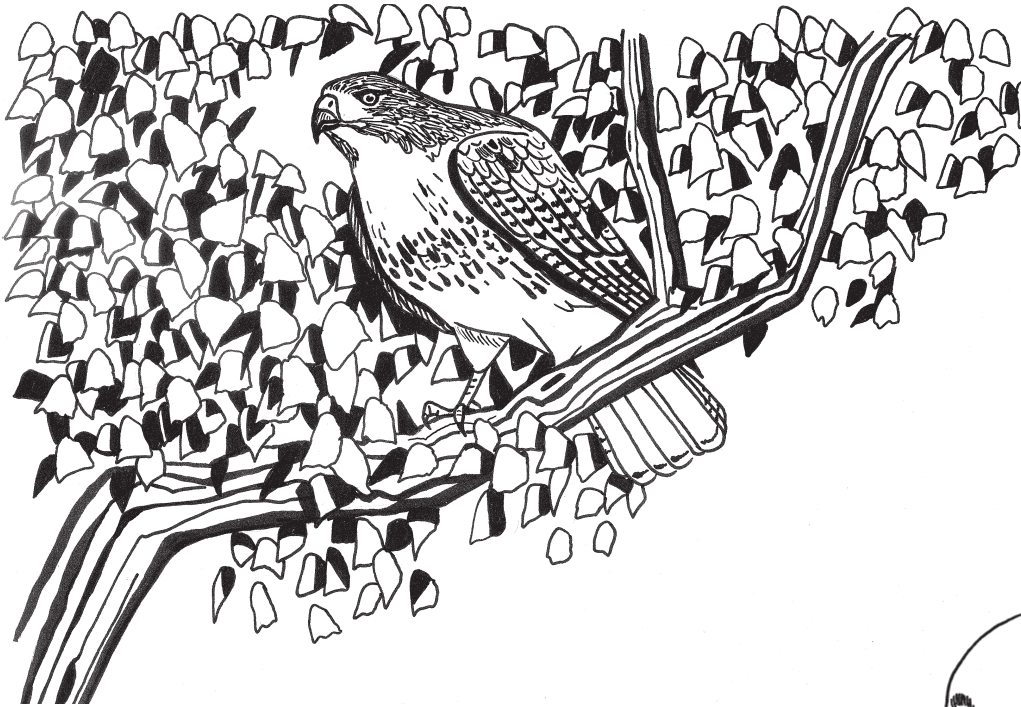
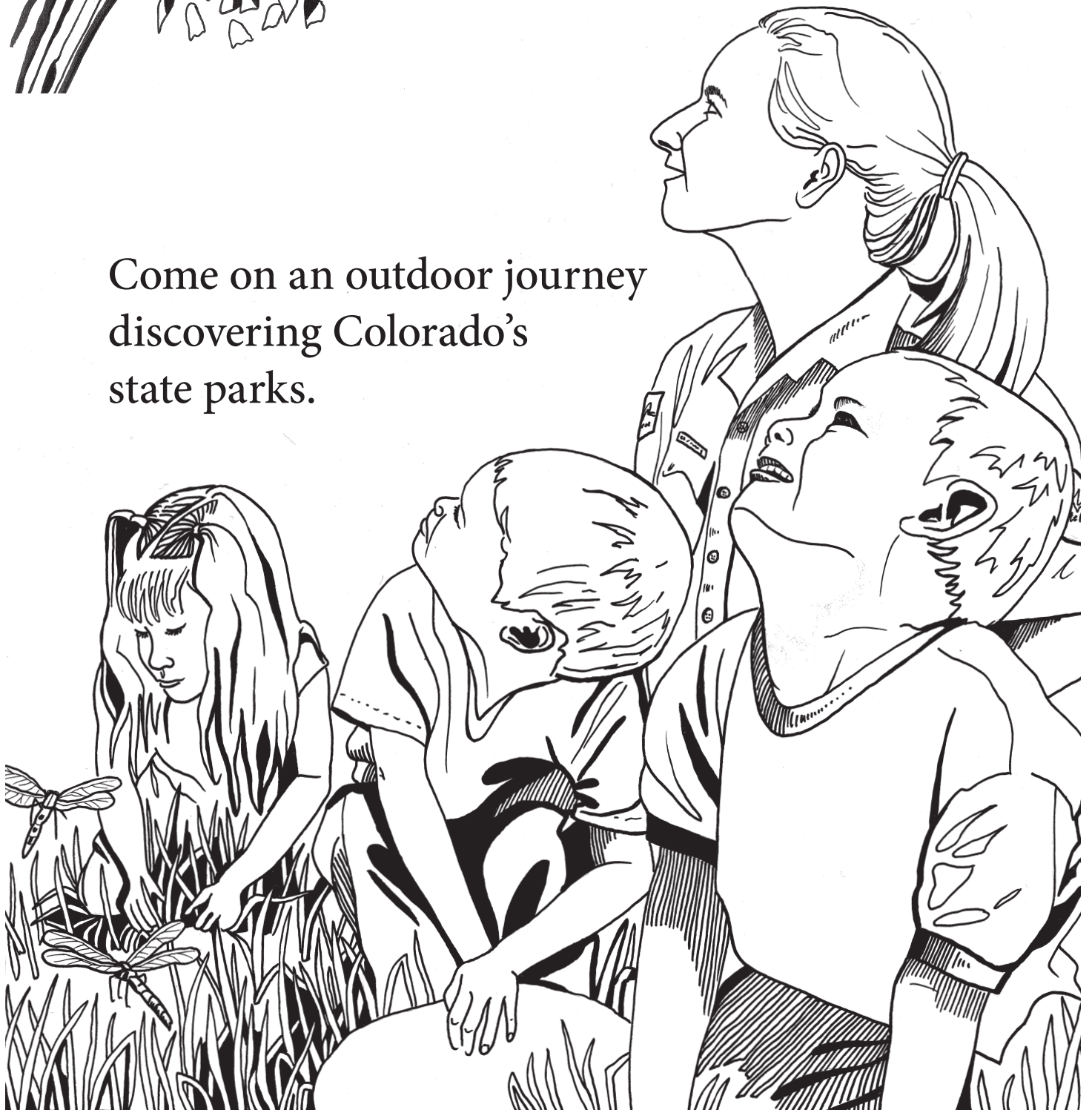


