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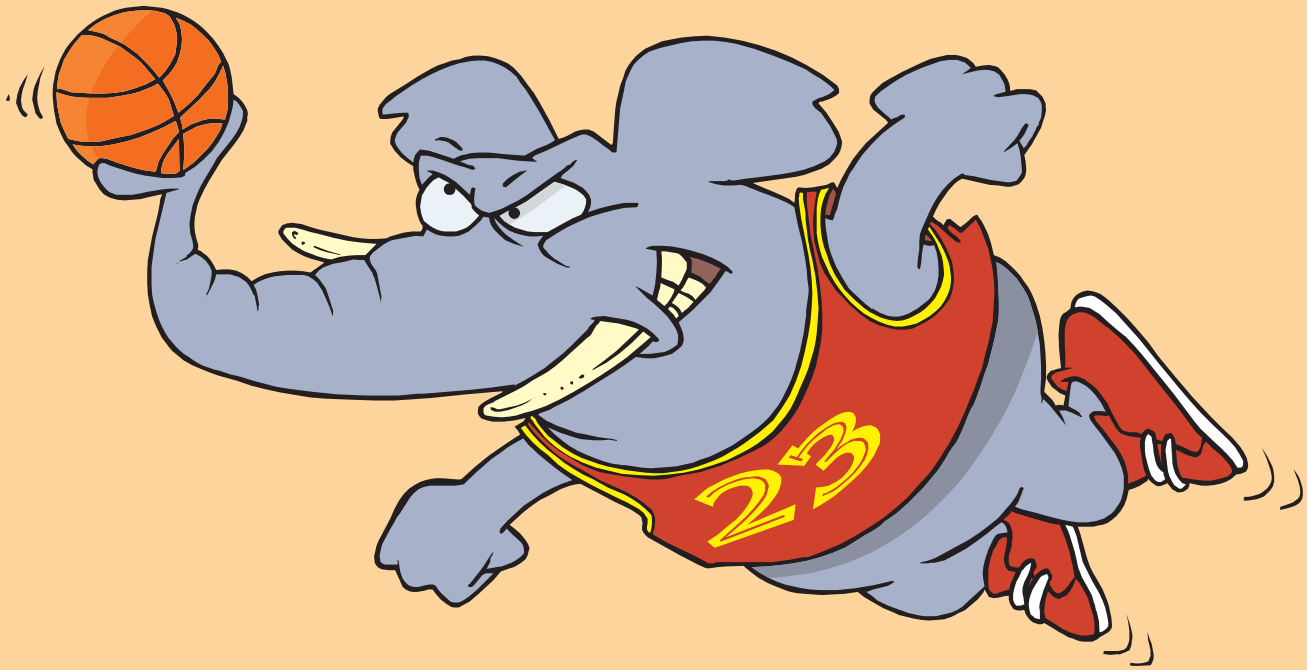

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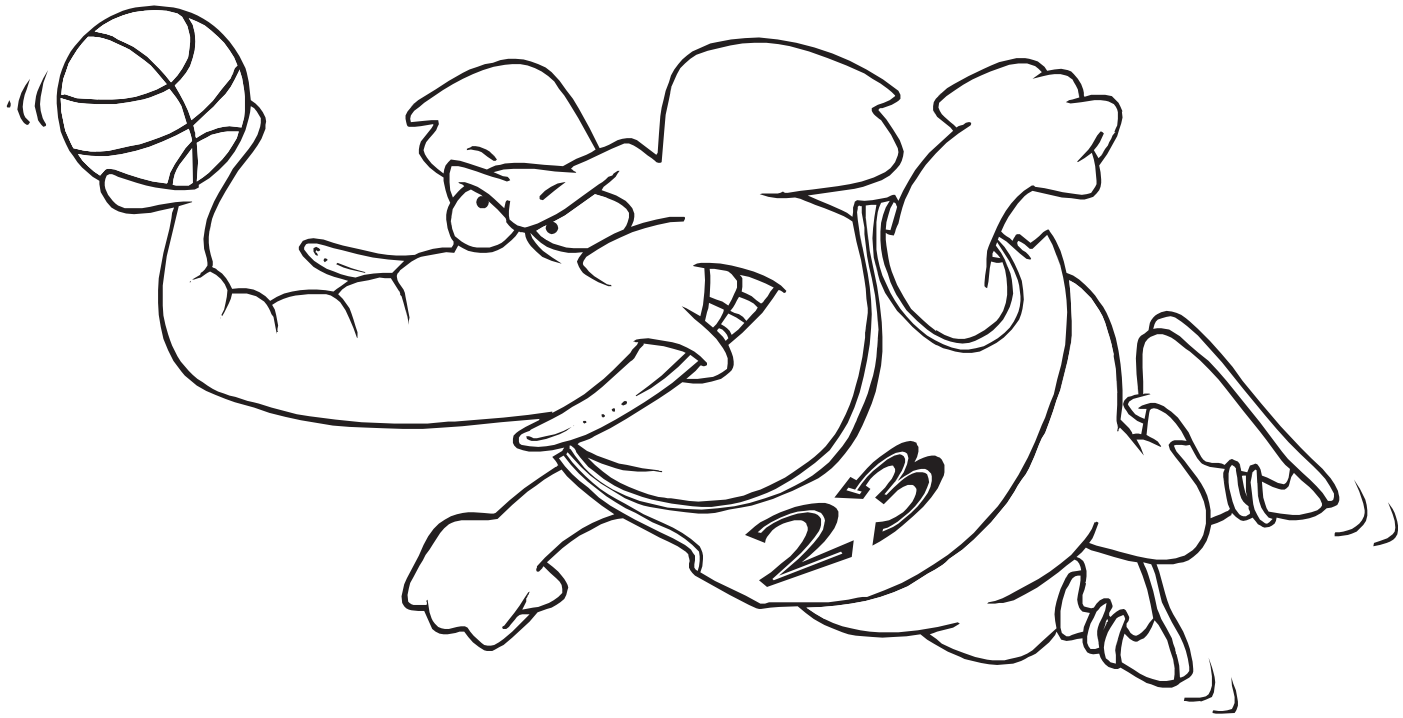

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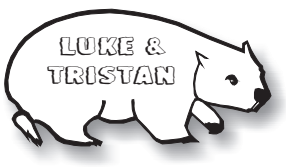

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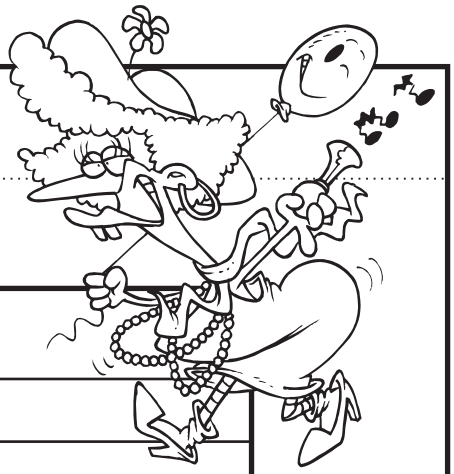

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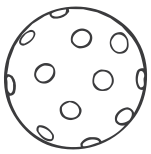

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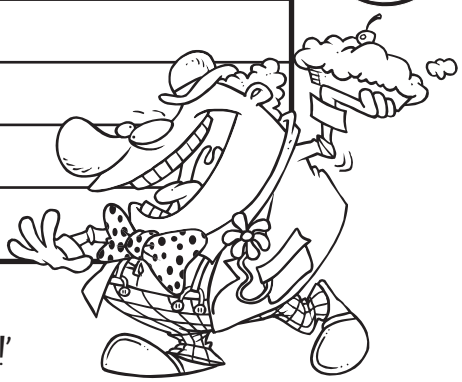

- Write a story about a clown who turns evil.
- Newspaper story: 'Clown returns escaped animals to circus!'
- Research a famous clown and record facts and pictures into a project poster.
- The clumsiest clown ever comes to stay at your place. Write about his misadventures.
- You get a part time job as a clown doing children's parties. Write about your experiences.

CLOWNS

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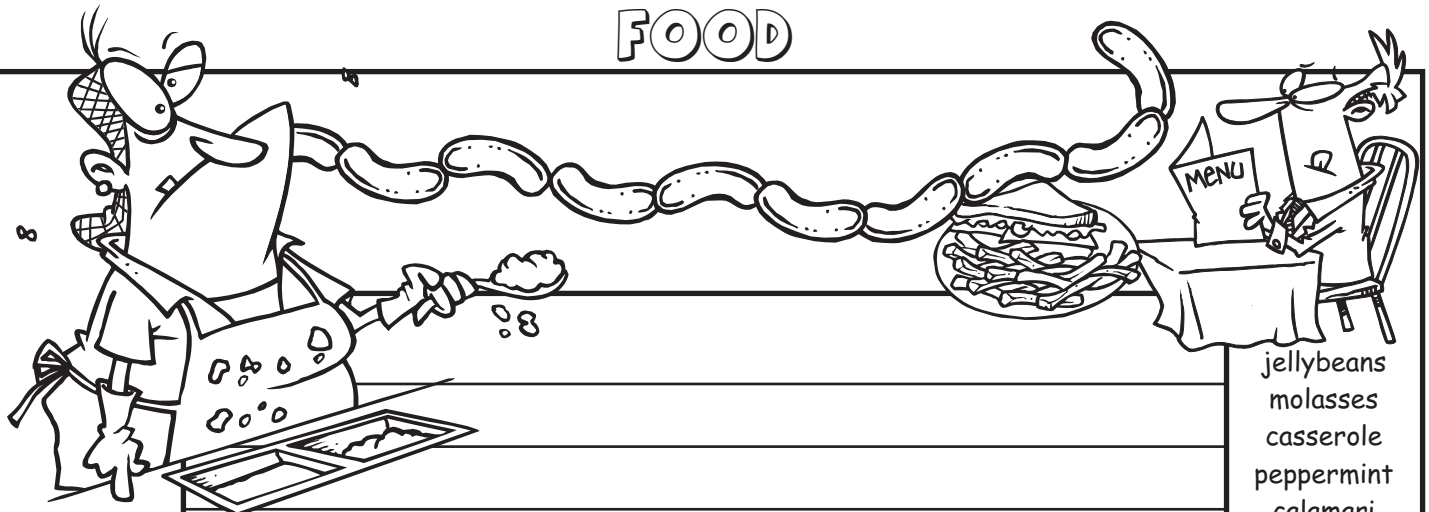

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sausages
rice
coconut
roll
toffee
salad
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sandwich
cereal
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casserole
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edam
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pie
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jam
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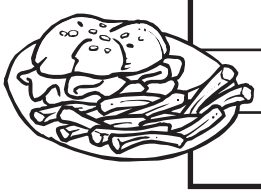

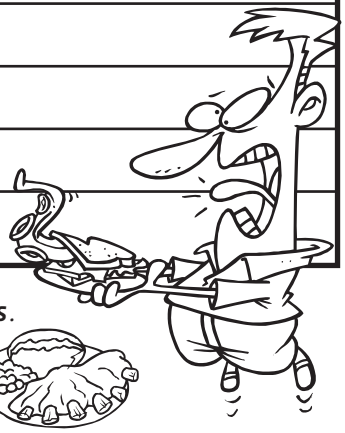

- Do some research to find the benefits of eating vegetables.
- Make a poster advertising your ultimate restaurant.
- Collect some recipes and make a mini-cookbook.
- Write about the chief of a lost tribe, who wants to stop his people being cannibals.
- Invent some really terrible foods for a monster cookbook e.g. live worms on toast etc.

