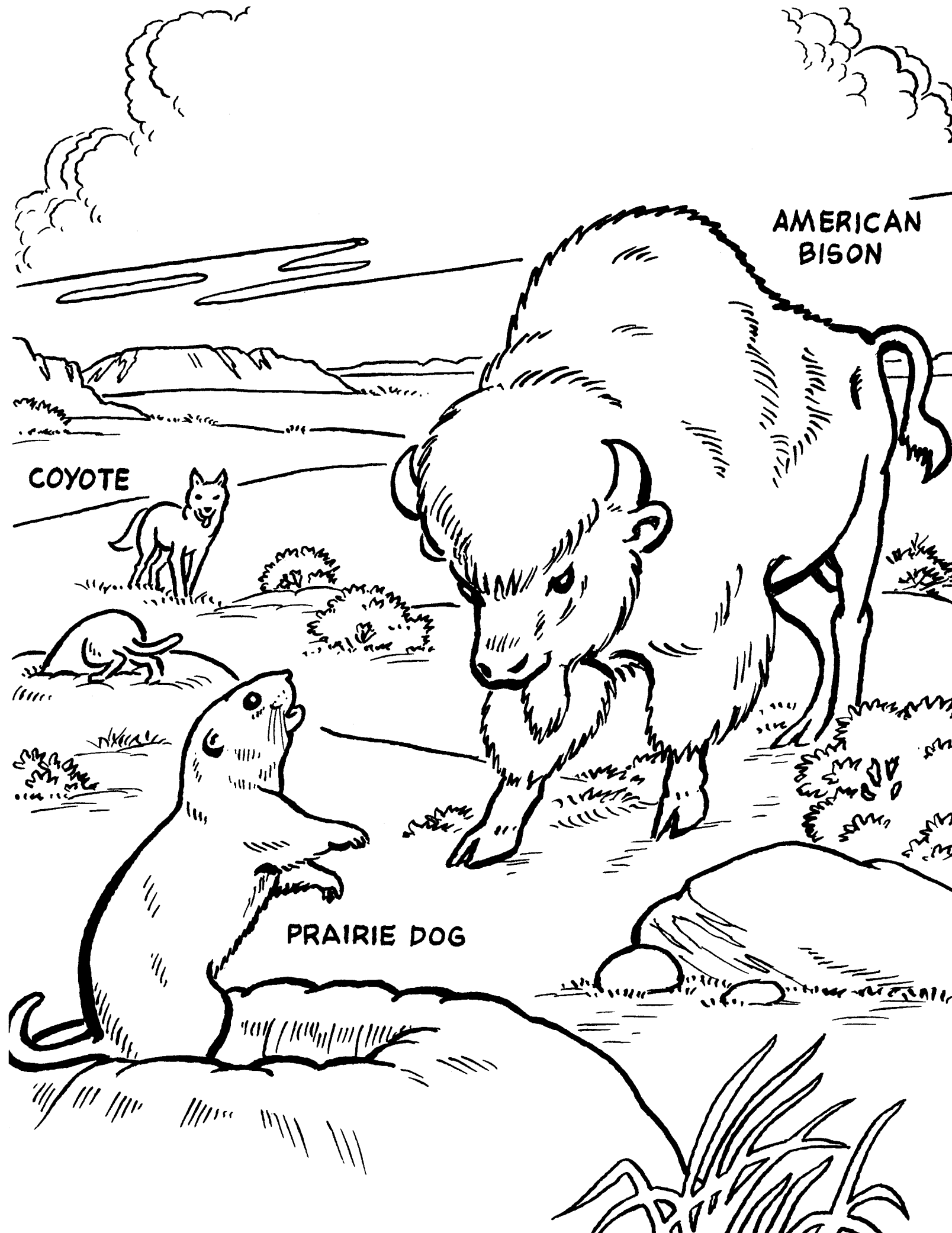
WE'VE GOT TO BE SURE OUR CAMPFIRE IS OUT...ONE LITTLE SPARK CAN BE DANGEROUS!
KINGLET



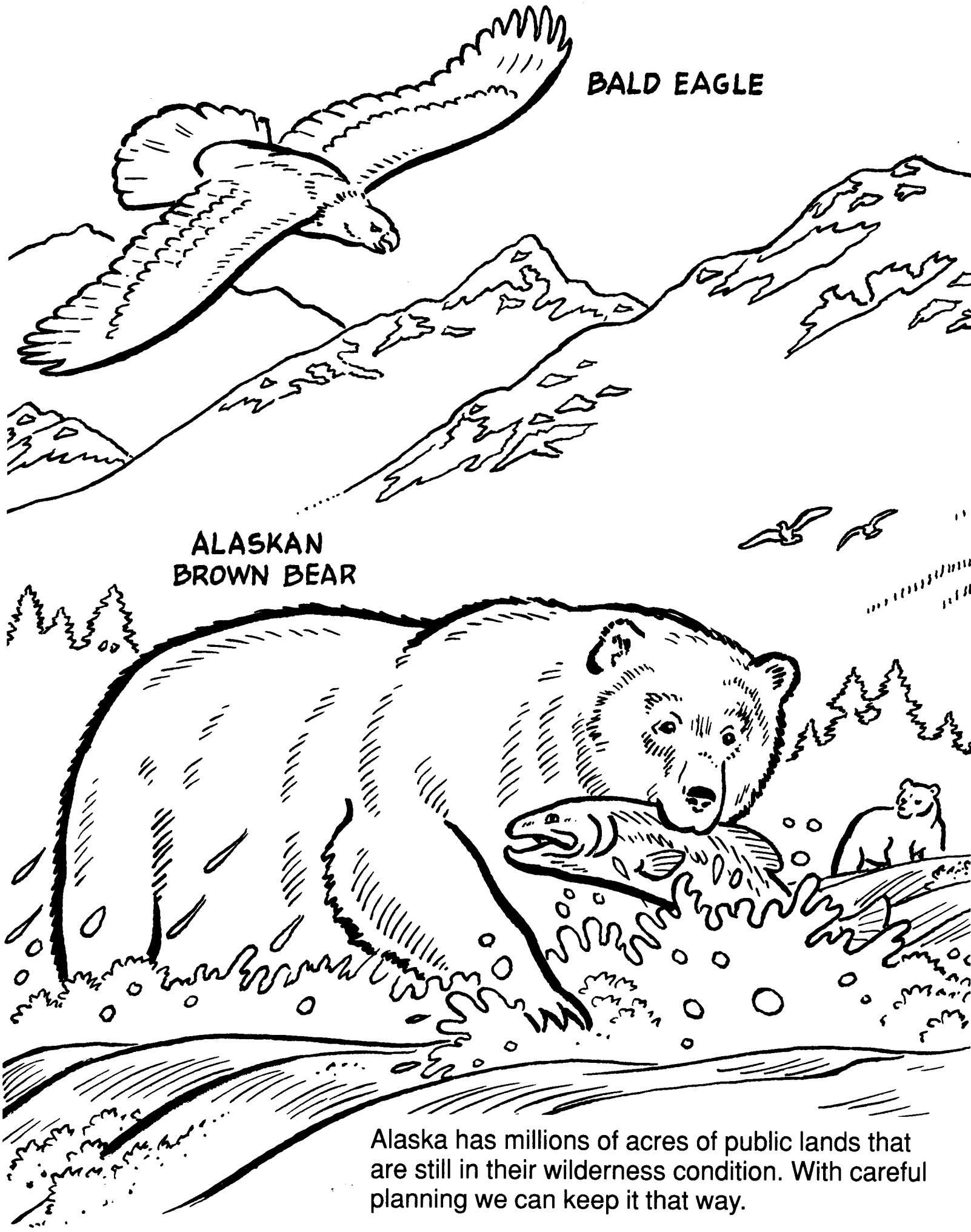
Uncontrolled, wild fires can damage the homes for wildlife. Controlled fires are frequently used to improve wildlife habitat, the place where wildlife lives.