# Adventures as a Young Naturalist

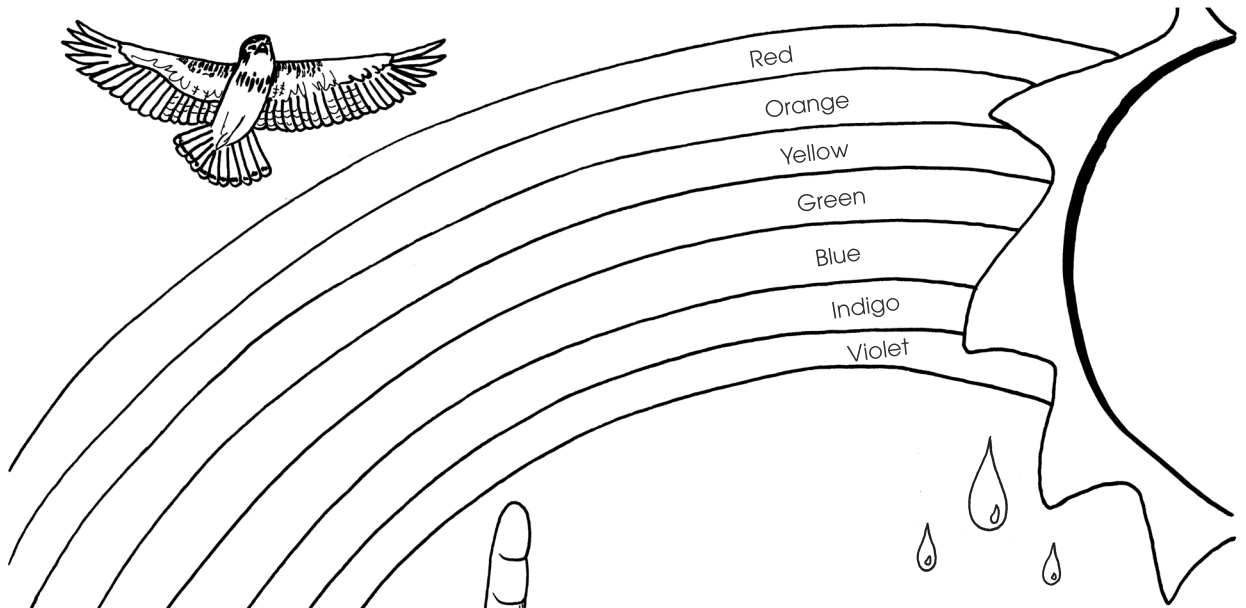


Come on an outdoor journey  
discovering Colorado's  
state parks.

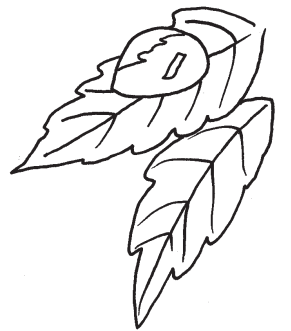
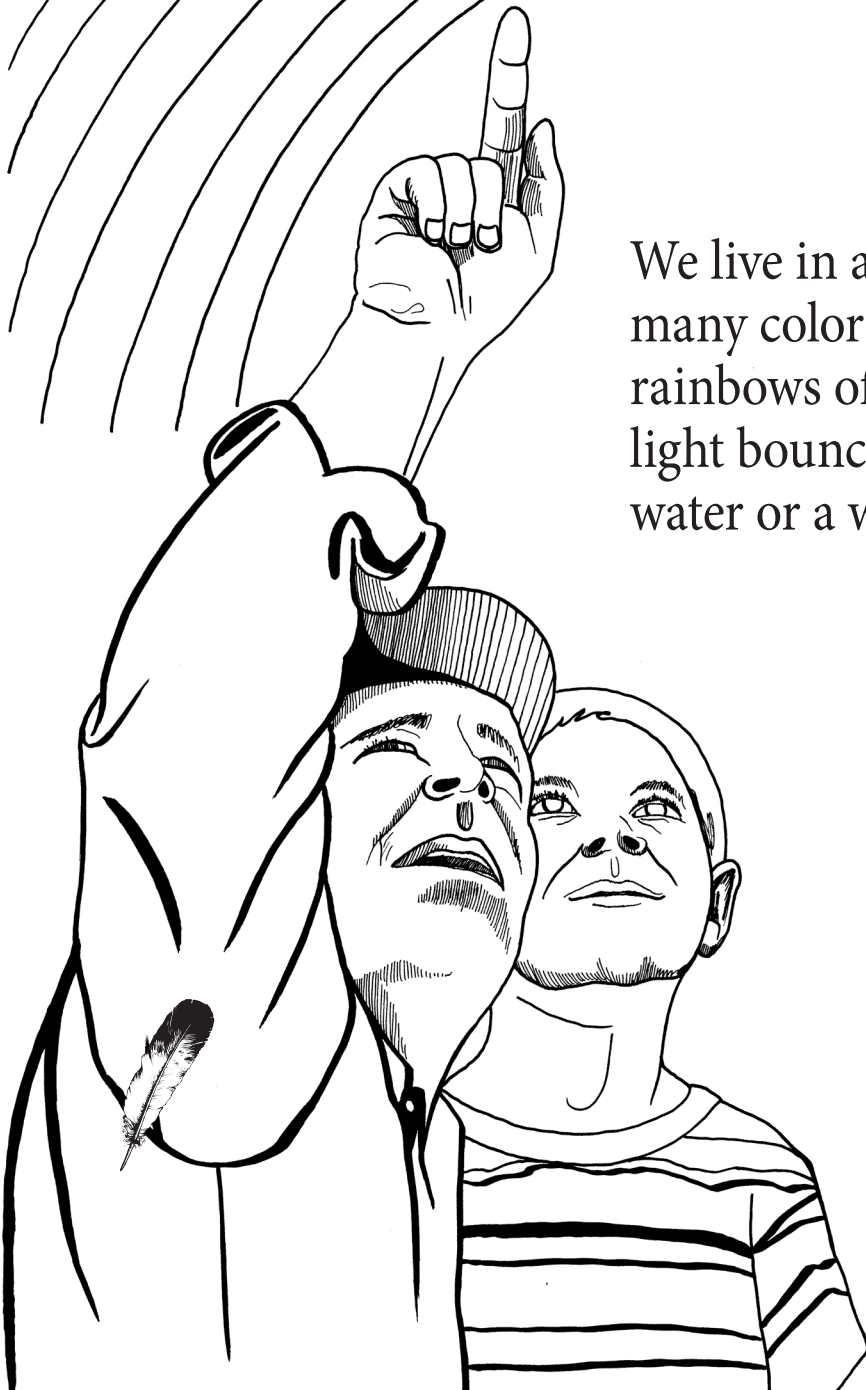