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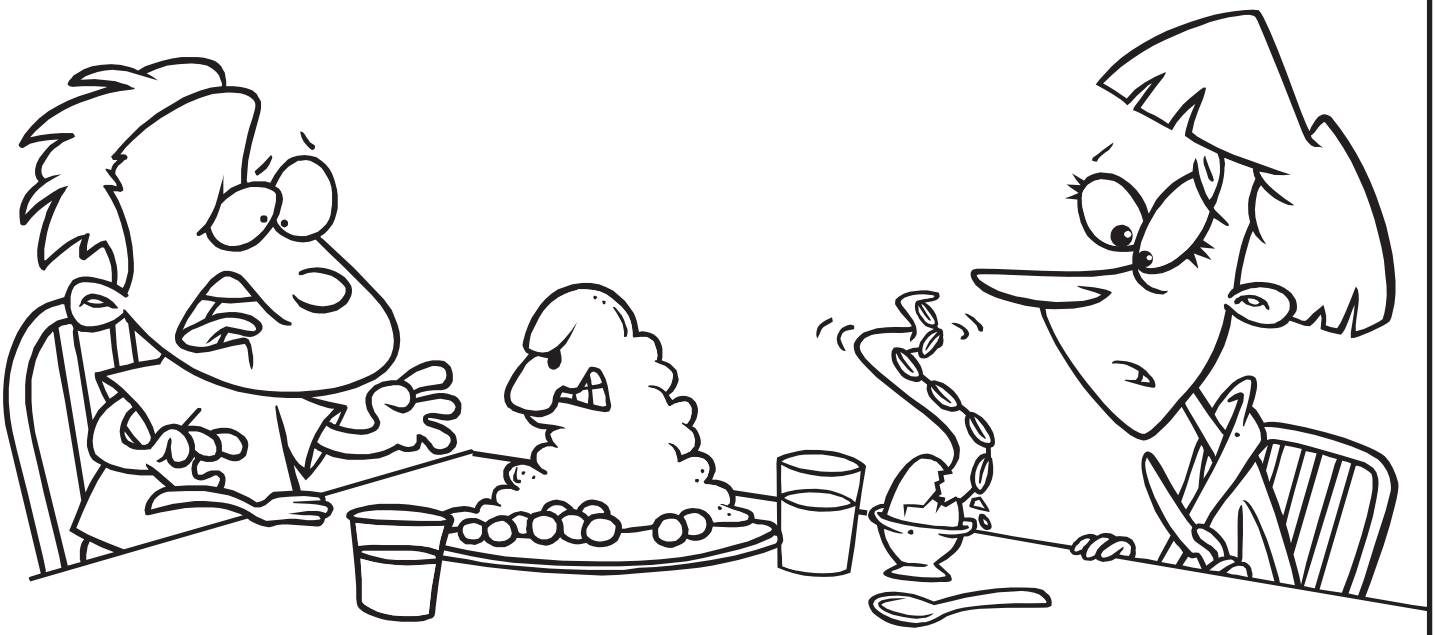

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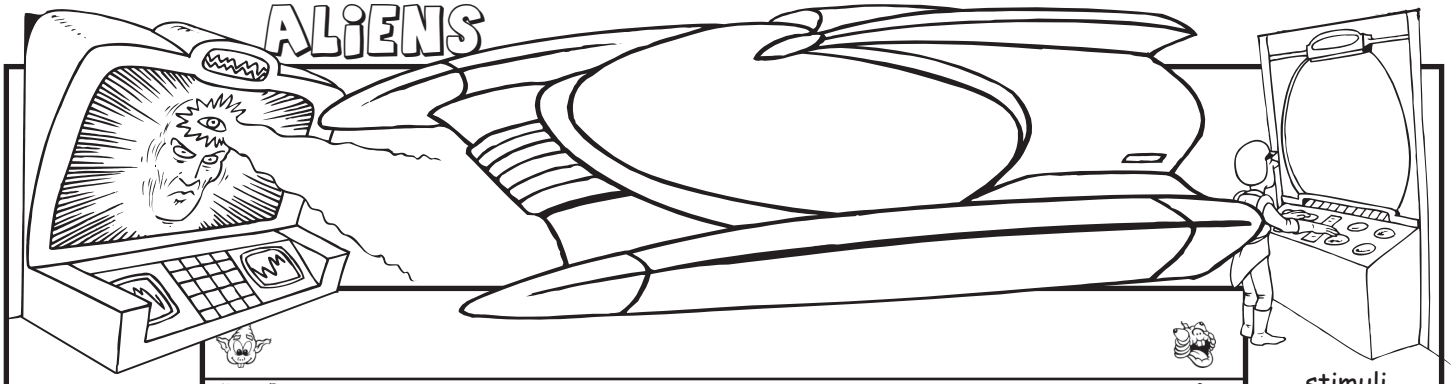

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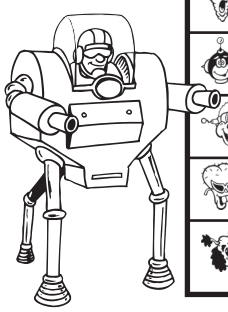
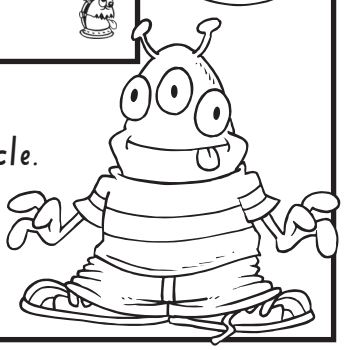


- You discover that your teacher for the past year ... is an alien!
- Earth receives a message from intelligent life. Write a newspaper article.
- Describe a trip to another planet and the alien life forms you meet.
- Write a poem about the darkness of space.
- You get abducted by aliens on the way to school.



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PLANTS

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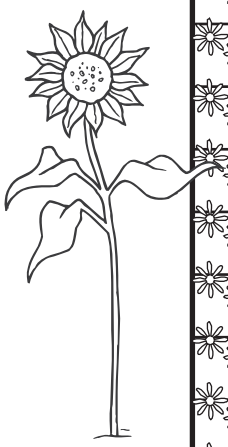
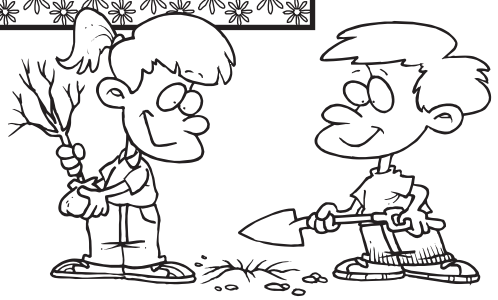


- Your new seedlings grow totally out of control.
- Write an acrostic poem from the word FLOWERS.
- Your green thumb spreads over your entire body.
- Write some facts about genetically modified foods.
- A monster plant escapes from the lab.



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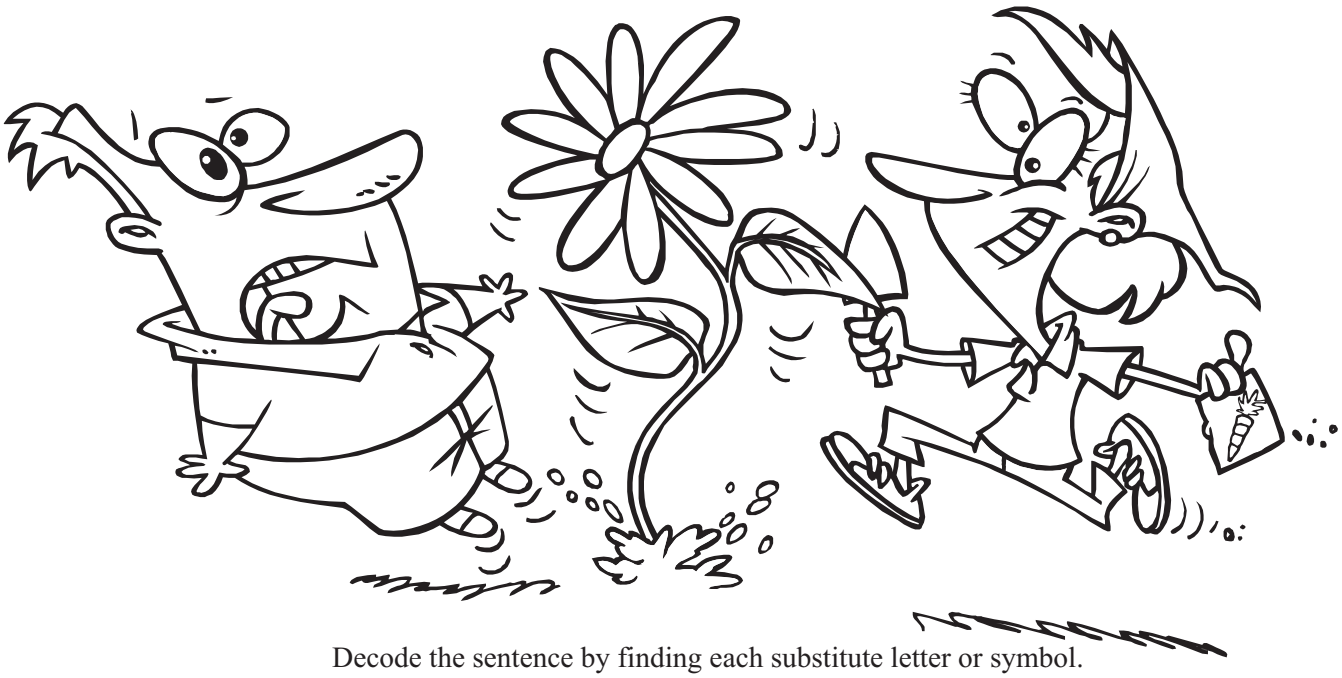

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DRAGONS

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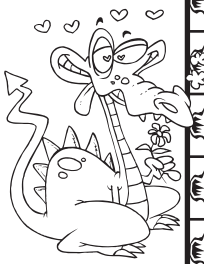

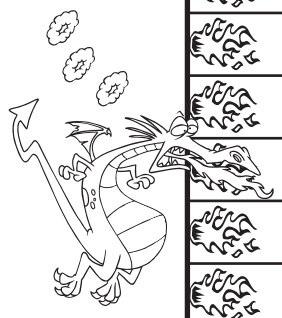

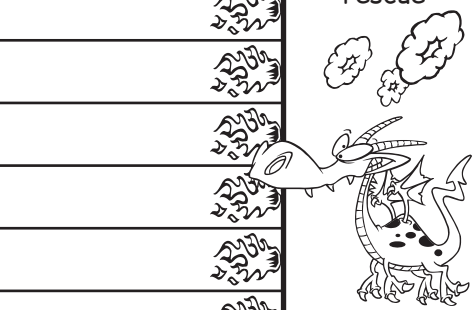

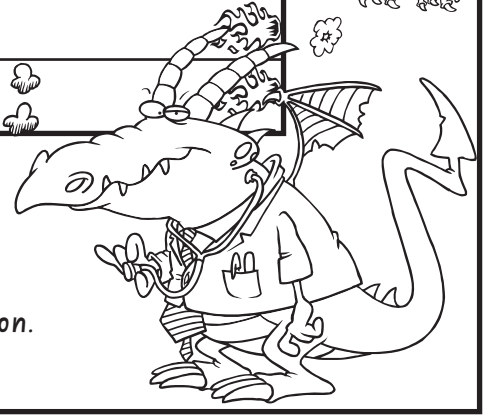

- You find a dragon's nest and hatch the eggs.
- Write a fairytale about a princess, a knight and a dragon.
- You get turned into a dragon for a day.
- List the advantages and disadvantages of owning a pet dragon.
- Write about a sick dragon with flame problems.