TURKEY VULTURE
GOLDEN EAGLE
MOUNTAIN GOAT
BIG HORN SHEEP

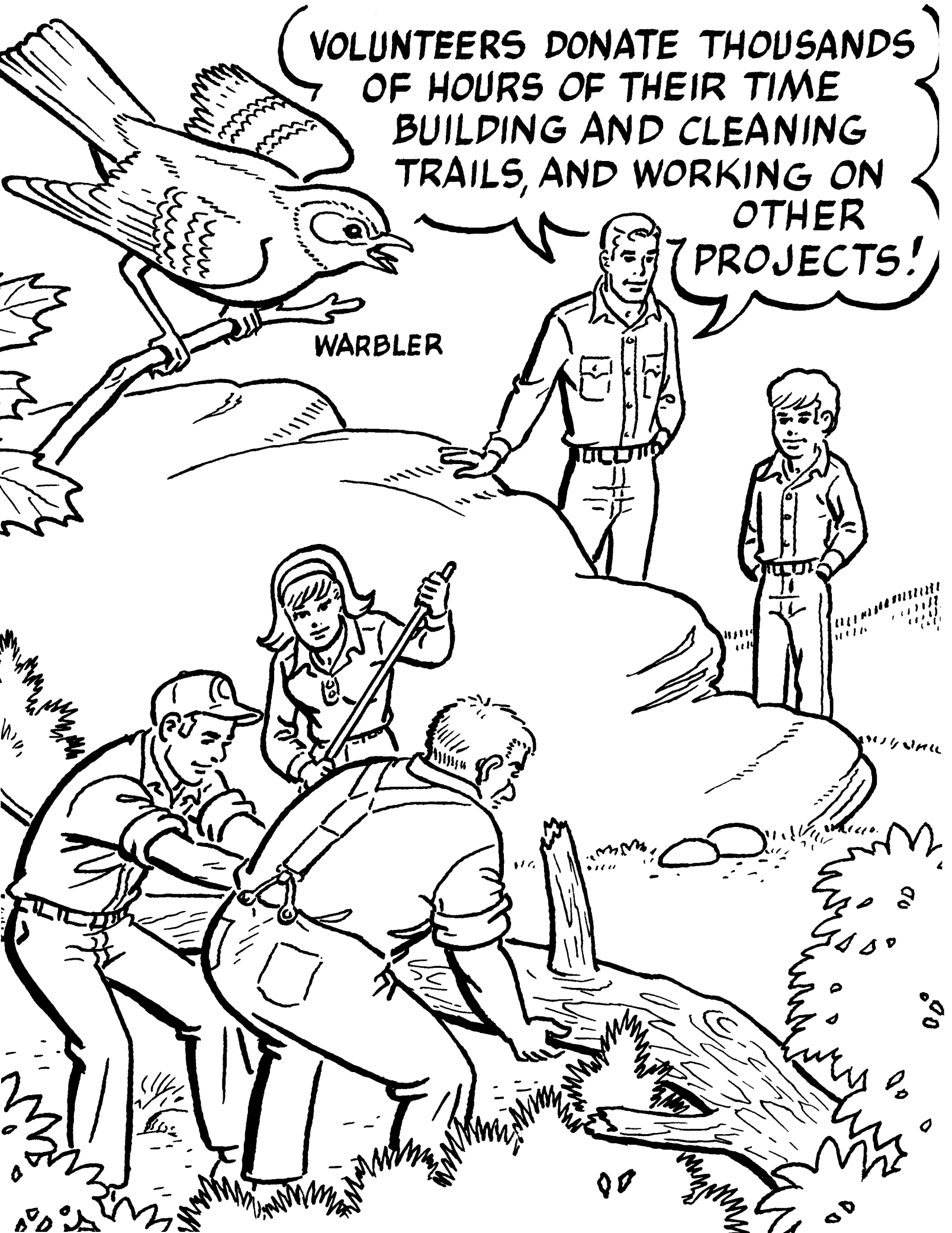
THOSE CAMPERS ARE BEING VERY CONSIDERATE...THEY NOT ONLY LEFT THEIR CAMPING AREA CLEAN, BUT THEY ARE TAKING THEIR GARBAGE OUT WITH THEM!
LIZARD


AMERICAN BISON
COYOTE
PRAIRIE DOG

WHY WOULD ANYONE WANT TO RUIN OUR COUNTRY'S HISTORIC SITES, MARK?
MOST PEOPLE CARE FOR AND ENJOY OUR PUBLIC LANDS, BUT TOO MANY THOUGHTLESS PEOPLE DESTROY THEM!
PETE
LOVE
ANI
CLASS
OF
ANARCHY
HORNED LIZARD



Alaska has millions of acres of public lands that are still in their wilderness condition. With careful planning we can keep it that way.