Welcome to Colorado's state parks. There are over 40 state parks across Colorado and each one is a special place to explore. Complete these fun activities, taking your first steps to become a naturalist—a person who loves and cares about the outdoors. Just remember to explore with an adult, have fun, and enjoy nature—it is full of surprises.



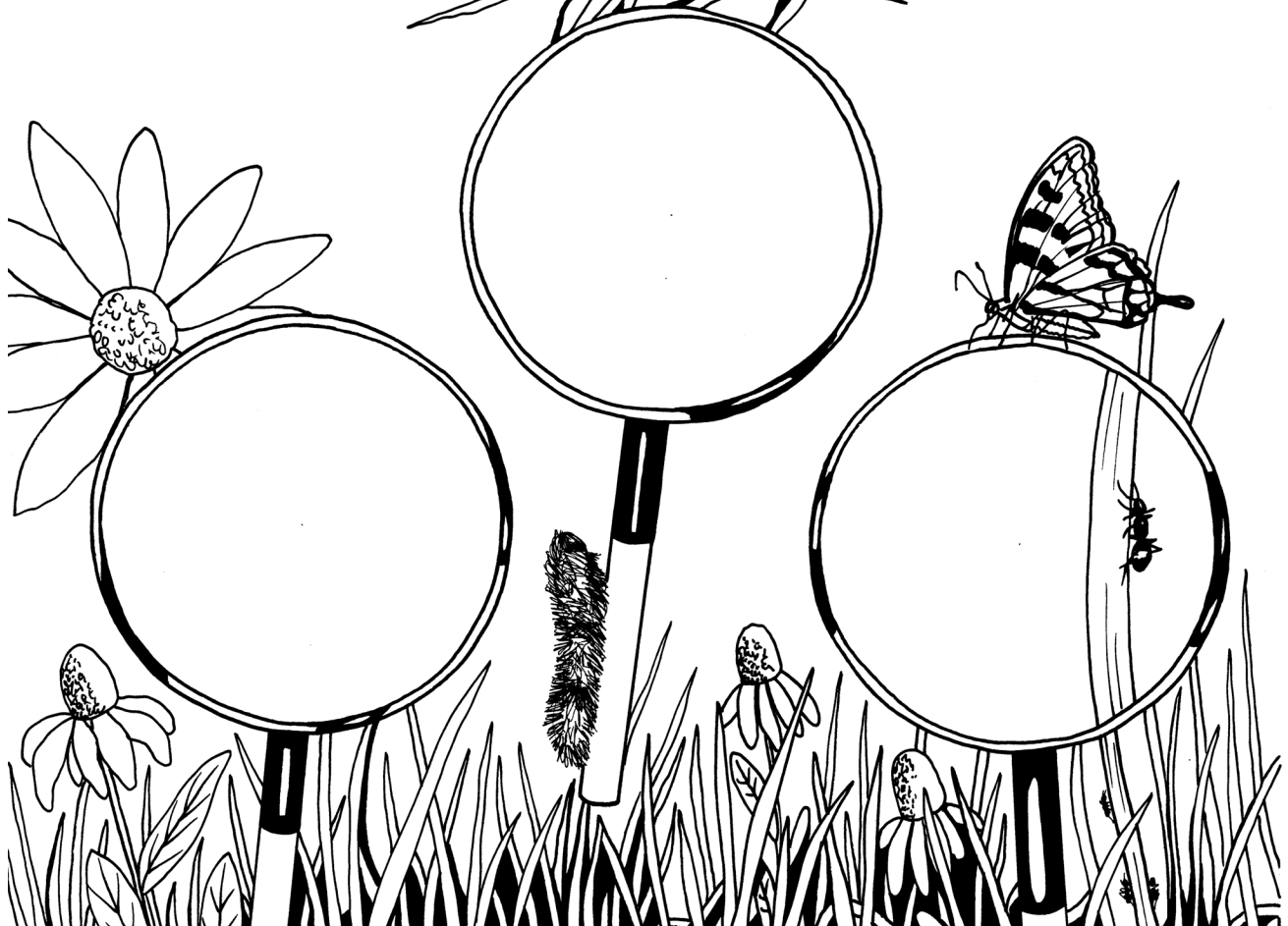
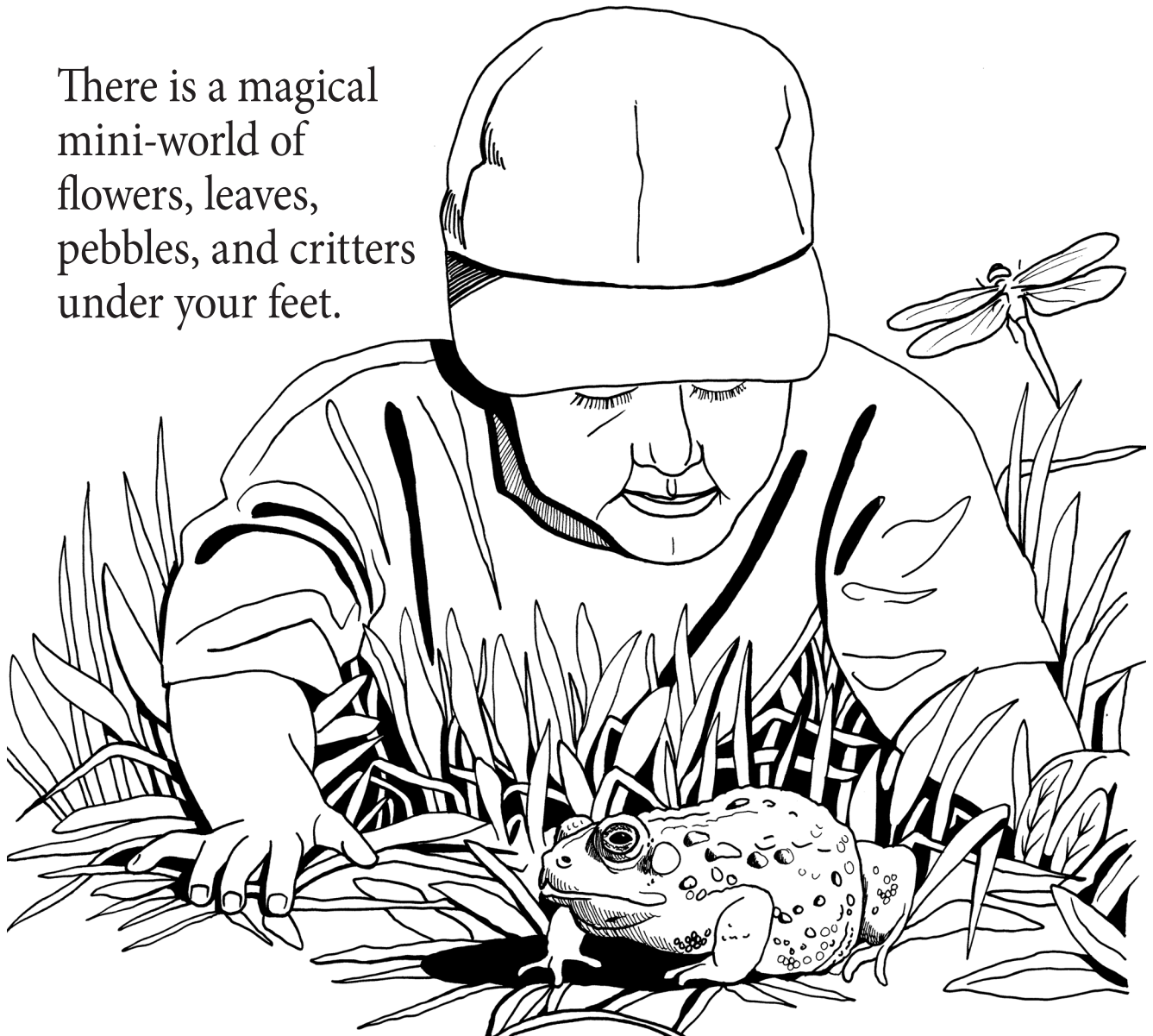
We live in a world of many colors. You can see rainbows of color when light bounces off a drop of water or a wet summer sky.