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DRAGONS

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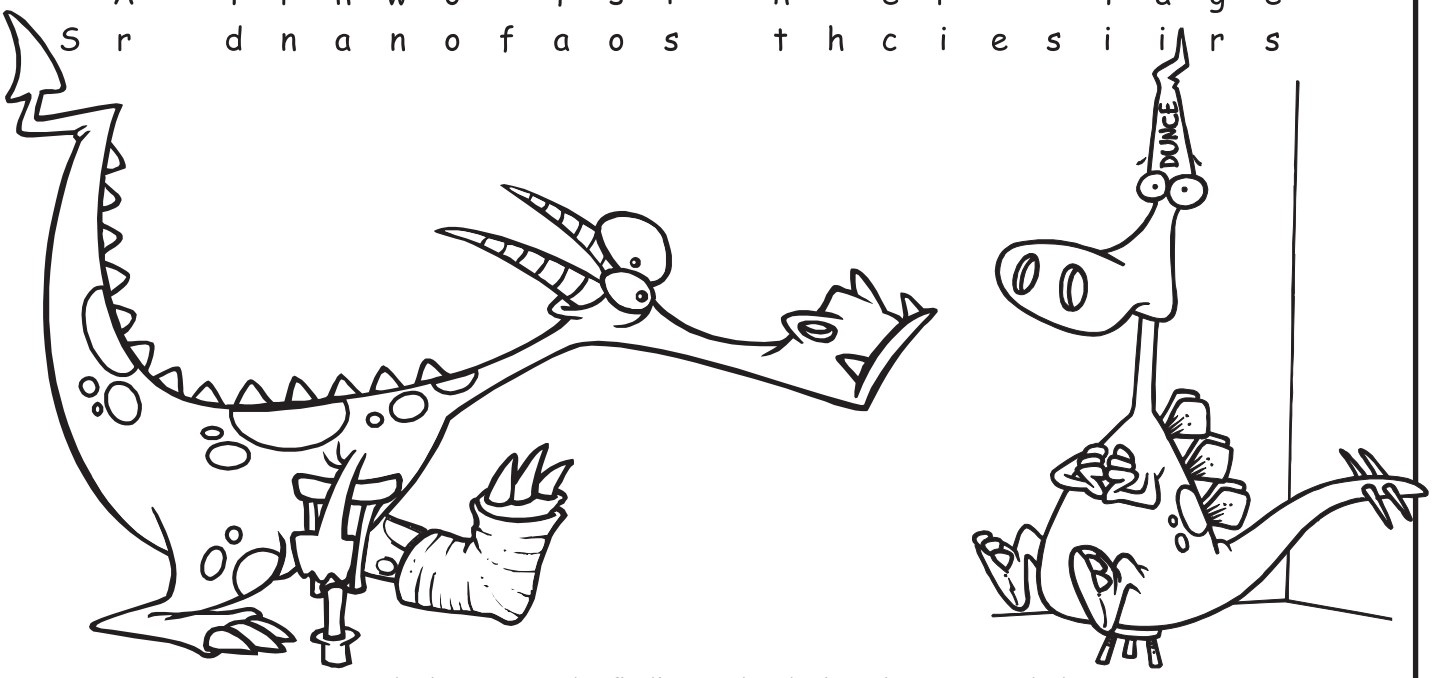

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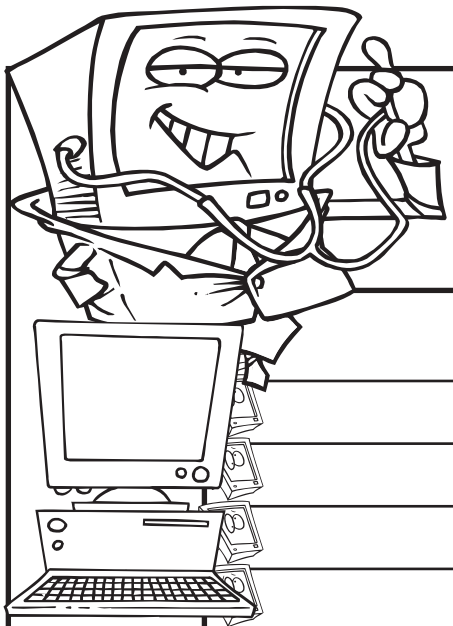

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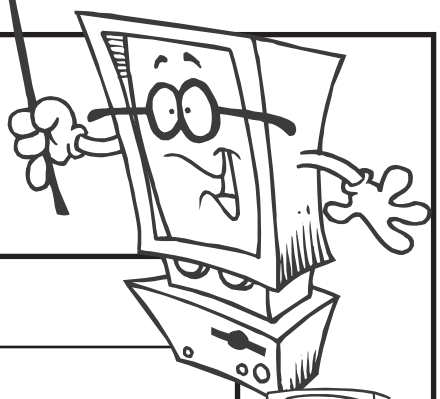

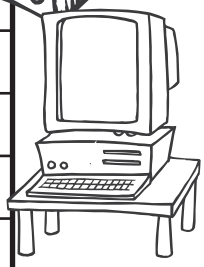

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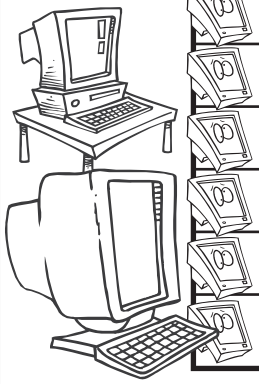

- You find you can climb through the monitor and walk around the world wide web.
- A classroom computer scares the teacher when it develops a mind of it's own.
- How will computers be in the future? What new abilities will they have?
- Write an acrostic poem using the word: COMPUTERS.
- List some excellent and annoying things about computers.

COMPUTERS

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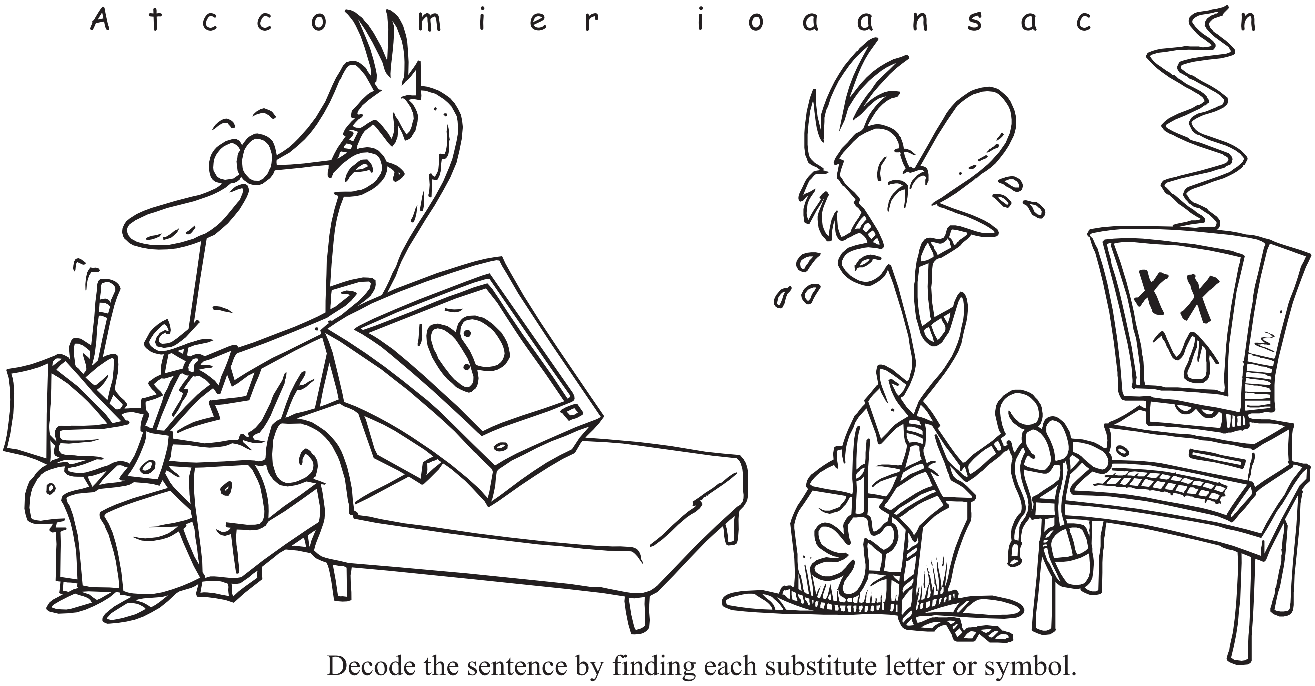

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BIRTHDAYS

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strawberry
vanilla

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celebrate
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cake
happy
annual
guests
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candles
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- You organise a surprise party that goes very wrong.
- You get the best birthday present ever.
- Write an acrostic poem using the word: BIRTHDAY.
- List 20 unusual ways to celebrate your birthday.
- Your teacher turns 100 years old. Write about the day at school.

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BIRTHDAYS

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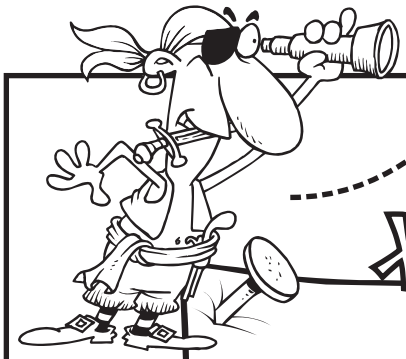

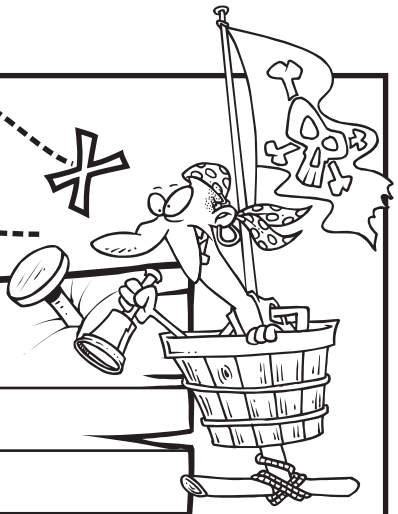

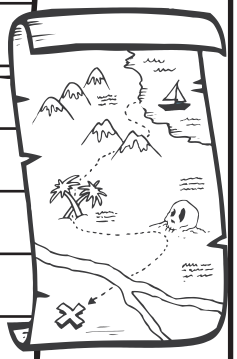

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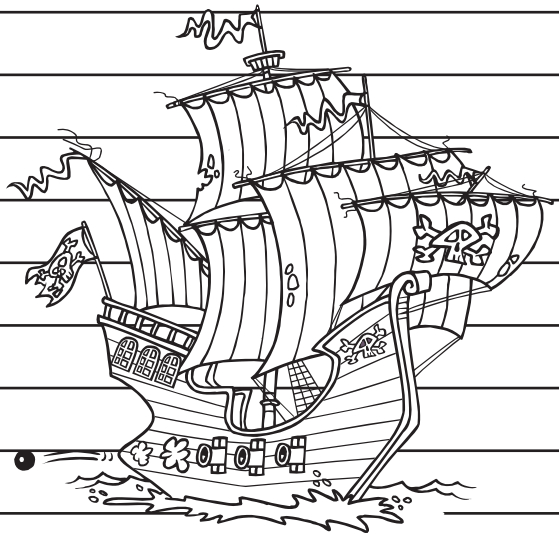

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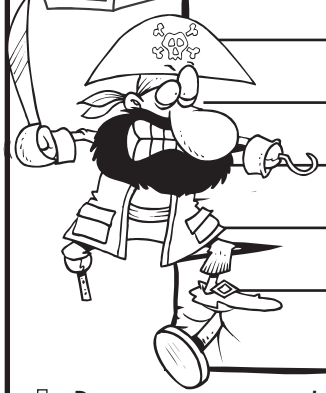

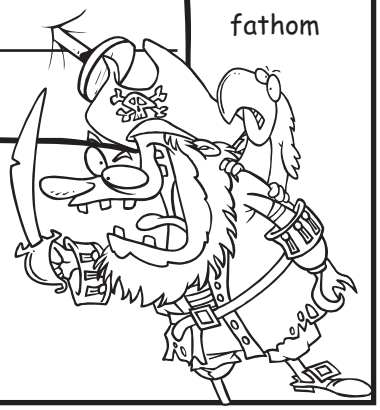

- Draw your own treasure map.
- You get marooned on a desert island. Write a diary.
- Write some pirate songs and rhymes.
- Write about a pirate who secretly wants to be a hairdresser.
- Tell the story of a pirate's long search for buried treasure.

PIRATES

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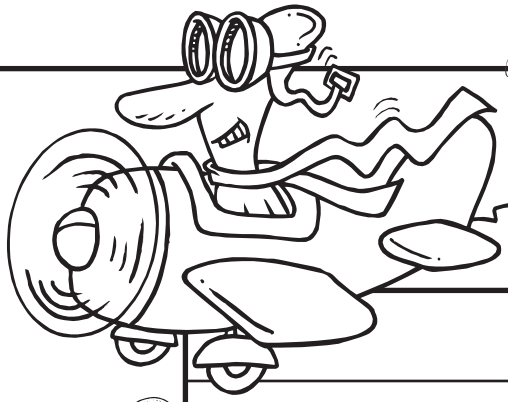

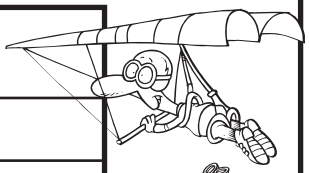

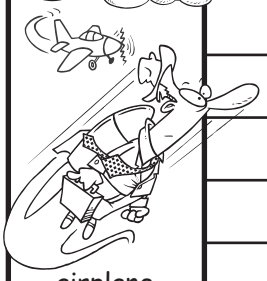

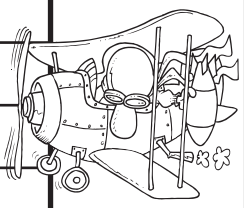

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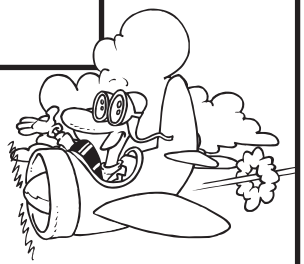

- Newspaper Headline: AIR DISASTER – One Survivor. Write the article.
- Write a poem about the feeling of flight.
- A small plane is forced to land in your playground. What's the story?
- Research some important aviation events and people. Make a timeline.
- Your class goes on an excursion to an airport. One student gets into serious trouble.