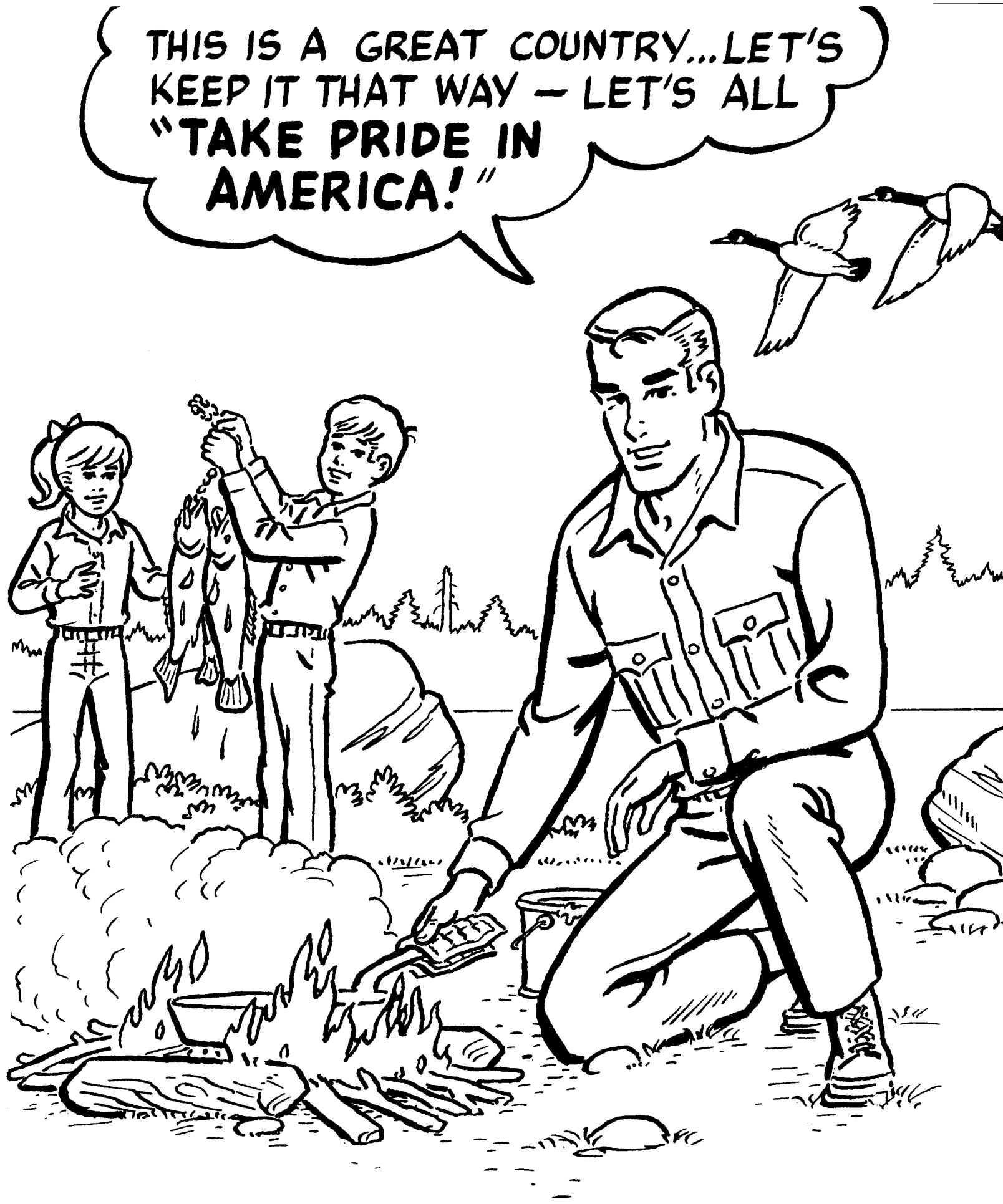

VOLUNTEERS DONATE THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF THEIR TIME BUILDING AND CLEANING TRAILS, AND WORKING ON OTHER PROJECTS!
WARBLER

WE HAD A GREAT TRIP, CHERRY... MARK'S GOING TO TELL MY FRIENDS HOW THEY CAN HELP KEEP OUR PUBLIC LANDS IN GOOD SHAPE FOR OTHER GENERATIONS!

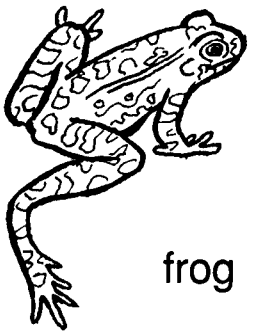
YOU CAN OBEY THE LAWS AND REPORT VANDALISM, WILDLIFE POACHING, THEFT, AND OTHER DESTRUCTIVE ACTIVITY!
I'M GOING TO STOP LITTERING!
YEAH, AND WE'LL HELP CLEAN UP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PARK!

Cities and communities across the country are recycling to reduce the amount of trash that is burned or put into landfills; aluminum & steel cans, plastics, glass, and paper.

WE MUST ALL WORK TO MAKE PEOPLE AWARE THAT PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS ARE OUR LANDS...
SQUIRREL
IT IS FOR US TO ENJOY, BUT WE MUST ALSO TAKE CARE OF IT!


THIS IS A GREAT COUNTRY...LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY — LET'S ALL "TAKE PRIDE IN AMERICA!"

Baby wildlife sometimes have different names than their adult parents. On the left side of this page is an adult wildlife. On the right side of the page are their young, but the pictures are all mixed up! Can you match the young with their parents? Then color the pictures!

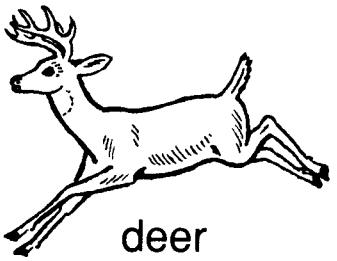


frog

cub

goose

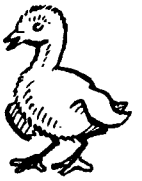
fry



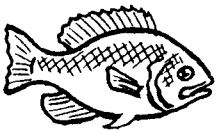
deer

tadpole

dragonfly



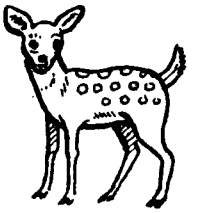
gosling



fish

nymph

bear



fawn

Answers:
frog - tadpole, goose - gosling, deer - fawn, dragonfly - nymph, fish - fry, bear - cub

In each group, circle the one wildlife that does **not** belong with the others.