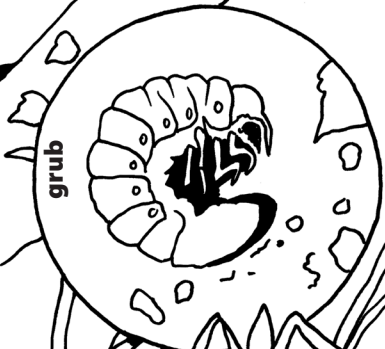
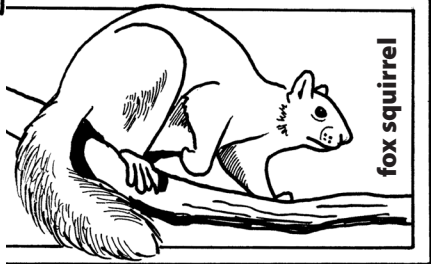
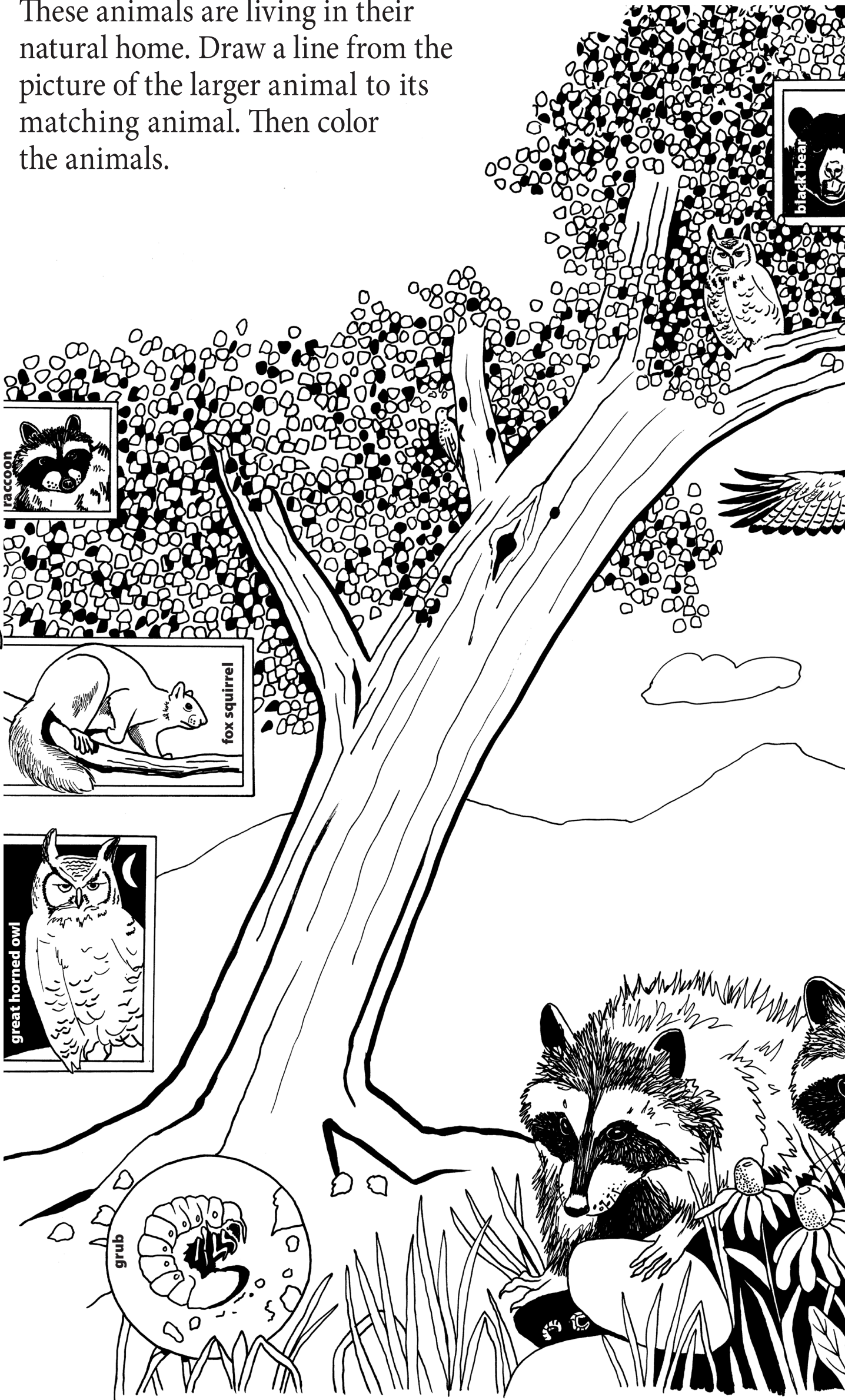
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