AIRCRAFT

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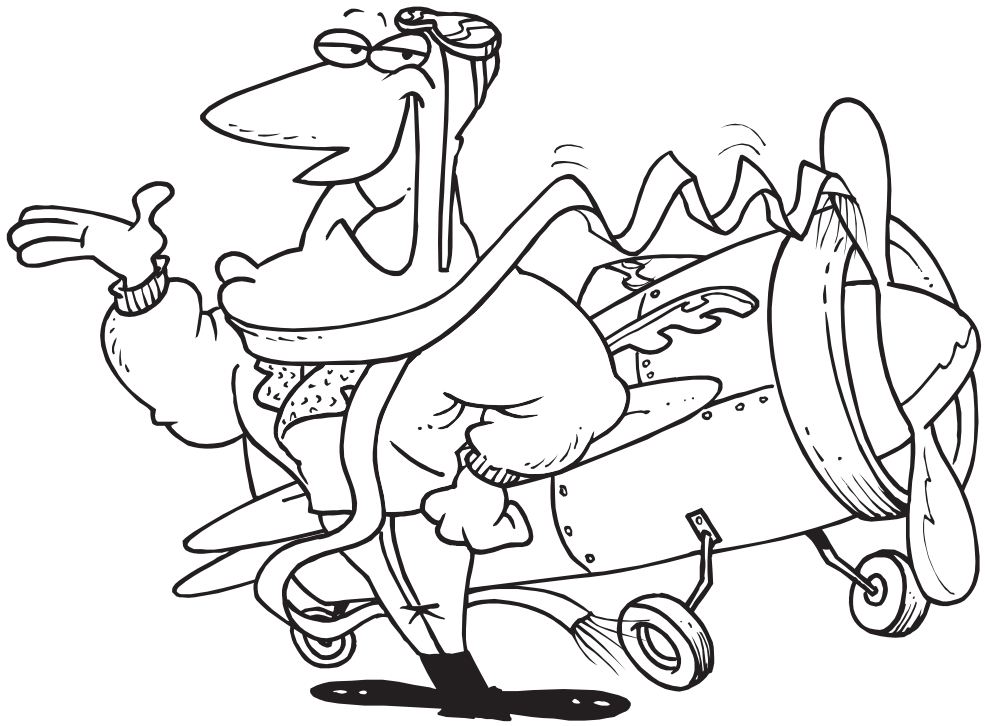

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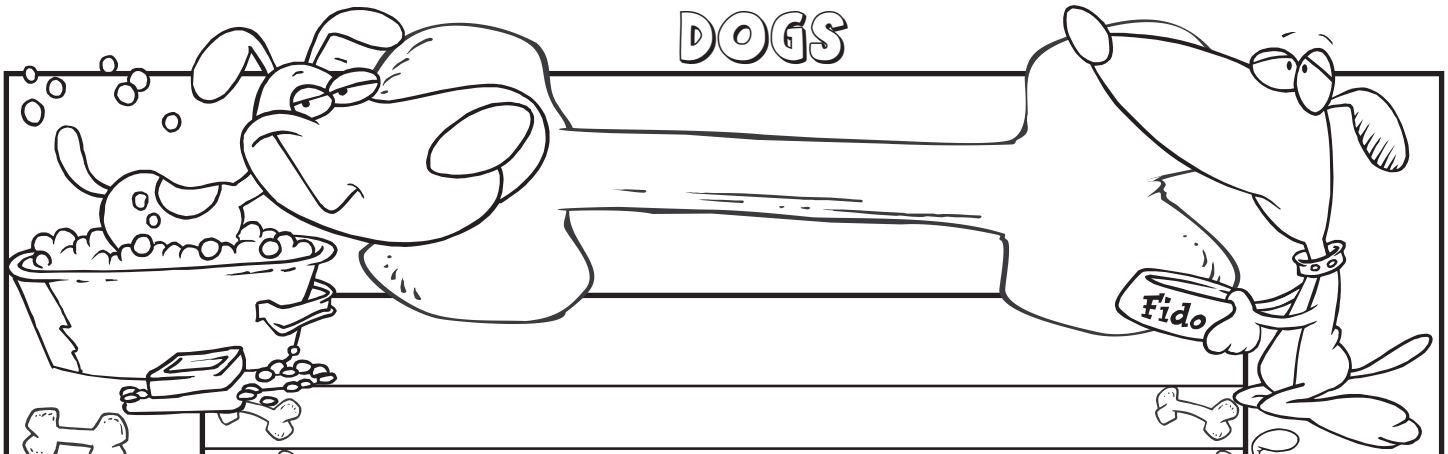

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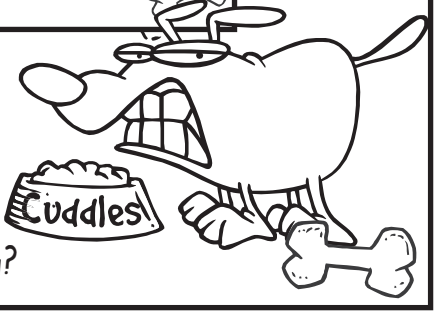

- You bring your dog to school for Pet Day. It's a total disaster!
- Write a story about a lost puppy.
- You discover your dog can talk and all he does is complain.
- You get into a terrible jam and a dog saves your life.
- Research some different breeds of dogs. Which do you like? Why?

DOGS

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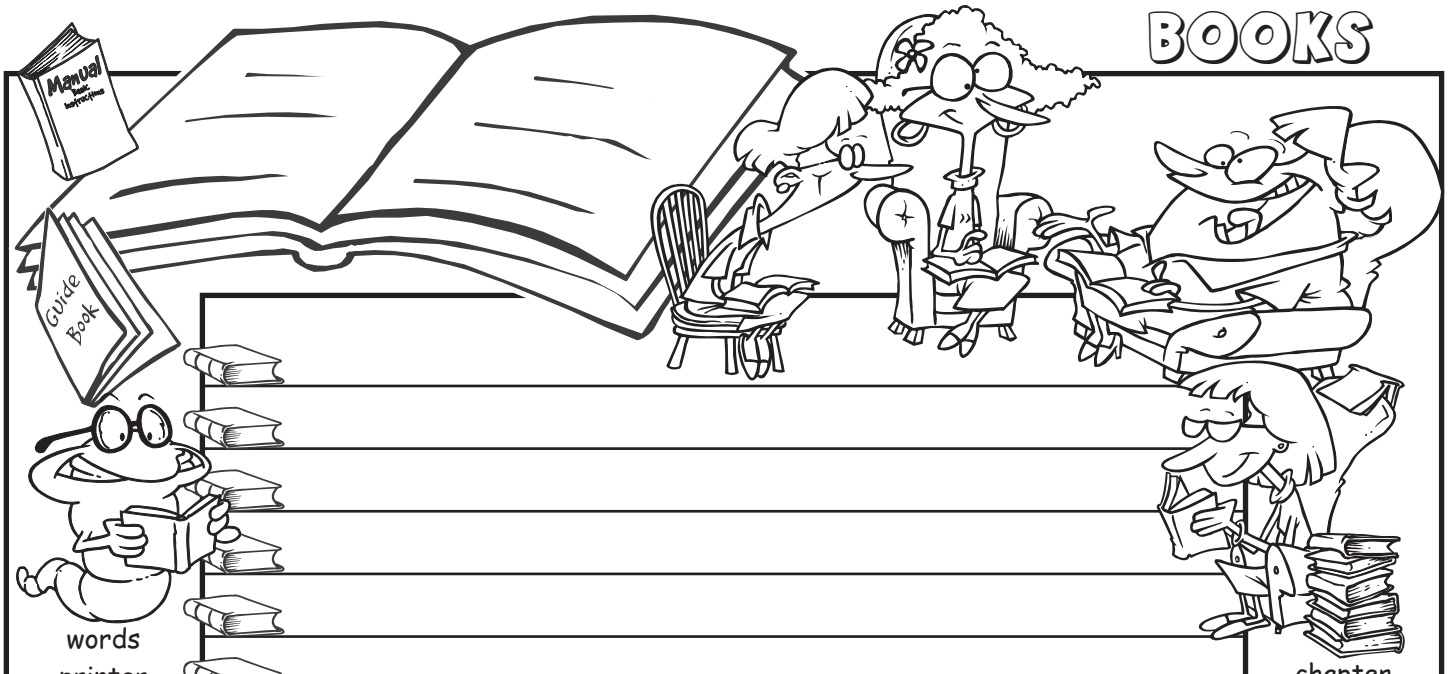
BOOKS



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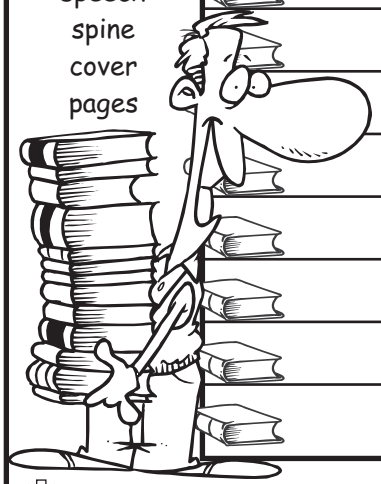

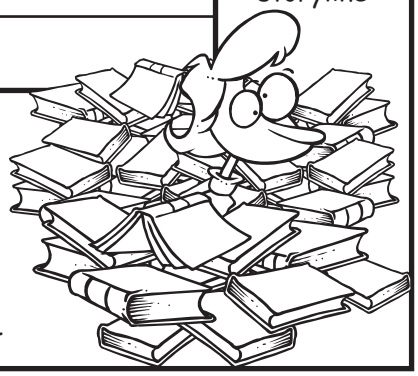

- You discover a strange book from the future. Describe it.
- Find a story that you like and change the ending.
- Make some lists: top 5 books, worst books, biggest, smallest etc.
- Write a review of your favourite book. Create a new cover for it.
- Everybody who reads this book disappears. You solve the mystery.

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BOOKS

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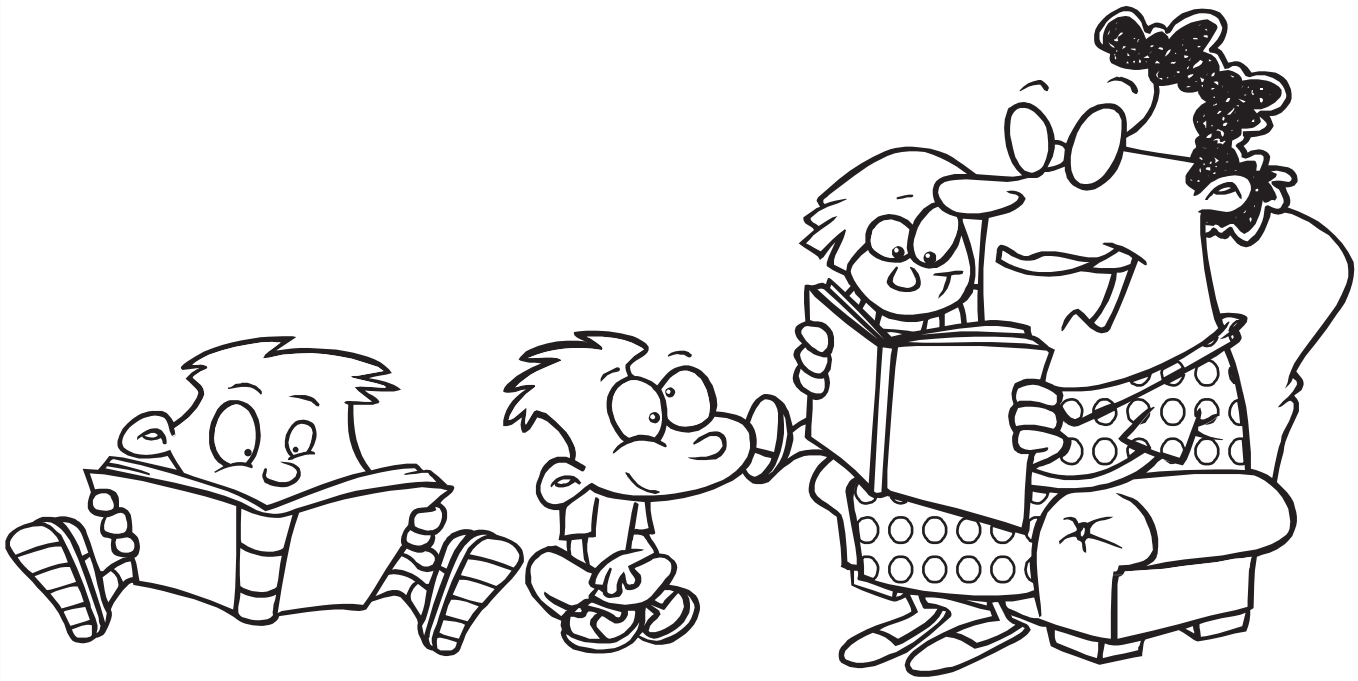