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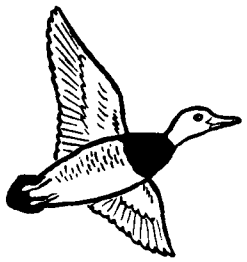
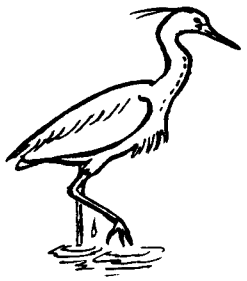
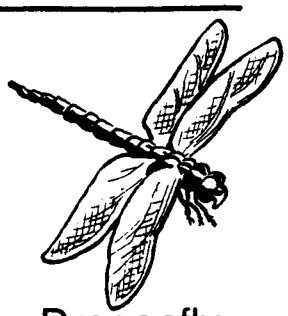

Duck


Heron

Eagle


Dragonfly

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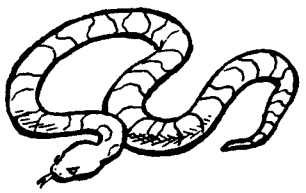
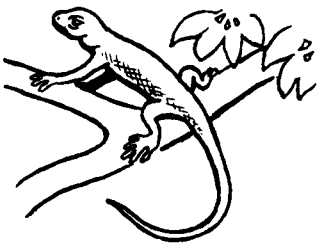
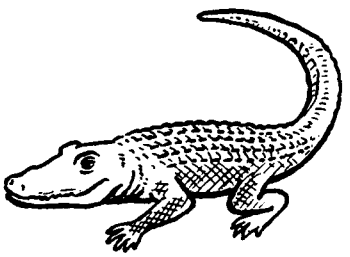

Snake


Lizard

Bullfrog


Alligator

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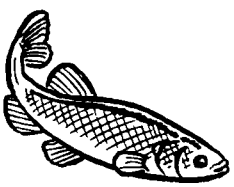
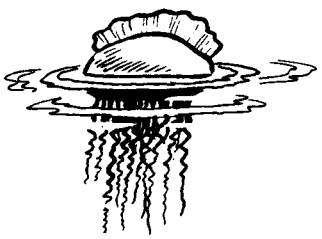
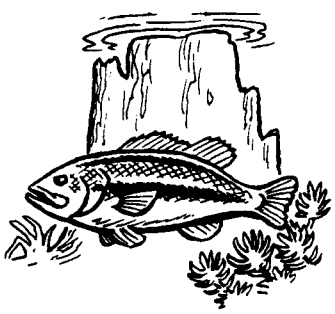
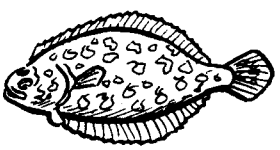

Minnow


Jellyfish


Bass


Flounder

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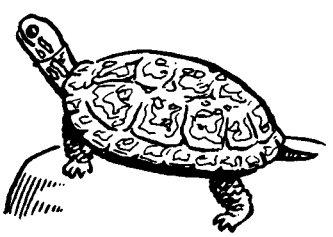
Deer

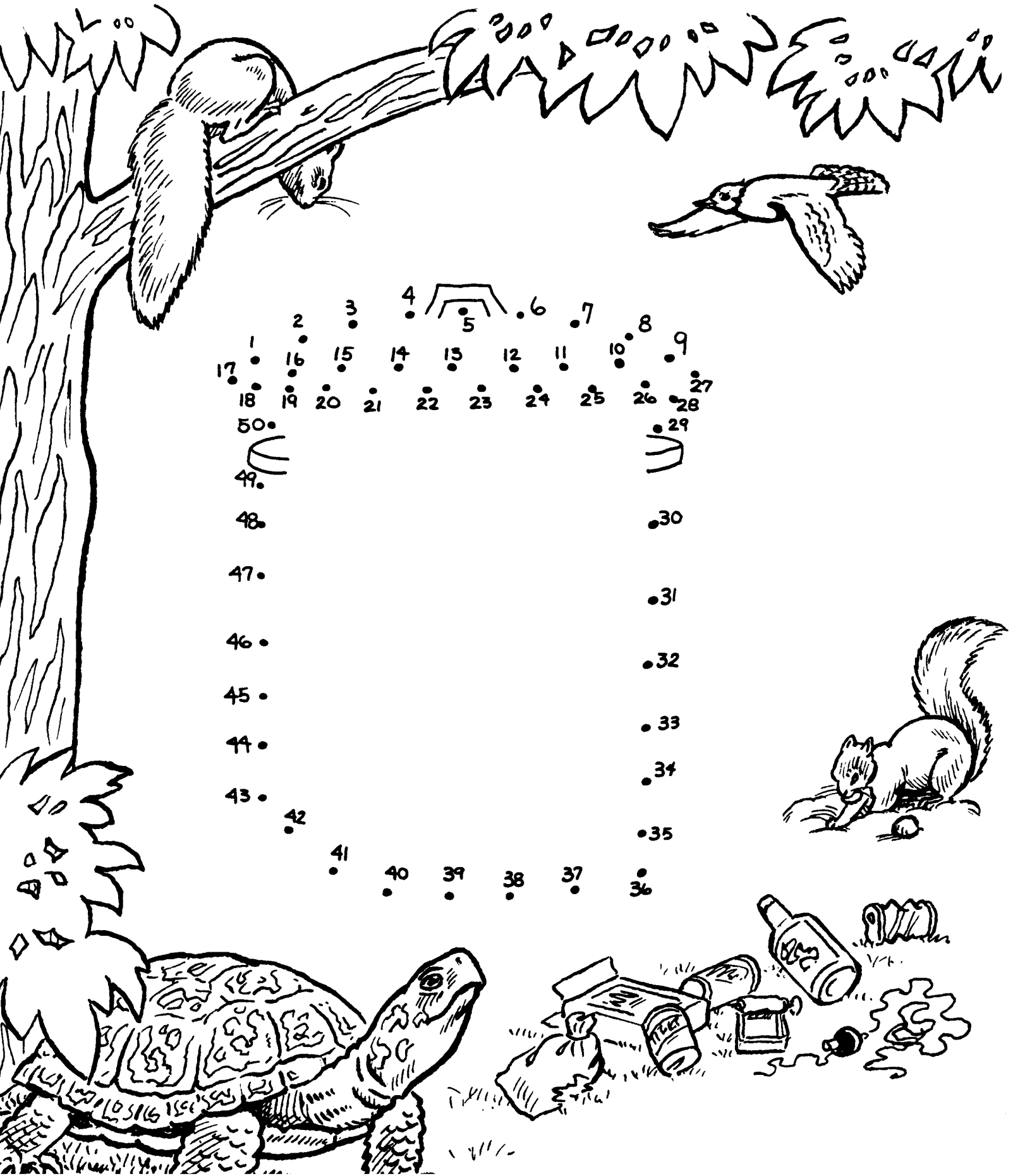
Muskrat

Fox


Turtle

Answers:
1. The dragonfly is different because it is an insect; the others are birds.
2. A bullfrog is not a reptile like the others; it is an amphibian.
3. Jellyfish are not really fish at all—they are called invertebrate. The others are true fish.
4. Turtles are reptiles. The other animals are mammals.

