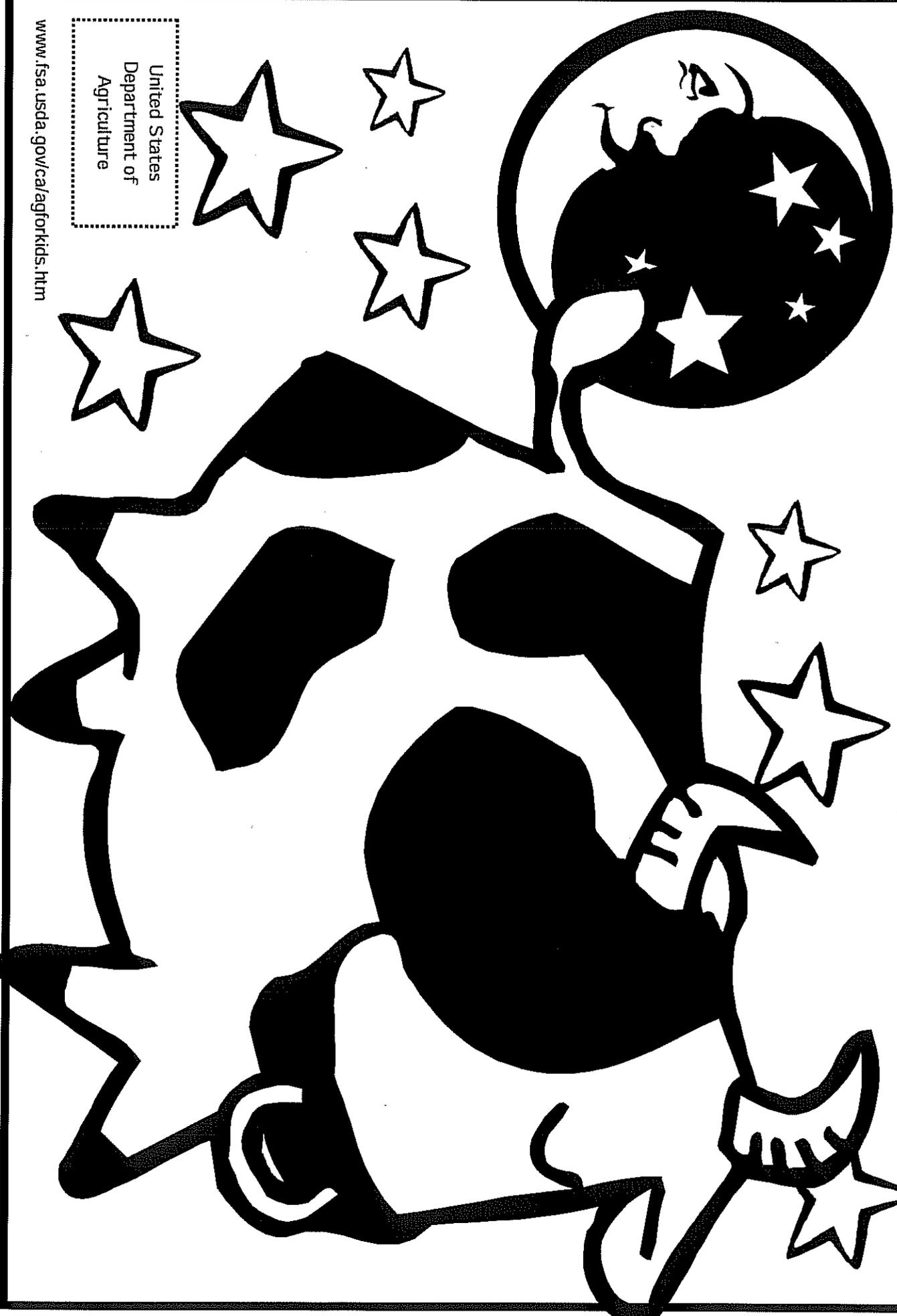


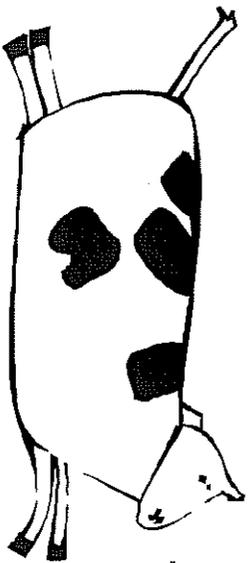
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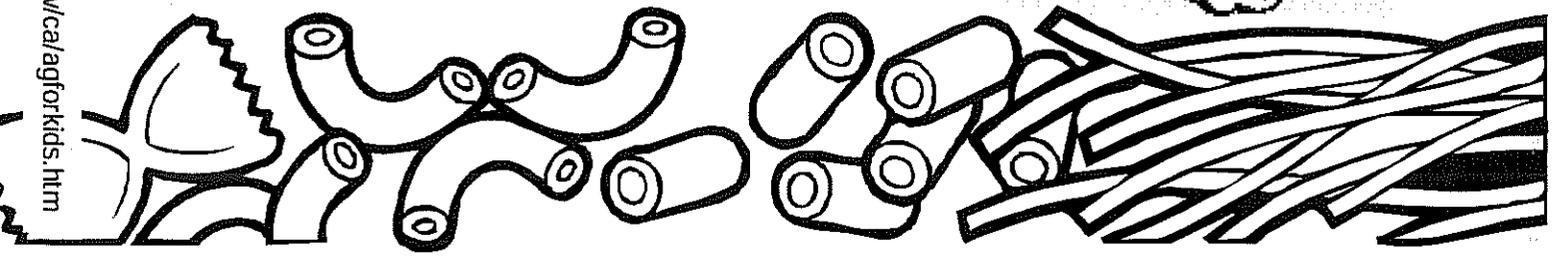
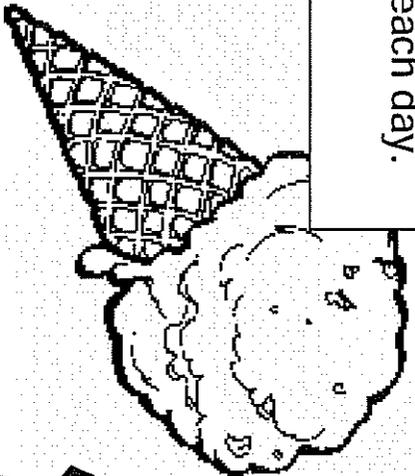
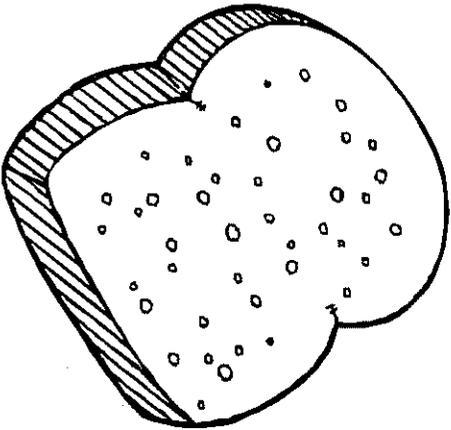