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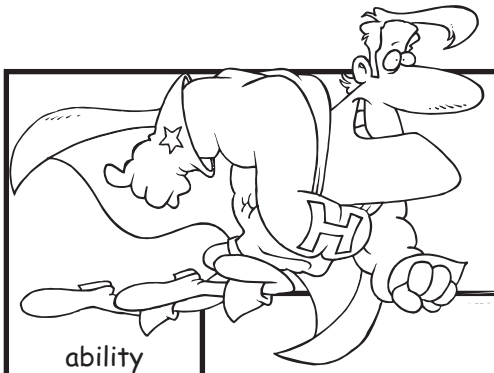

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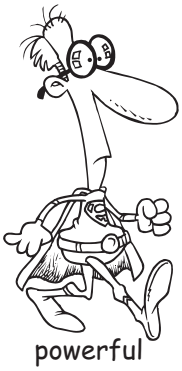

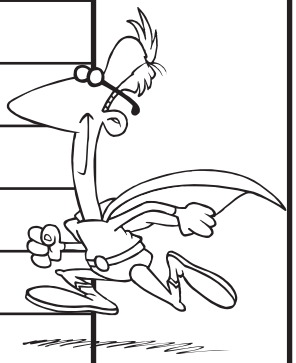

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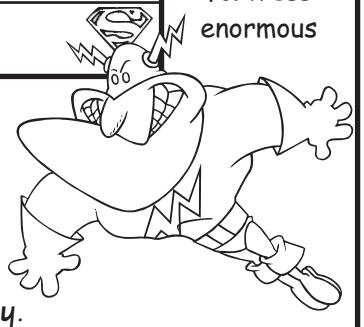

- Newspaper Headline: SUPERMAN REAL. Write the article.
- Write an acrostic poem using the word: SUPERHERO.
- A super hero gets sick and has to stay at your place for a while.
- Write a story titled: Superhero Blunders, the 10 worst!
- You are the new superhero. Give yourself an identity. Write your story.

SUPER HEROES

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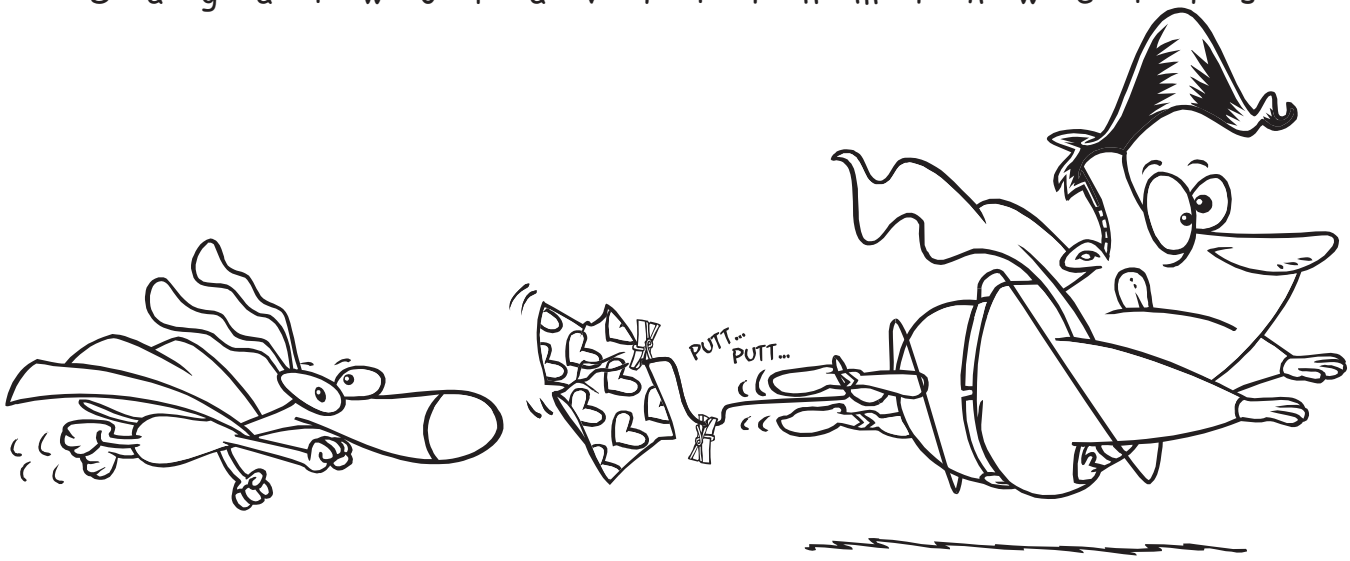

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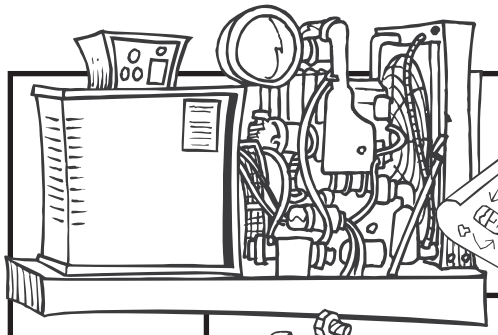

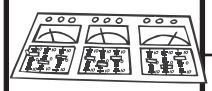

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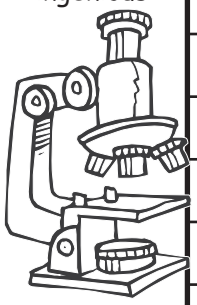

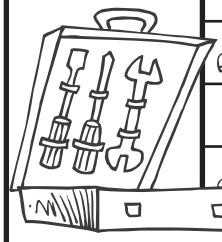

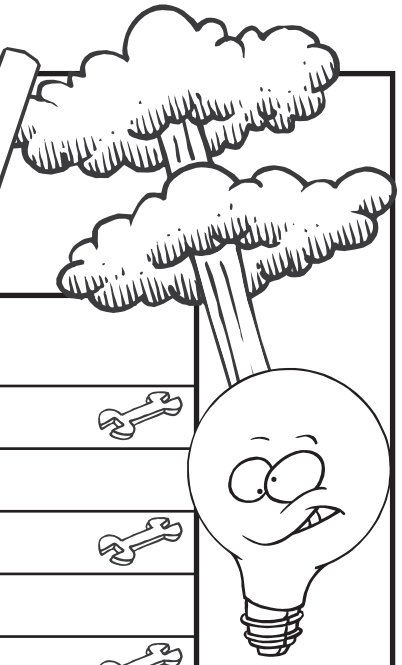

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- List some of the great inventions in history and how they have helped us.
- Draw the plans of your latest invention. Use lots of arrows and labels.
- Write about a mad scientist whose invention goes crazy.
- You invent the greatest thing ever. Keep a diary of your adventures.
- Write a journal for Dr Frankenstein.

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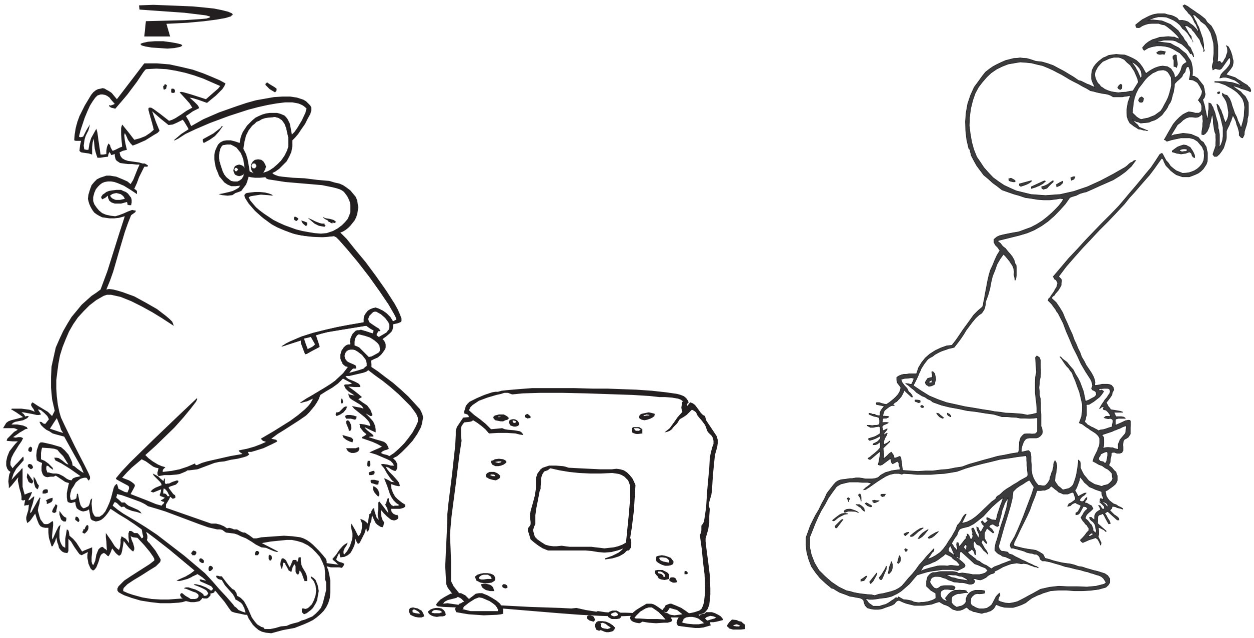

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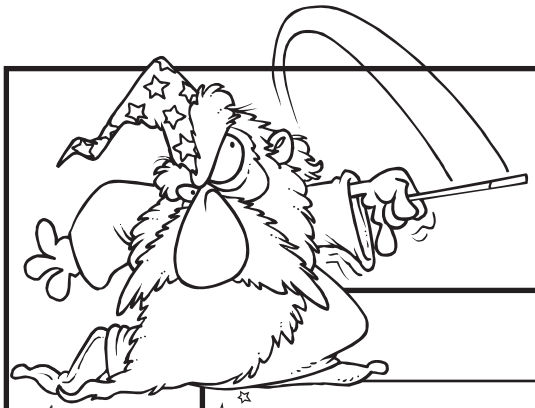

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- Write a story about a wizard who gets everything wrong.
- Write some recipes for spells: title, ingredients, method etc.
- Write a review of any Harry Potter novel or movie.
- Research Merlin the wizard. Did he really exist?
- You find some ancient spells. One works on your teacher.

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WIZARDS

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Decode the sentence by finding each substitute letter or symbol.

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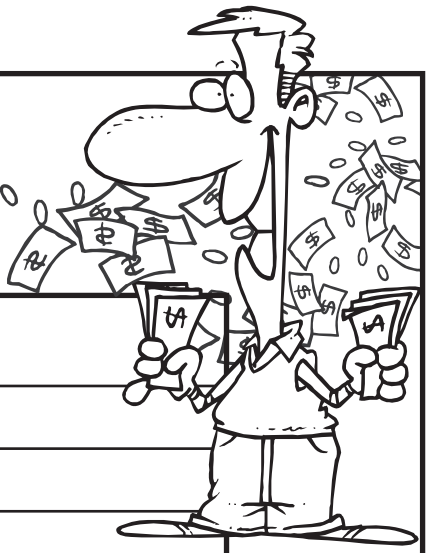

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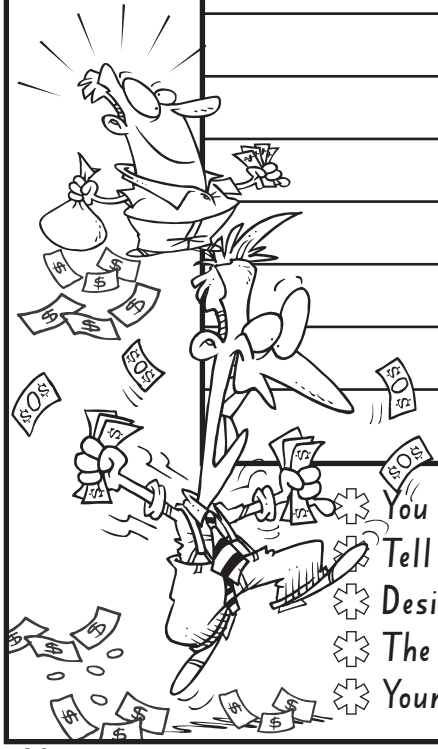

- You are very, very, very rich. How do you spend your wealth?
- Tell a story about how money doesn't make a person happy.
- Design some new banknotes for an imaginary country.
- The government decides to use peanuts for money. What happens?
- Your teacher wins the lottery. What do they do with the money?