It is very important that we keep our public lands clean.
Connect the dots to see how you can help.



The words below are all names of wildlife found in wetlands—but they are all scrambled. Can you unscramble the letters to correctly spell the names? Then draw a line from the wildlife's name to its picture.

carcono _____

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frgollub _____

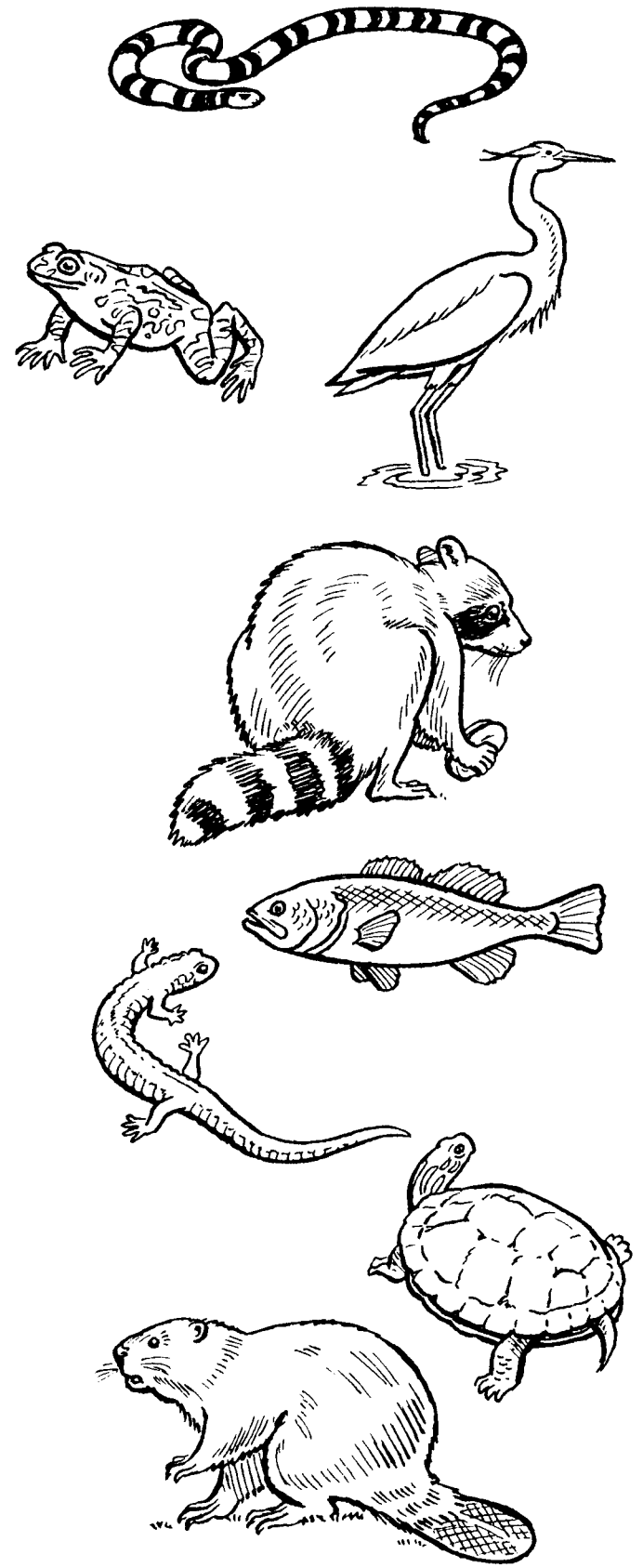
shif _____

urtlet _____

veraeb _____

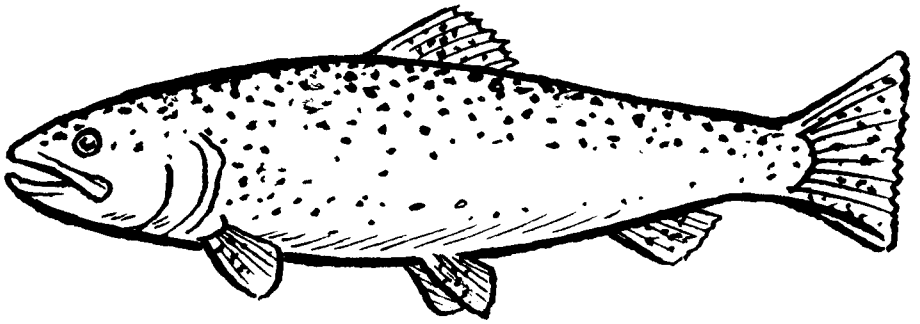
kesna _____

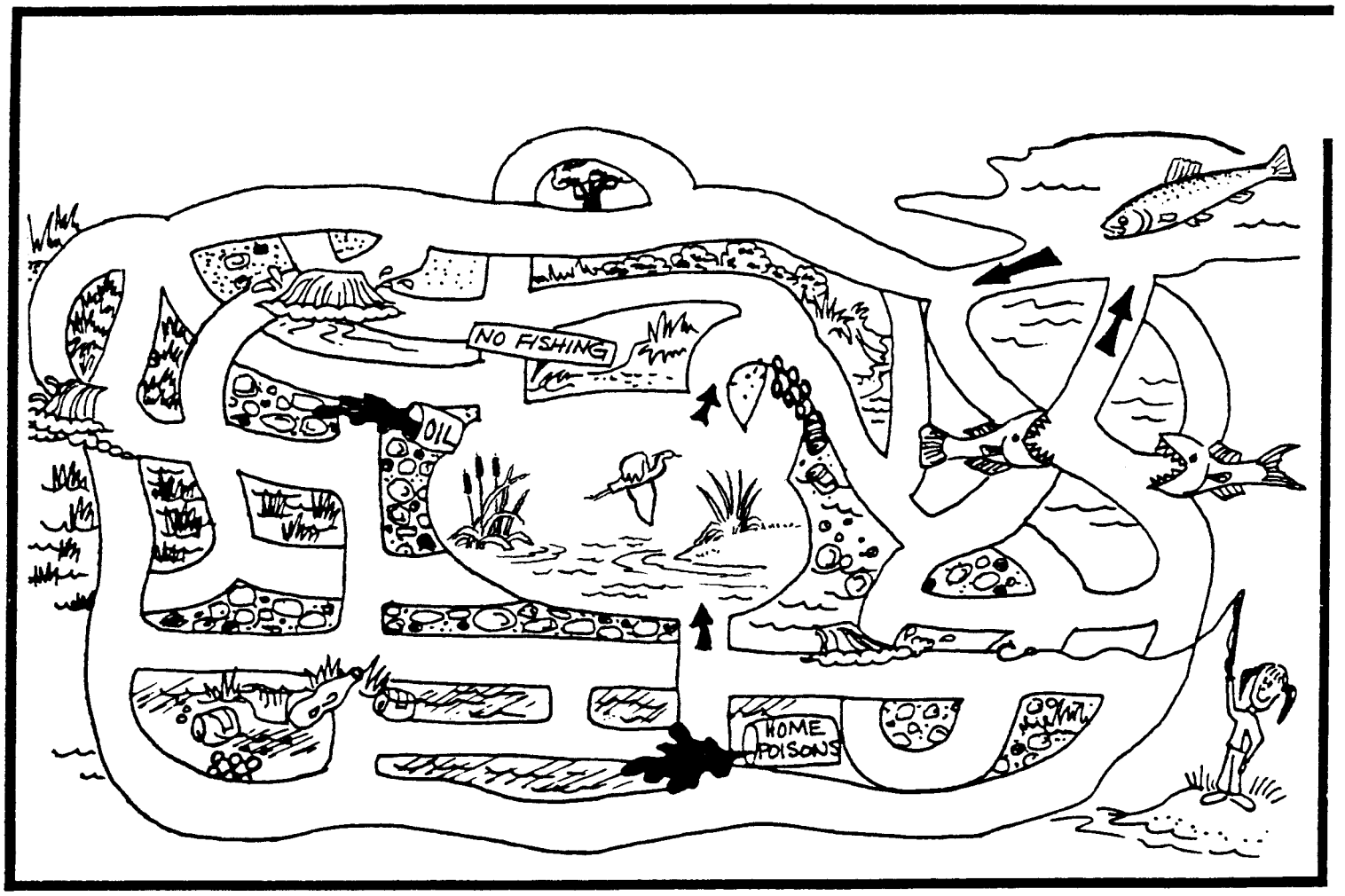