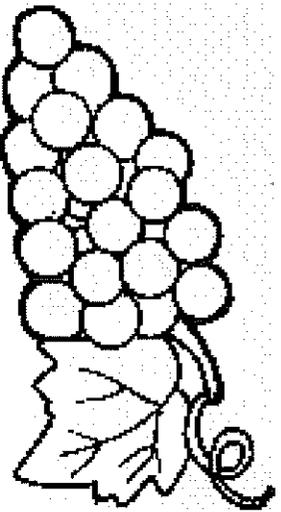
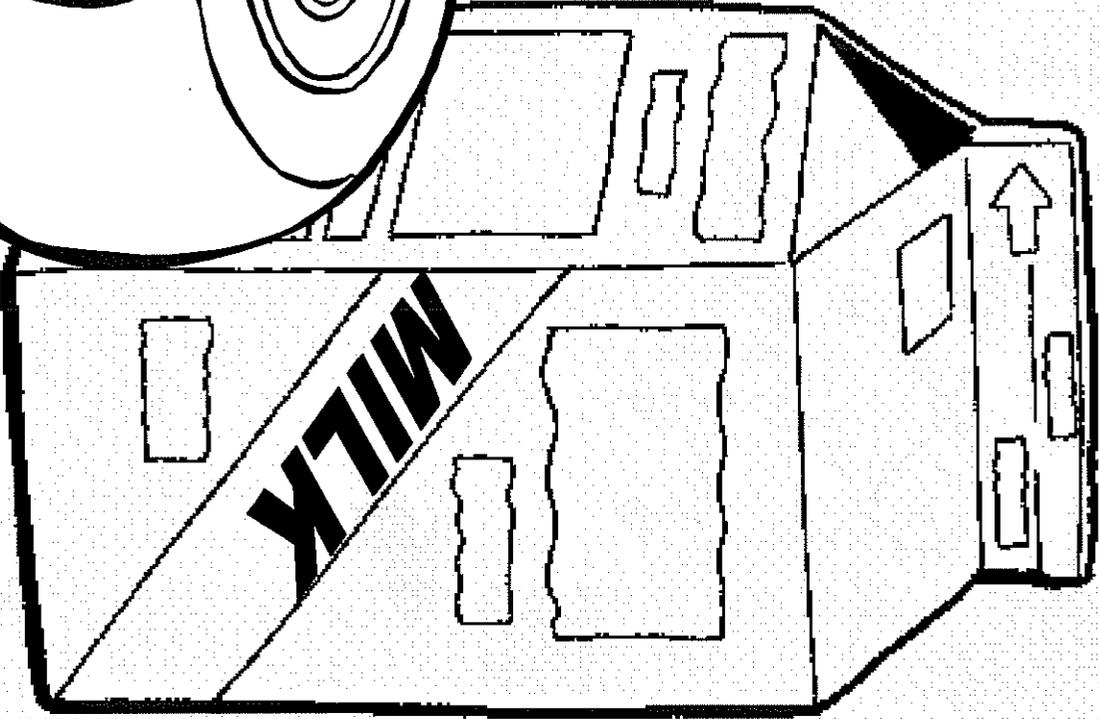
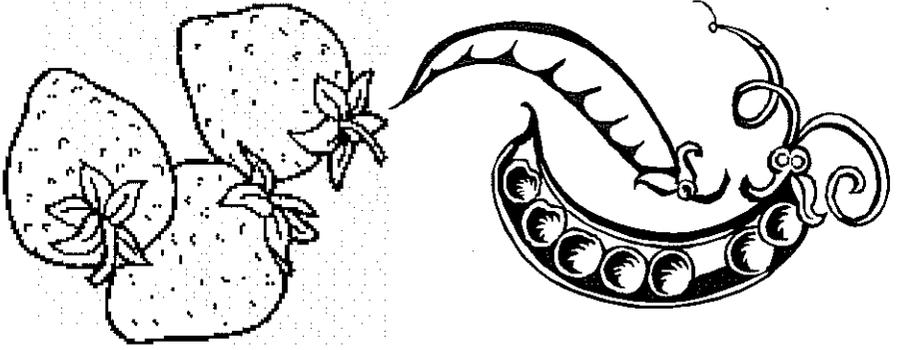
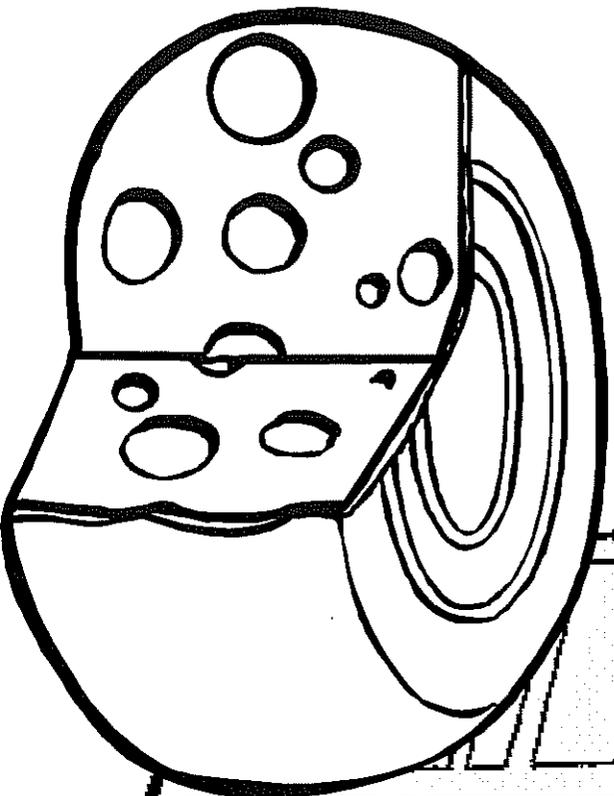


The Farm Service Agency is a federal government agency in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It exists to help farmers protect their land, get their farms back in order after floods or tornadoes (and other disasters), make loans to farmers who need help, and to make sure farmers know about special programs Congress creates for them.