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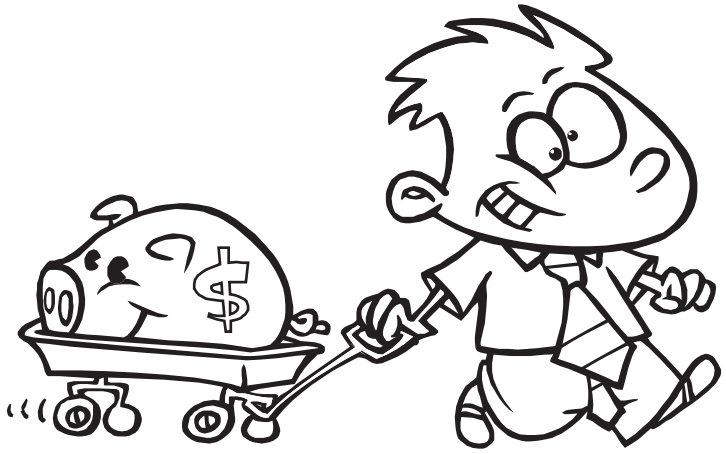

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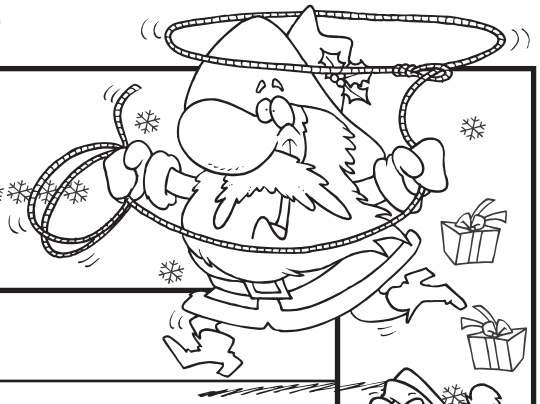

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suprise
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spending

Write about your best Christmas ever.
Write about your school excursion to the North Pole.
Santa joins Weight Watchers. Write his journal.
Research how Christmas is celebrated around the world.
Newspaper Headline: SANTA ARRESTED! Write the article.

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CHRISTMAS

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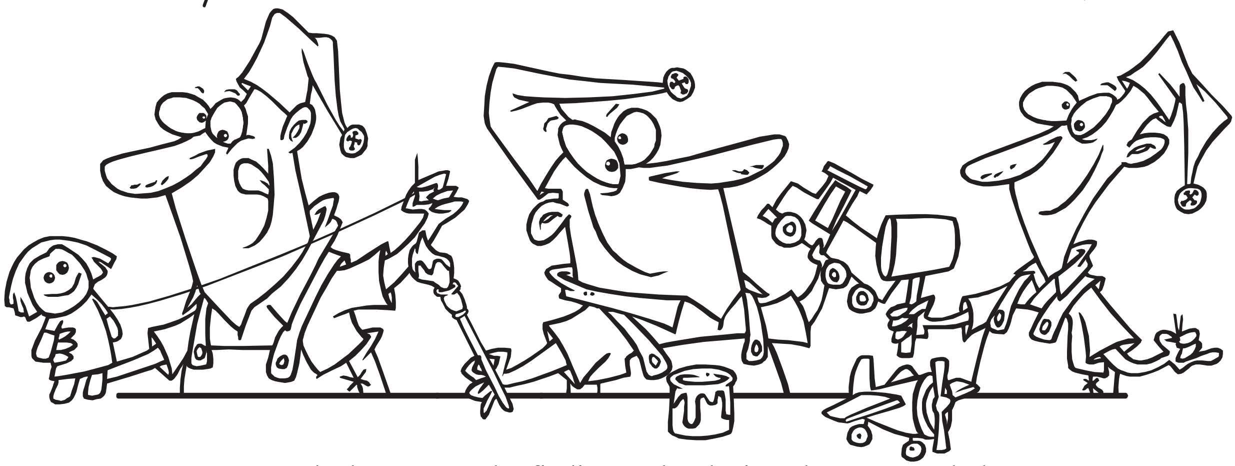

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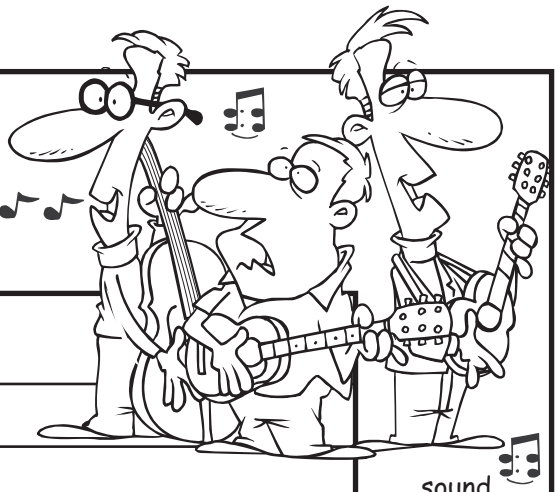

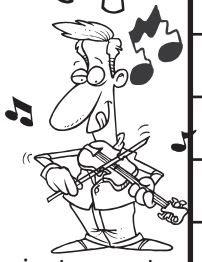

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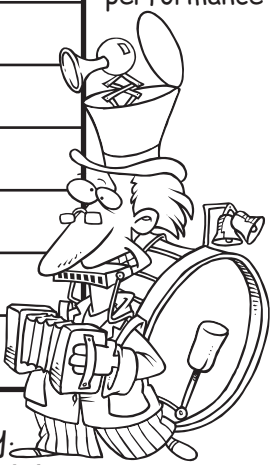

- Your pop group becomes famous. You are a celebrity. Keep a diary.
- Your teacher brings his bagpipes to school to practice more. What happens?
- Write an acrostic poem using the word: INSTRUMENTS.
- Write a story about a tune that saves a great disaster.
- You discover a mouse that can play the piano. Write about your adventures.

MUSIC

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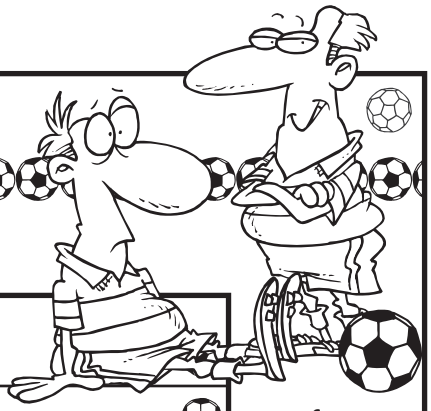

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dribbling
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- You let a goal through in the last minute of the final. How do you feel?
- Design a new uniform for a soccer team. Make it stand out.
- Write an article for a magazine about a really exciting soccer game.
- Make a list of the advantages of playing a team sport.
- Write about a soccer game in the jungle with animals on both sides.

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ELEPHANTS

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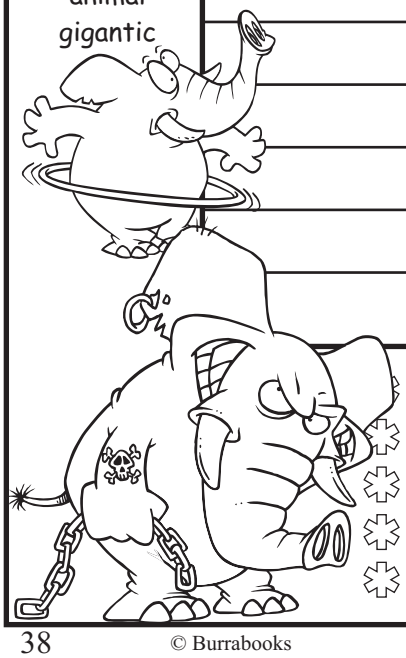

- An elephant escapes from the zoo and you find it in your backyard.
- You teach an elephant to ride a bike and join the circus. Keep a diary.
- Write about a sad elephant that wants to get back to the jungle.
- Write a legend to explain how the elephant got it's trunk.
- Your teacher's car got trampled by an elephant. How did this happen?

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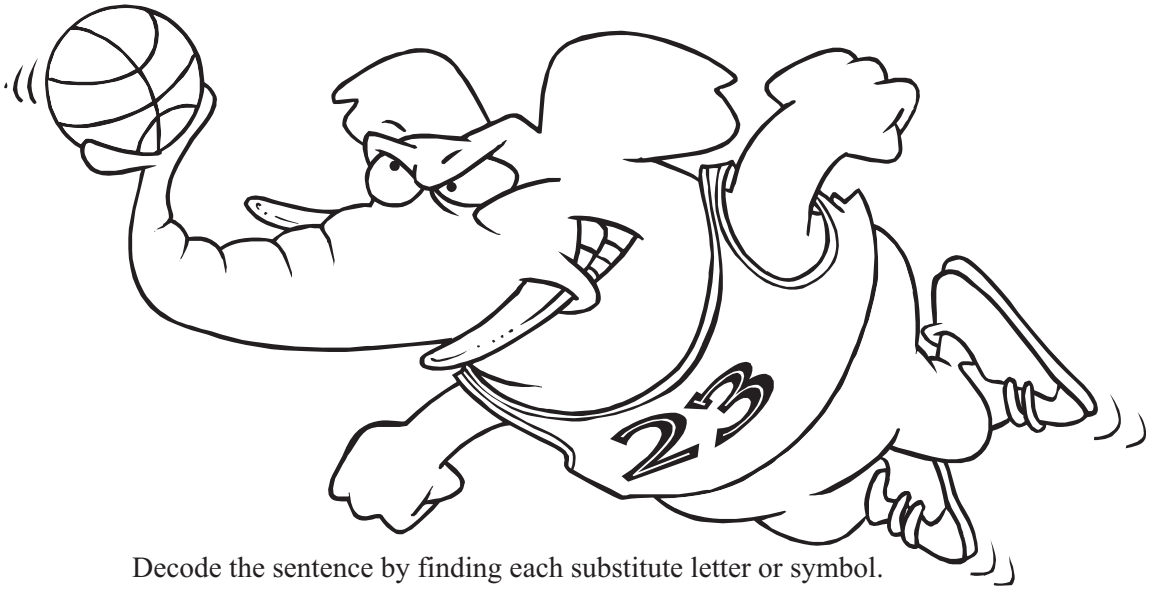

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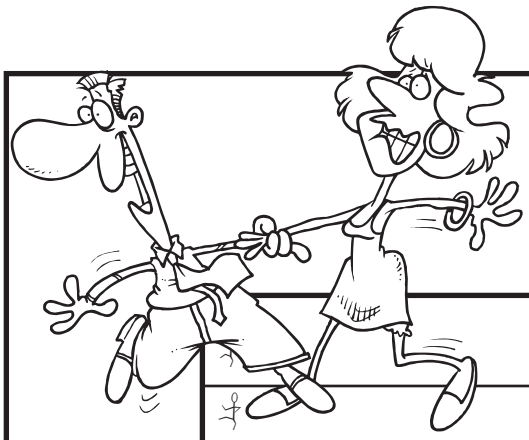

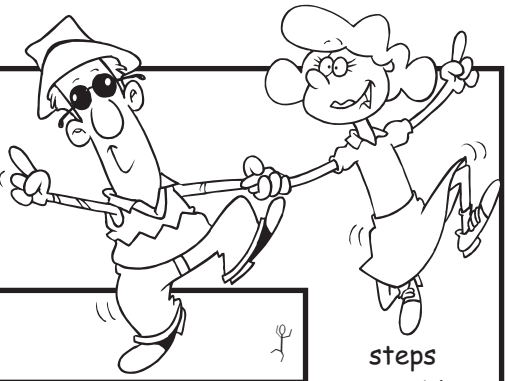

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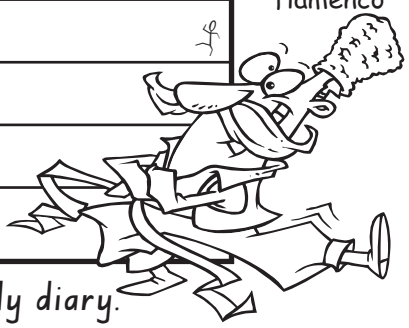

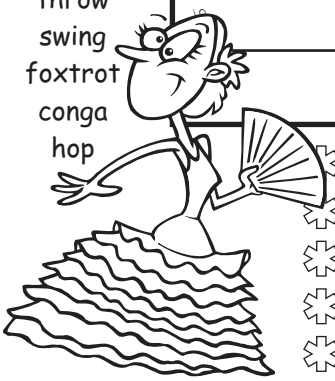

- You enter a dance marathon. Write an hourly diary.
- You dance to school to raise money for charity. Write about it.
- Write about a dance competition you wanted to lose.
- You teach your pet cat to dance. Write about your experiences.
- You are born with two left feet. Write about learning to dance.