mansalader _____

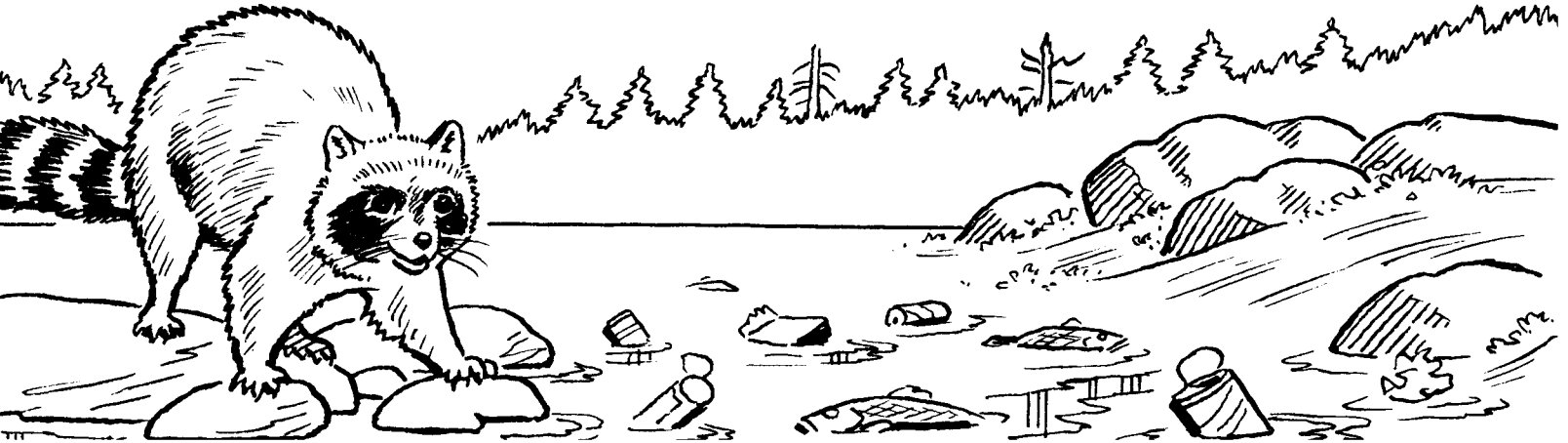


Answers:
raccoon, heron, bullfrog, fish, turtle, beaver, snake, salamander

Trout need clean, clear water to survive. This makes them a good indicator of pollution. You won't find trout in water that is polluted. Can you help the trout find his way up the stream to the clean water?



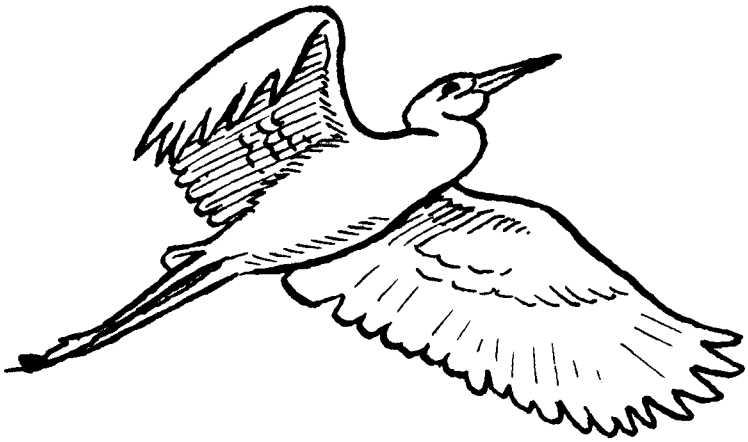




All of the wildlife listed below live in wetlands. How many of the words listed below can you find? Some of the words are written from left to right, others go up and down.