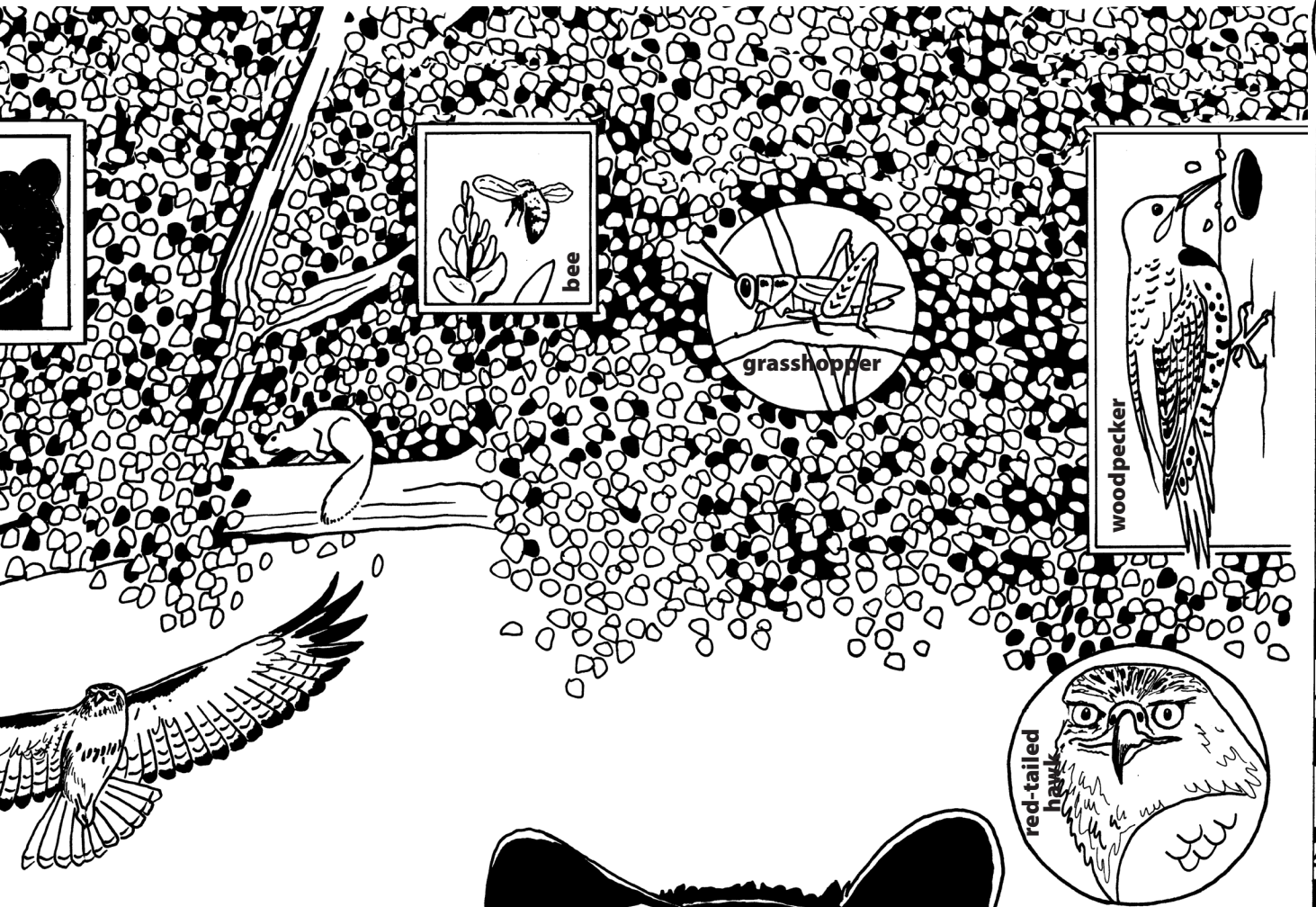
There is a magical  
mini-world of  
flowers, leaves,  
pebbles, and critters  
under your feet.