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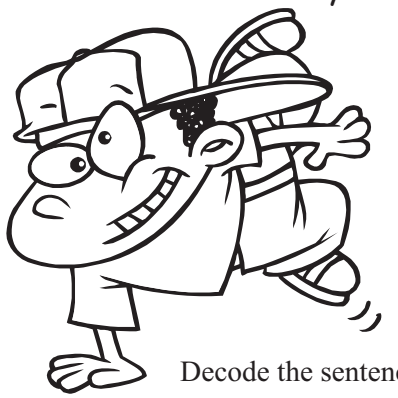

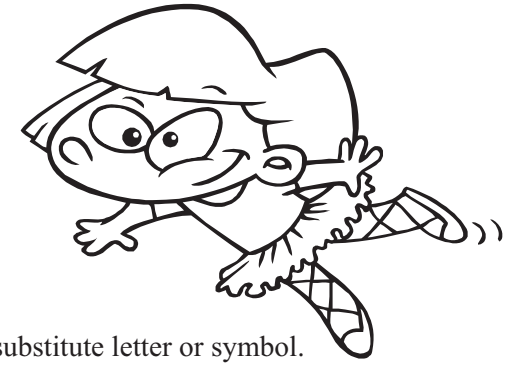

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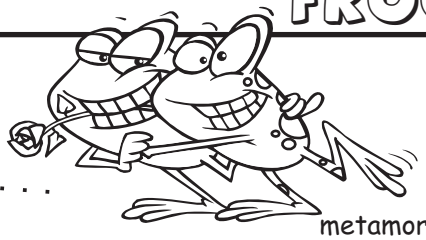

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toad
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jump
pond
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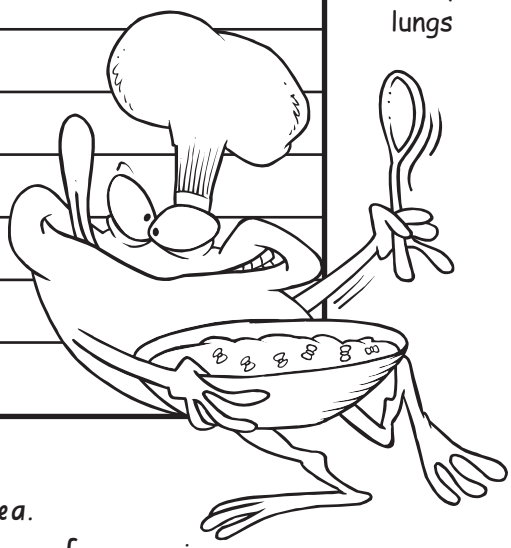

- Write a story about a frog who lost his croak.
- Make a poster about some frogs that live in your local area.
- Your pet frog cooks your dinner. Was it yummy? Write some frog recipes.
- Your teacher gets turned into a frog and you have to move classes to the swamp.
- Write a list of great Christmas gifts for a frog.

FROGS

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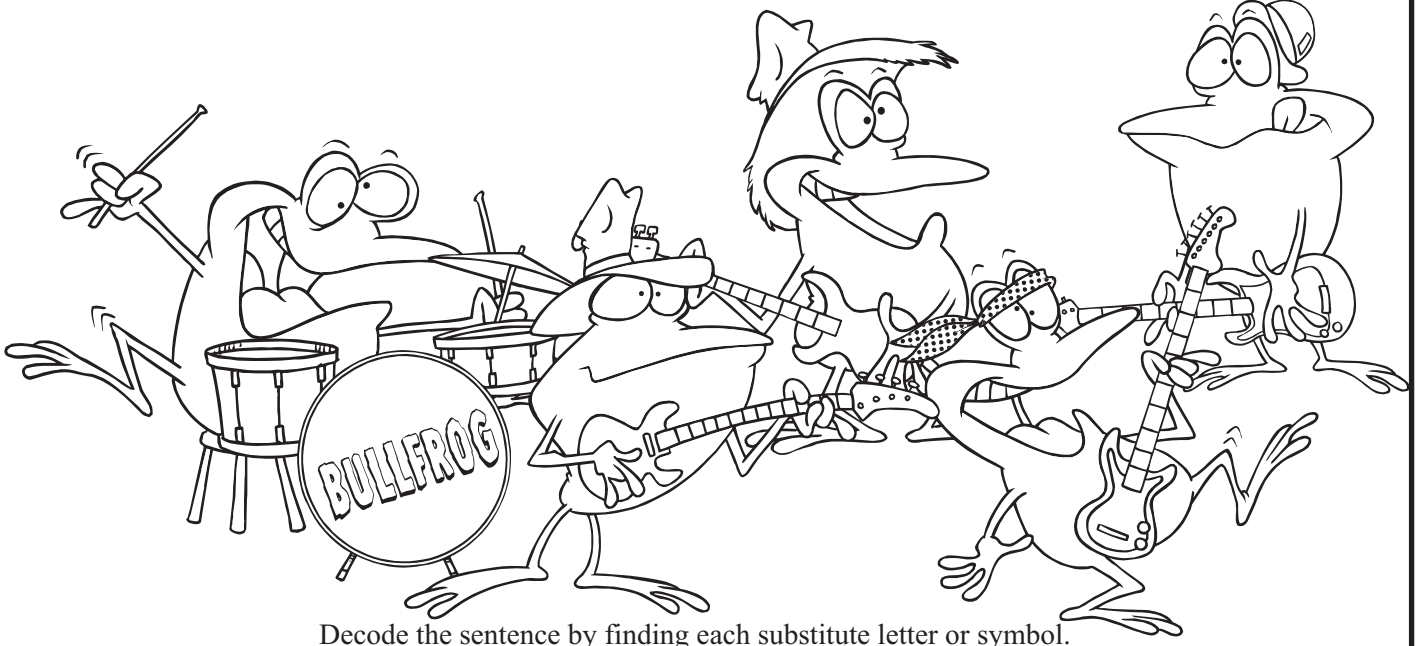

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CAVE PEOPLE

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prehistoric
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homo sapiens
weapons
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brute
animal
gorilla
ape
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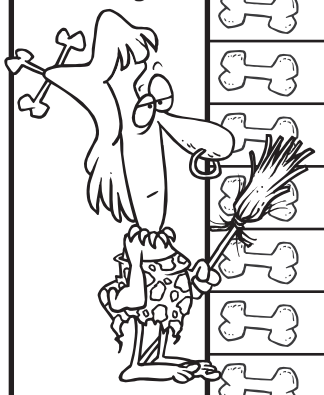

- Write about how hard it must have been to survive as a caveman.
- Cavemen and dinosaurs never lived on Earth at the same time. Write about if they did.
- You discover a frozen caveman while digging in the garden and take him to school.
- What tricks could you teach cave people if you were transported back in time?
- Write some caveman recipes and handy hints to keep your cave up to date and clean.

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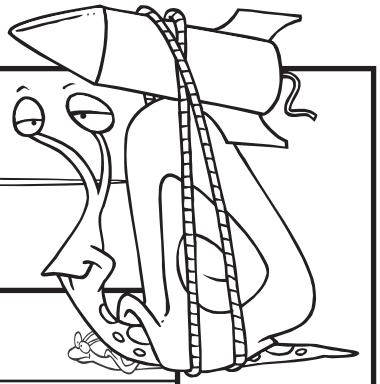

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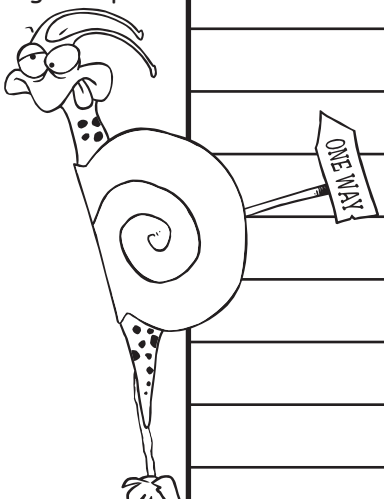

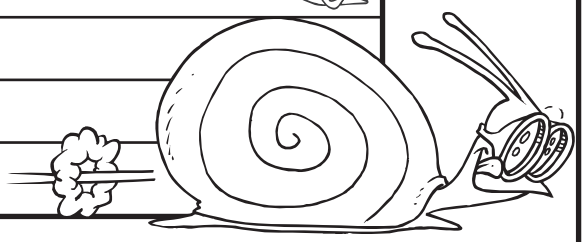

- There is a plague of millions of snails at school. Write about some solutions.
- Conduct some research and make a poster with snail facts and pictures.
- Write a poem about how comfy and safe it must be to live inside a snail shell.
- A giant snail ten metres high is heading towards your house. Tell the story.
- Write about your life as a snail. What things really annoy you? What do you really like?

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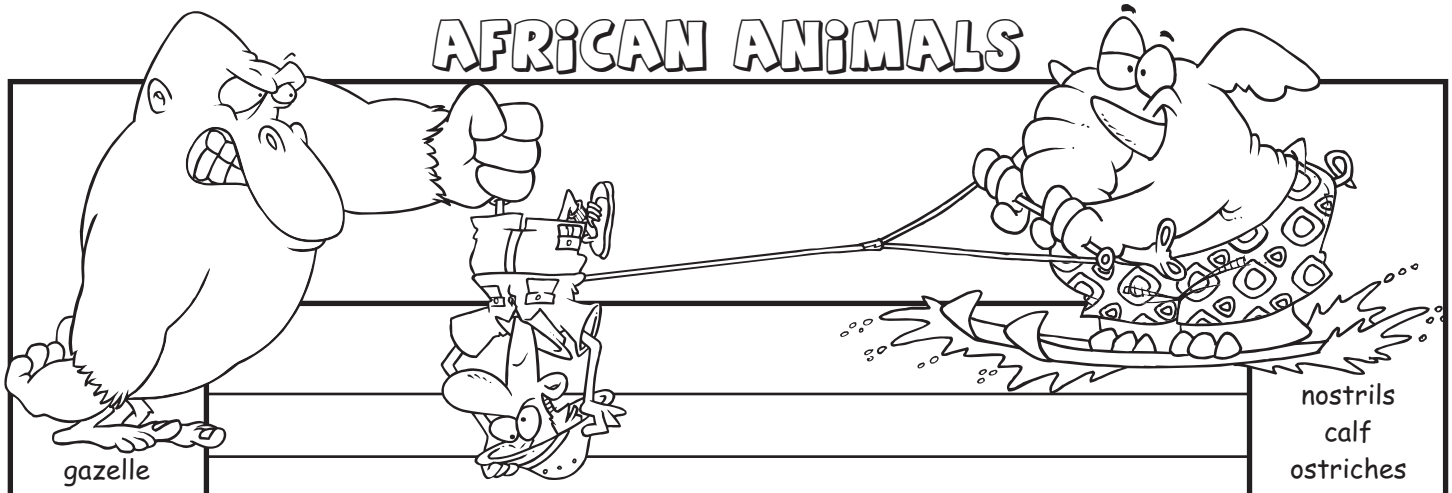
AFRICAN ANIMALS



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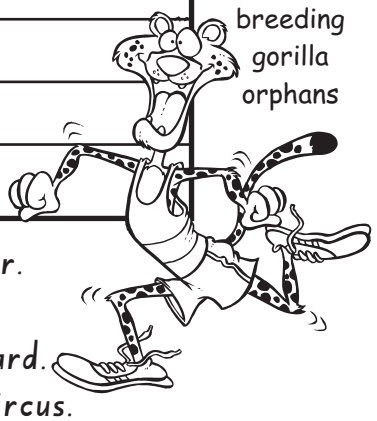

- A hippopotamus escapes from the zoo and sits on your teacher's car.
- Write a poem about a gorilla with very poor eyesight.
- Your uncle gives you a baby monkey to keep as a pet in your backyard.
- Write a story about a lion captured from the wild and sent to a circus.
- Research and find the differences between the African and Indian elephants for a poster.