ORCHID DEER DRAGONFLY FISH SQUIRREL DUCK

FROG BEAVER GOOSE TROUT BEAR EAGLE



F I S H G T I O U P T D D O P T U V I E A G L E W E K
R O T U P Y L T R O U T E Q W M O N T R E N V O P T N
O D E R B R L T U V L B P Y T U R O D Q A F I S N T B
G W E G O O S E I M K E X R C V O E E M B D T Q T R E
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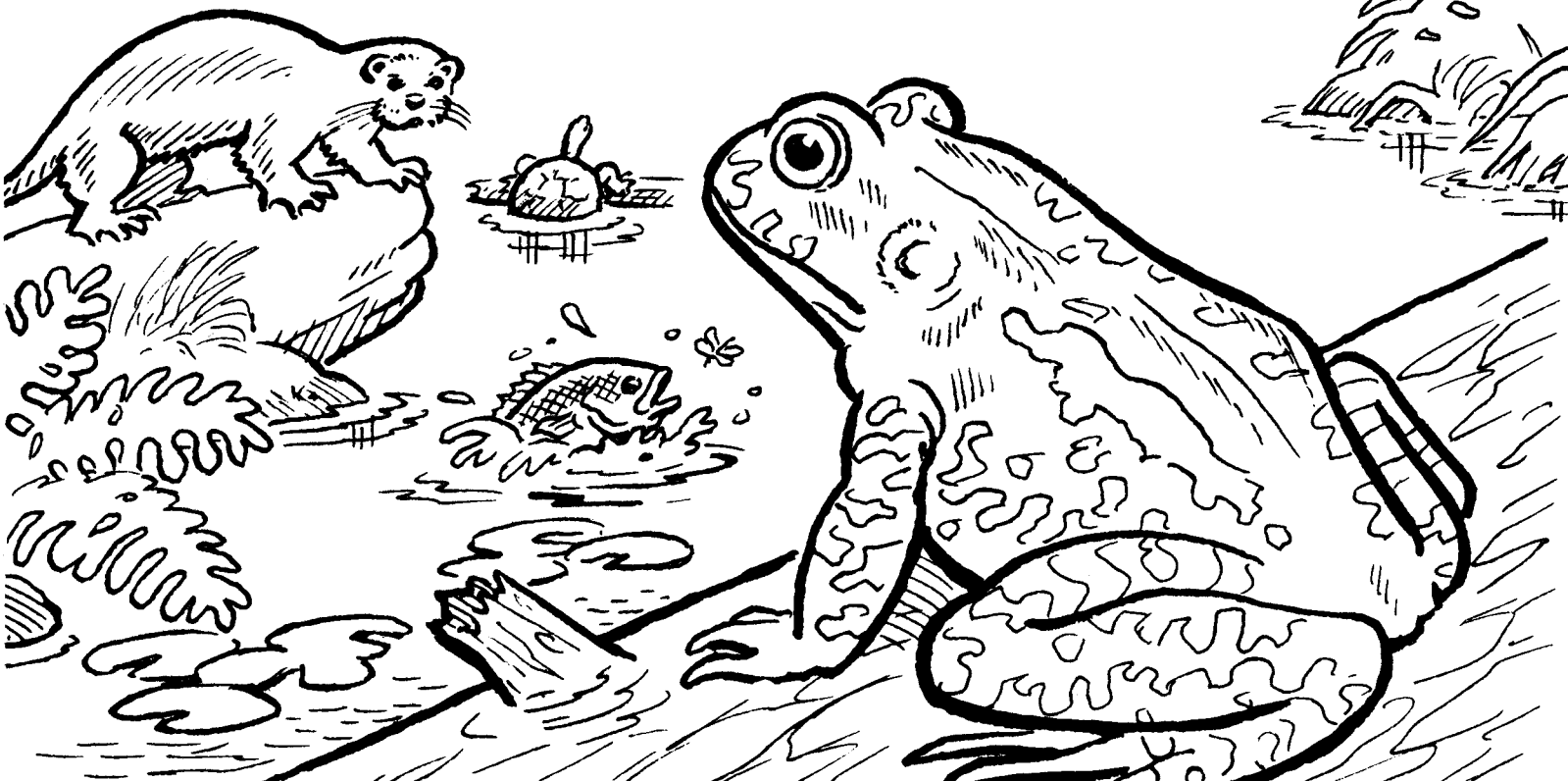


Many people enjoy watching birds. The easiest way to attract them to your yard is to put up a bird feeder.

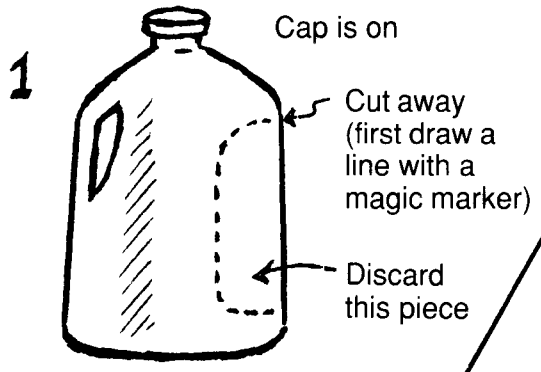
You can begin feeding birds any time of the year. But remember, if you begin feeding birds in the winter, they may come to depend on you for food so keep your feeder full during this time.

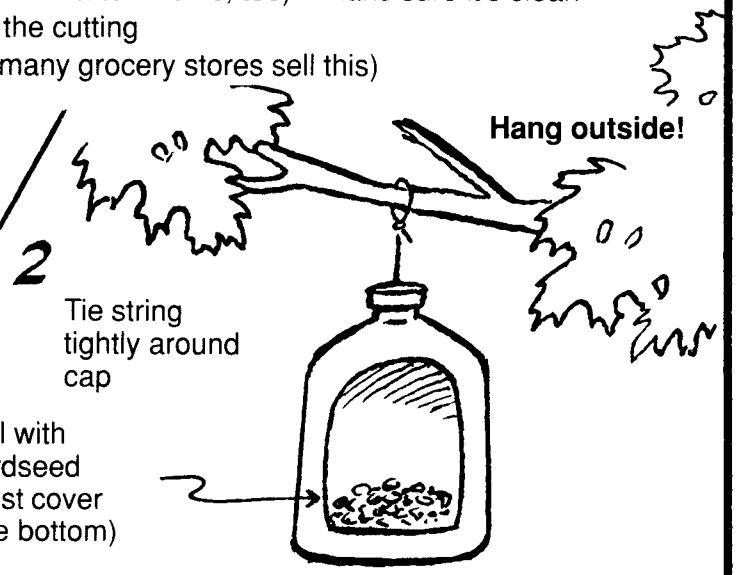
Building a bird feeder is easy and fun! Hang your bird feeder near a window and enjoy watching your new found friends!