These animals are living in their natural home. Draw a line from the picture of the larger animal to its matching animal. Then color the animals.





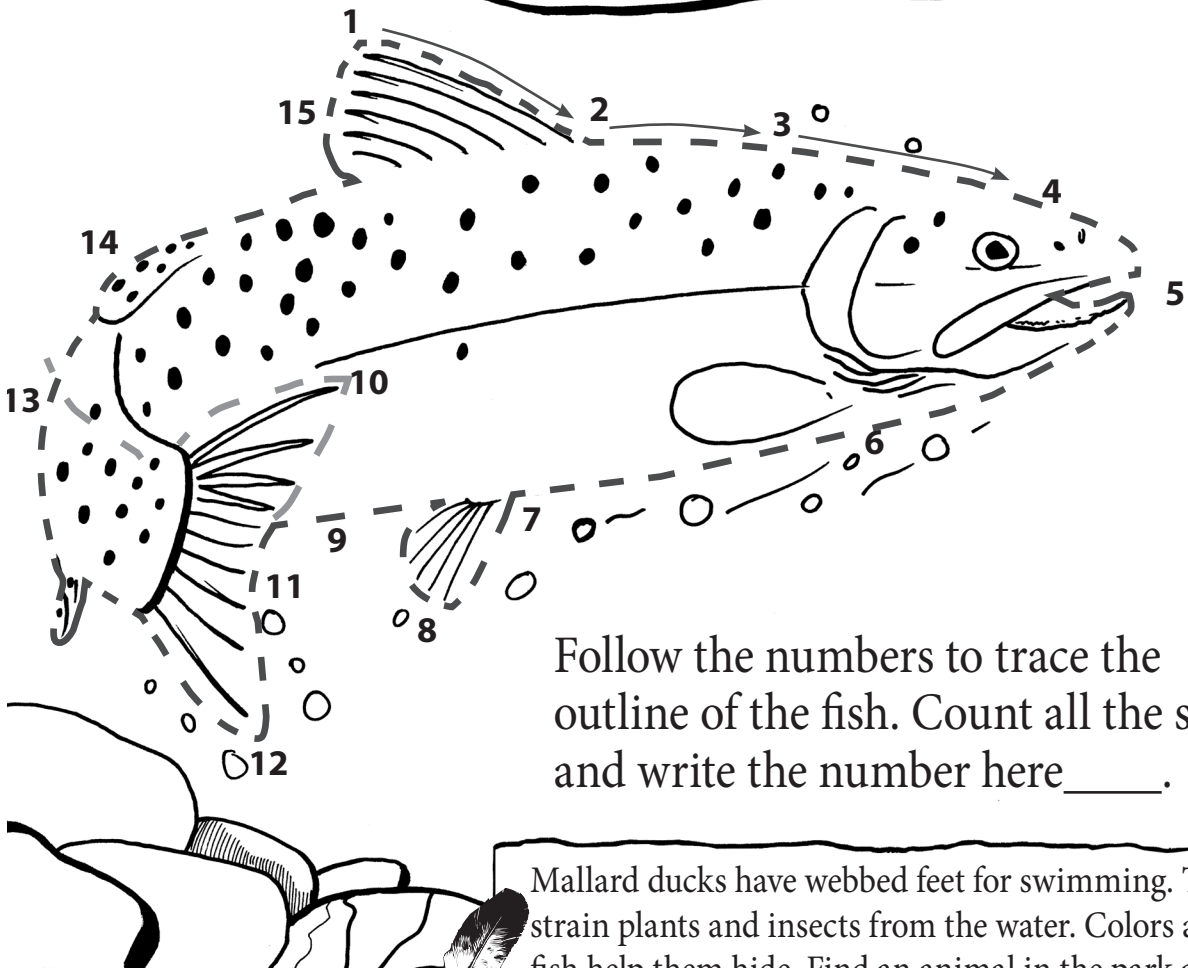
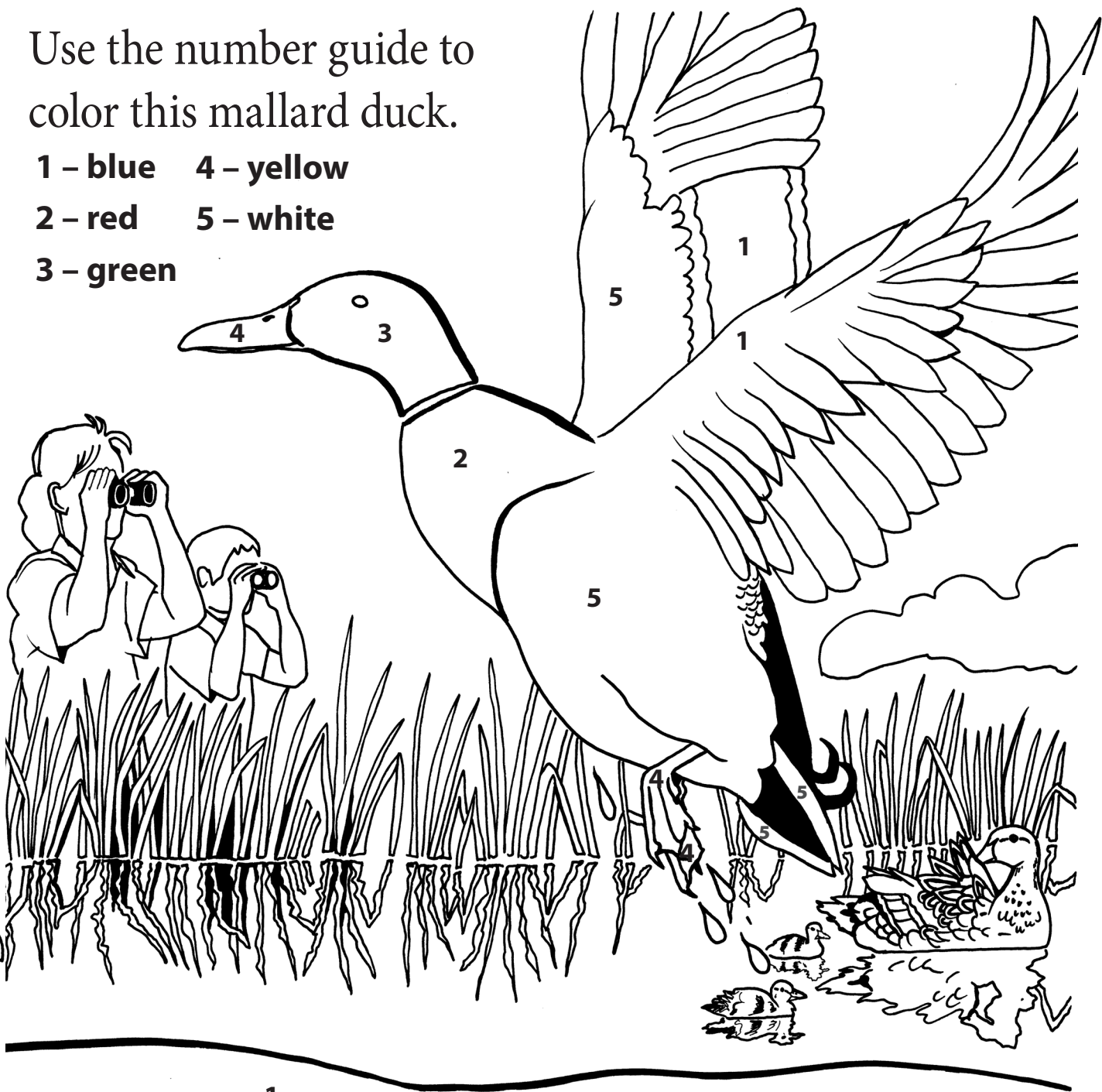