AFRICAN ANIMALS

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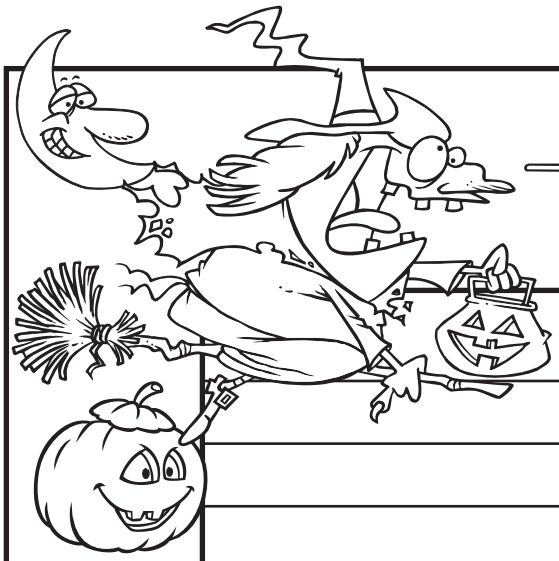
WITCHES



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bomb
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thunder
midnight
scar
clamour
raven
corpse
secrets
maggots
hag
restore
wrinkled
instantaneous
grotesque

- Your old auntie tells you she is a real witch. Tell her story.
- Write about a magic broomstick that you find in an old wardrobe.
- You discover a witch's book of spells. Write about the spell that went wrong.
- You have a big problem at school, but you find a witch that can solve it for you.
- Write a couple of spells. Give them a name, list the ingredients and explain the method.

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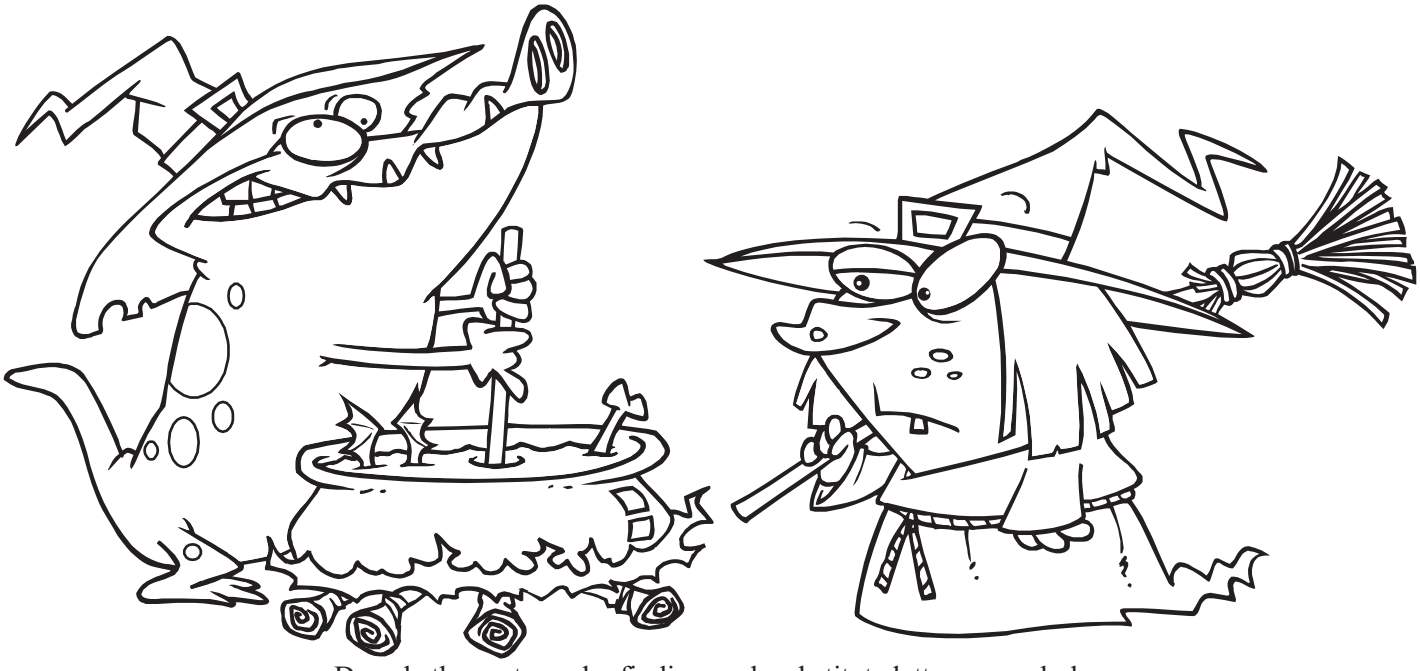

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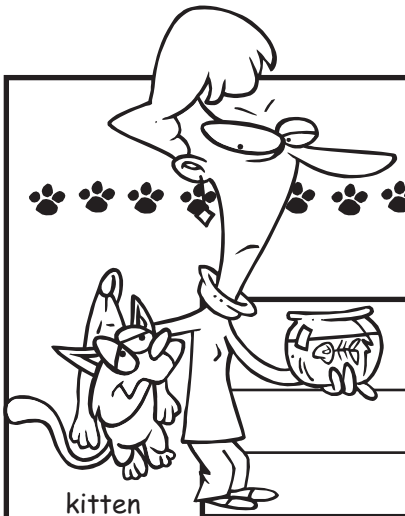
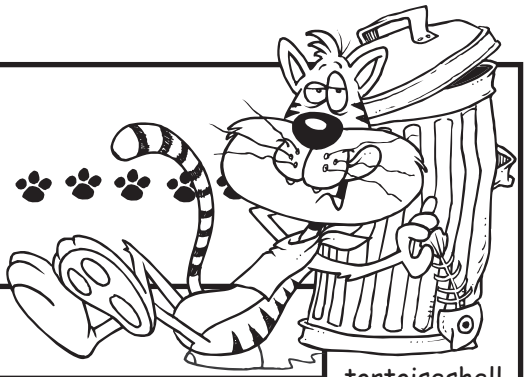
CATS





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feral
fight
collar
Felix
yarn
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Manx
furry
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fur
Siamese

tortoiseshell
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eyes
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house
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tailless
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tomcat
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jaguar
bobcat
cougar
retractable
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stripes
lion
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night vision
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smell
tiger
wildcat
arch
climb
feline
groom
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howl
hunt
independent

- Write about your life as a feral cat, living off the land.
- Create a poem about a domestic cat, sleeping peacefully in the sun.
- Research some cat breeds, pick out a favourite and make a poster with cat facts.
- You decide to adopt two stray cats, but after a time they have bred into twenty.
- A dangerous lion escapes from the zoo and is lying in the playground, but you save the day.

CATS

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ANSWERS

Page 3 Clowns
1. Clowns are picked out by their funny appearance: coloured wigs, white makeup, silly costumes and large footwear.
2. Sometimes a clown pretends to be a character of some type, such as a butcher, a housewife or a policeman.

Page 5 Food
1. Food can be eaten raw, but many foods go through some form of preparation for reasons of safety or flavour.
2. Many people produce food for sale. They have chefs who prepare the food and trained wait staff who serve the customers.

Page 7 Aliens
1. Many scientists believe that it is nearly impossible that no other intelligent life exists in the universe.
2. Some UFO sightings have gone unexplained, having been reported in some cases by police and airline pilots.

Page 9 Plants
1. Plants include familiar organisms such as trees, herbs, bushes, grasses, vines, ferns, mosses, and green algae.
2. Many plants or plant parts are eaten as food. There are around 2,000 plant species which are cultivated for food.

Page 11 Dragons
1. Some dragons have wings growing from their back. A dragon-like creature with no front legs is known as a wyvern.
2. Dragons are nearly always like snakes or reptiles, hatching from eggs and having scaly or feathered bodies.

Page 13 Computers
1. A computer is a machine that manipulates data according to a set of instructions.
2. Computer instructions are simple: add one number to another, move some data from one location to another or send a message to some device.

Page 15 Birthdays
1. People born on February 29, which occurs only during leap years, often celebrate their birthday in other years on February 28, or March 1.
2. A birthday is the anniversary of the day on which a person was born and is often celebrated with a party.

Page 17 Pirates
1. The Jolly Roger is a traditional name for some pirate flags. It has been adopted by film-makers and toy manufacturers.
2. Pirates have been around as long as people have used the oceans as trade routes and are still active today.

Page 19 Aircraft
1. An aircraft is a vehicle which is able to fly by being supported by the air, or atmosphere of a planet.
2. Kites were the first kind of aircraft to fly, and were invented in China around 500 BC.

Page 21 Dogs
1. The domestic dog has been one of the most widely kept working and companion animals in human history.
2. The smallest dog in the world is the Chihuahua and largest dog is the Irish Wolfhound.

Page 23 Books
1. A store where books are bought and sold is a bookstore or bookshop. Books can also be borrowed from libraries.
2. Books are a set of written, printed, illustrated, or blank sheets, made of paper or other material.

Page 25 Super Heroes
1. Superheroes use their powers to police day-to-day crime while also combating threats against humanity by supervillains.
2. Superhuman strength, flying, enhanced senses and the firing of energy bolts are all common in super heroes.

Page 27 Inventions
1. Australian inventions include the very old, such as the boomerang and the very new, such as the scramjet.
2. Inventions get out into the world in different ways. Some are sold, licensed or given away as products or services.

Page 29 Wizards
1. Many wizards appear in books from Gandalf, in The Lord of the Rings to Albus Dumbledore in the Harry Potter series.
2. Wizards can use magic or be magical, and they have generally acquired their powers by study.

Page 31 Money
1. Money is anything that is generally accepted as payment for goods and services and repayment of debts.
2. Gold and silver coins have been widely used as money, as well as copper, rice, salt, peppercorns, large stones, decorated belts, shells, alcohol and cigarettes.

Page 33 Christmas
1. Santa Claus is a plump, jolly, white-bearded man wearing a red coat with white collar and cuffs, red trousers, and black leather belt and boots.
2. Toys are manufactured by Santa's elfves at a North Pole factory. It is also where Santa, his wife and the reindeer also live.

Page 35 Music
1. Music is an art form based on sound. To many people in many cultures music is an important part of their way of life.
2. Amateur musicians compose and perform music for their own pleasure, and they do not derive their income from music.

Page 37 Soccer
1. Although players usually use their feet to move the ball around, they may use any part of their bodies other than their hands or arms.
2. Soccer players use their feet to kick the ball into position, occasionally using their torso or head to intercept a ball in midair.

Page 39 Elephant
1. Healthy adult elephants have no natural predators, although lions may take calves or weak individuals.
2. Three species of elephant are living today: the African Bush Elephant, the African Forest Elephant and the Asian (Indian) Elephant.

Page 41 Dancing
1. Dance has certainly been an important part of ceremony, celebrations and entertainment since before the birth of the earliest human civilizations.
2. Ballet developed first in Italy and then in France from lavish court spectacles that combined music, drama, poetry, song, costumes and dance.

Page 43 Frogs
1. Frogs lay their eggs in puddles, ponds or lakes, and their larvae, called tadpoles, have gills and develop in water.
2. Most frogs have long hind legs, a short body, webbed digits (fingers or toes), protruding eyes and no tail.

Page 45 Cave People
1. Cavemen are often shown as wearing shaggy animal hides, and armed with rocks or cattle bone clubs, unintelligent and aggressive.
2. In fiction cavemen are sometimes shown as living with dinosaurs. Evidence shows that dinosaurs became extinct 65 million years ago before men had appeared.

Page 47 Snails
1. Snails can be sea snails, land snails or freshwater snails. Snails lacking a shell or having only a very small one are usually called slugs.
2. Most snails move by gliding along on their muscular foot, which is lubricated with mucus.

Page 49 African Animals
1. Buffalo are used as draft, meat and dairy animals. Their dung is used as a fertilizer and as a fuel when dried.
2. There are more than one thousand one hundred mammal species in Africa.

Page 51 Witches
1. A spell can consist of a set of words, a formula or verse, or a ritual action, or any combination of these.
2. It has been estimated that between 40,000 and 60,000 people, mostly women, were killed because they were accused as witches.

Page 53 Cats
1. A cat is a small carnivorous mammal that is valued by humans for its companionship and its ability to hunt vermin and household pests.
2. The cat has been associated with humans for at least 9,500 years and is currently the most popular pet in the world.

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