Jug Feeder

You will need:

- an empty plastic milk jug, with the cap (a cardboard milk carton works, too)—make sure it's clean
- a good pair of scissors, and an **adult** to help you do the cutting
- a bag of raw sunflower seeds or any wild bird seed (many grocery stores sell this)
- string



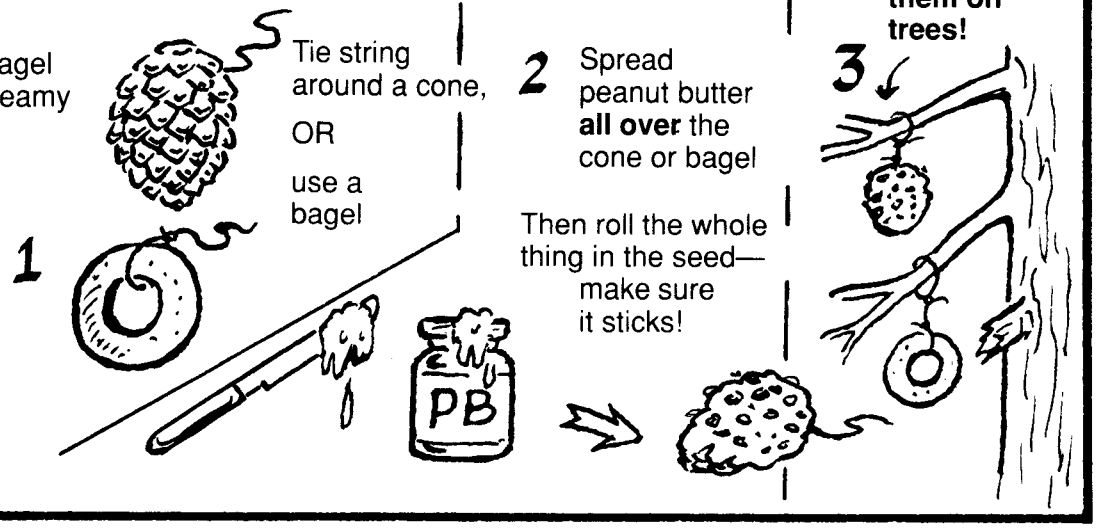


Peanut Butter Treats

You will need:

- a pine cone or a stale bagel
- a jar of peanut butter, creamy or chunky style
- a butter knife
- string
- bird seed, as above

(Squirrels love these, too!)



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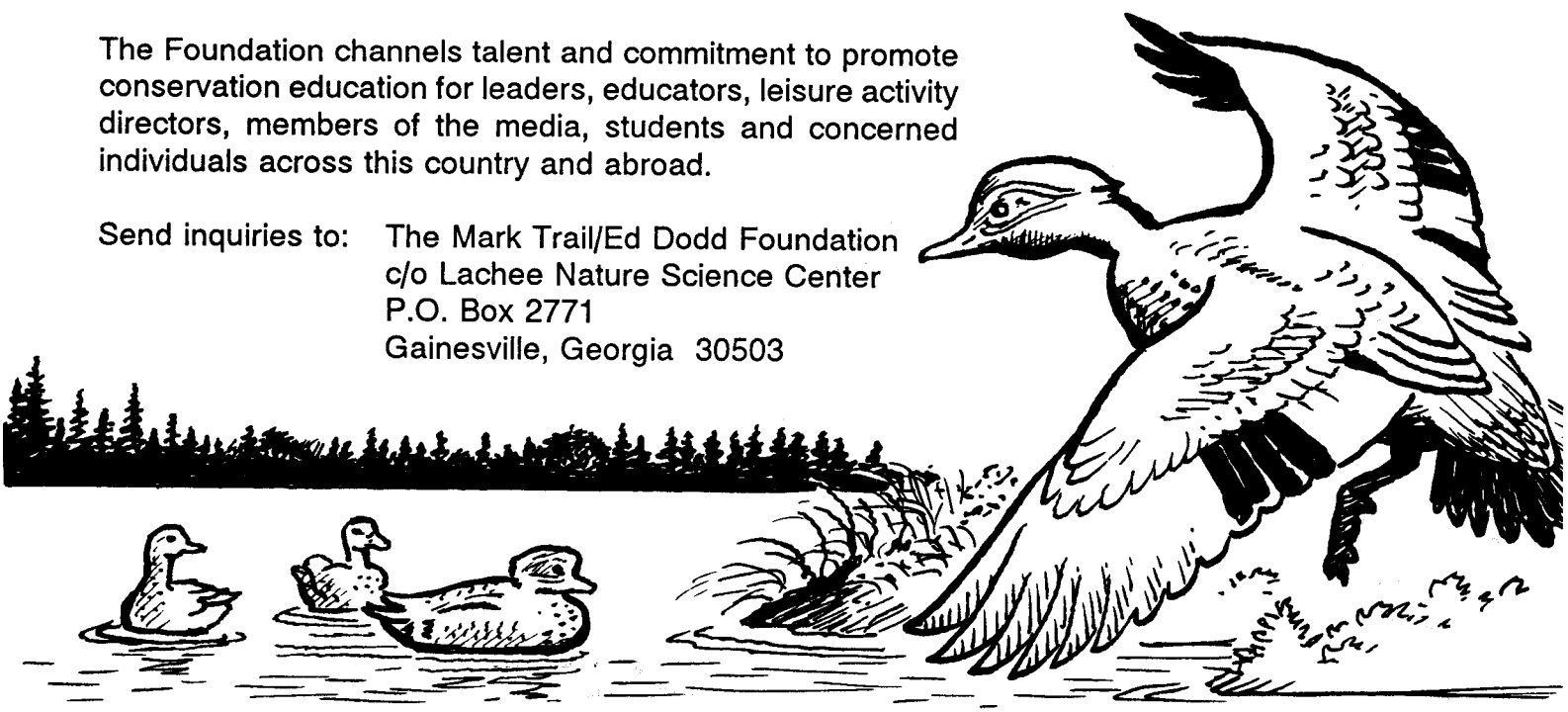

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