 Trees make great homes for all kinds of animals. They provide food and cover. Walk around a tree. Look up in the leaves. Feel and smell the bark. Explore the ground underneath. Can you spot any signs that animals live in the tree? Here is a clue—look for holes, scratches, or nests.



Use the number guide to color this mallard duck.

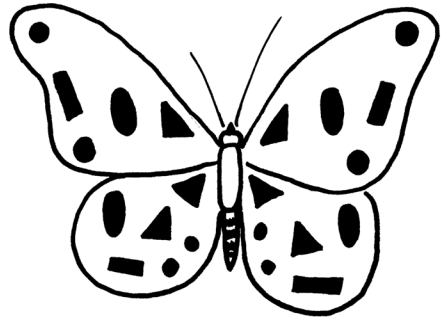
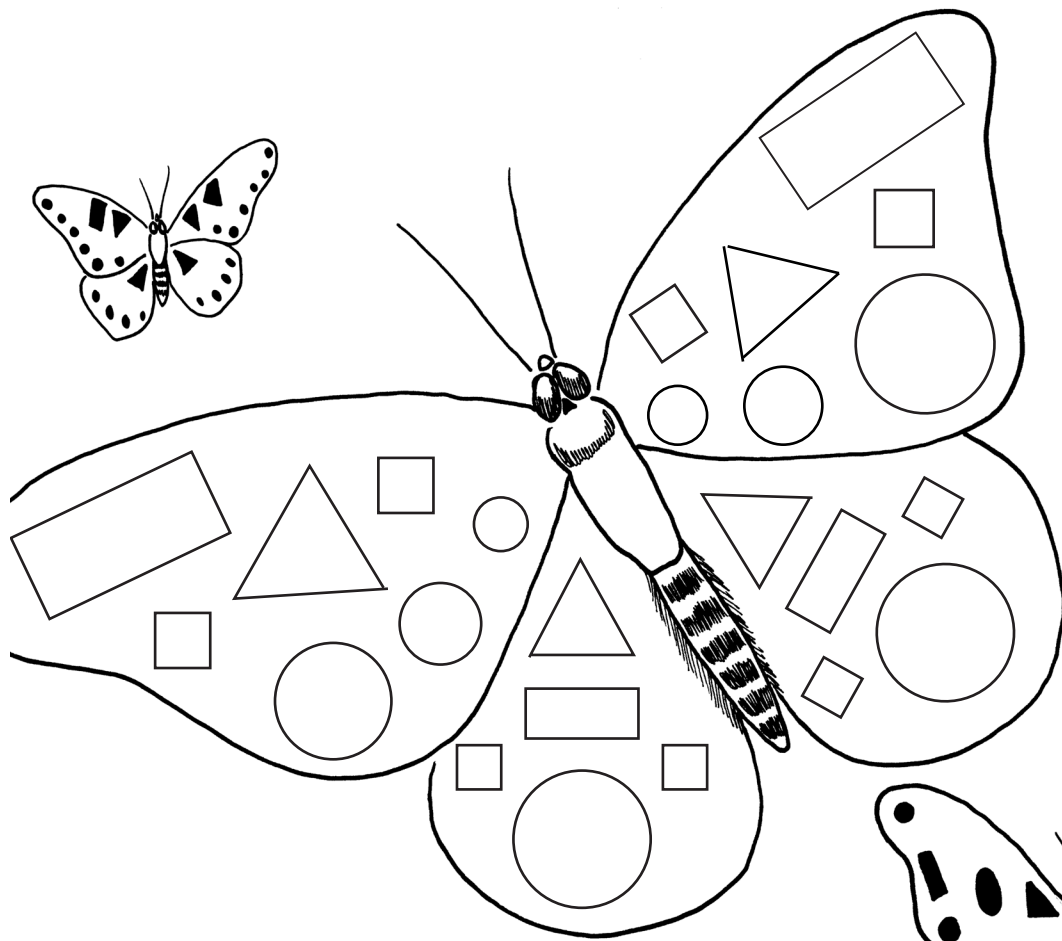
- 1 - blue
- 2 - red
- 3 - green
- 4 - yellow
- 5 - white



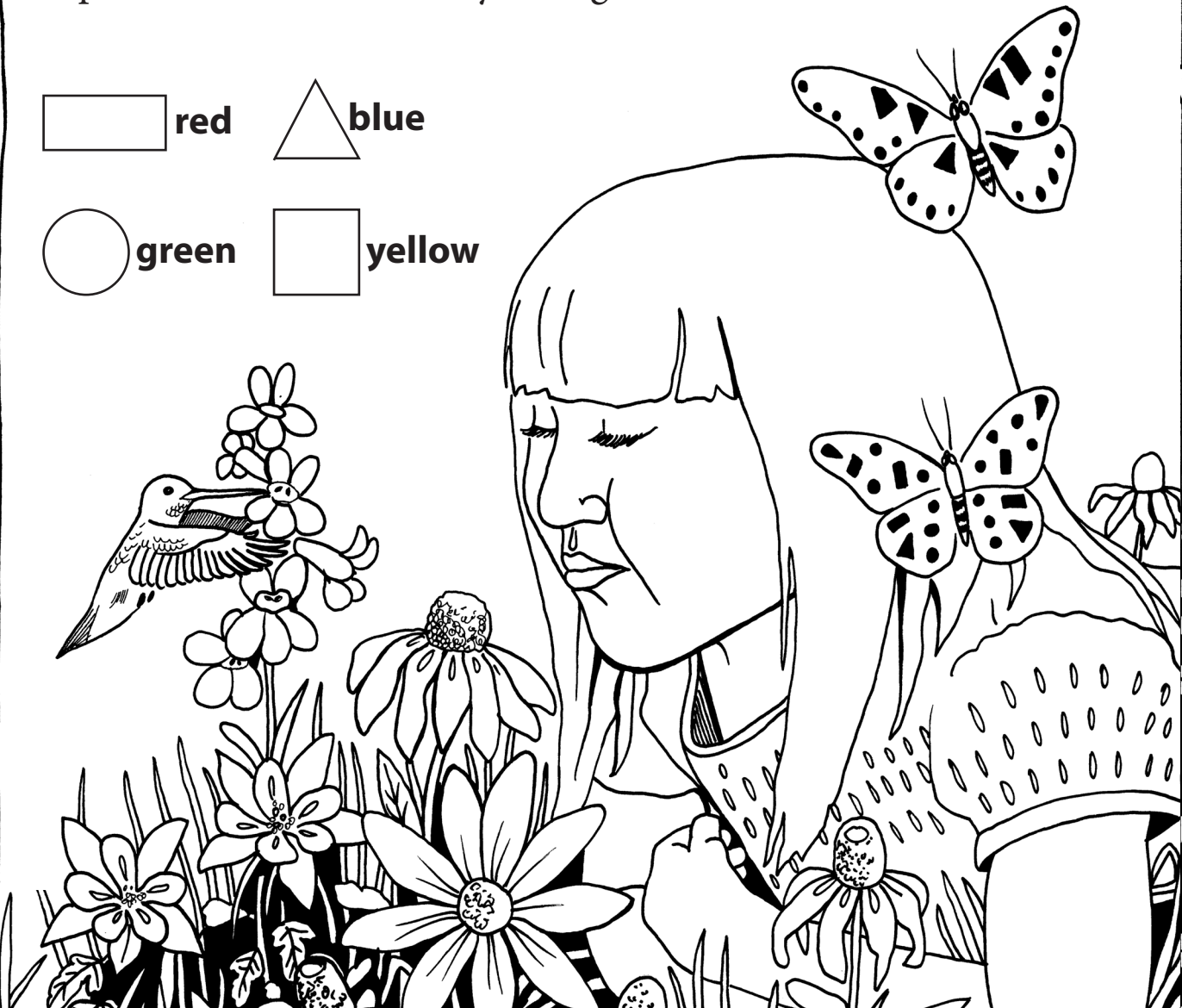
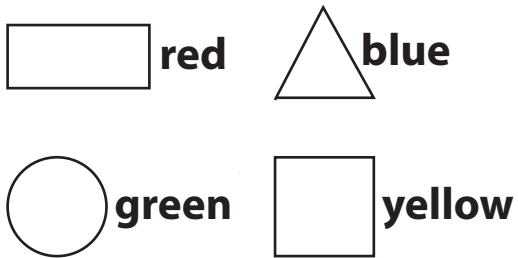
Follow the numbers to trace the outline of the fish. Count all the spots and write the number here \_\_\_\_.

Mallard ducks have webbed feet for swimming. Their bills strain plants and insects from the water. Colors and spots on fish help them hide. Find an animal in the park and watch it quietly. What is it doing?




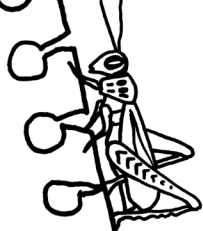


Use this guide to color these shapes found in the butterfly's wing.





My favorite discoveries are...



Congratulations, \_\_\_\_\_  
You have taken your first steps in becoming  
a naturalist! As you continue to discover more  
about nature, remember to stay safe, have fun  
outdoors, and explore more parks!



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