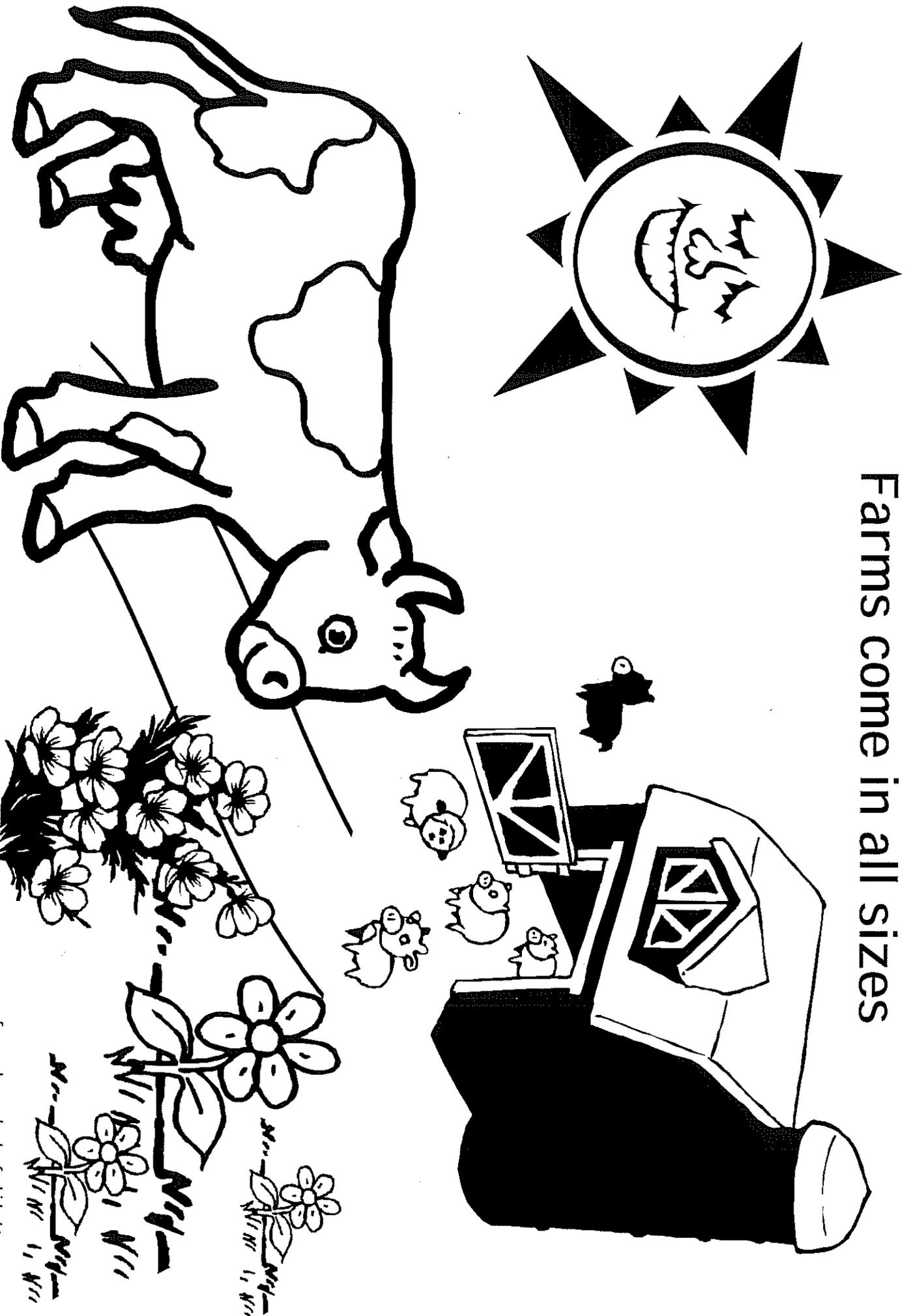
The Farm Service Agency got its new name in 1994, but it has been around since the 1930s.

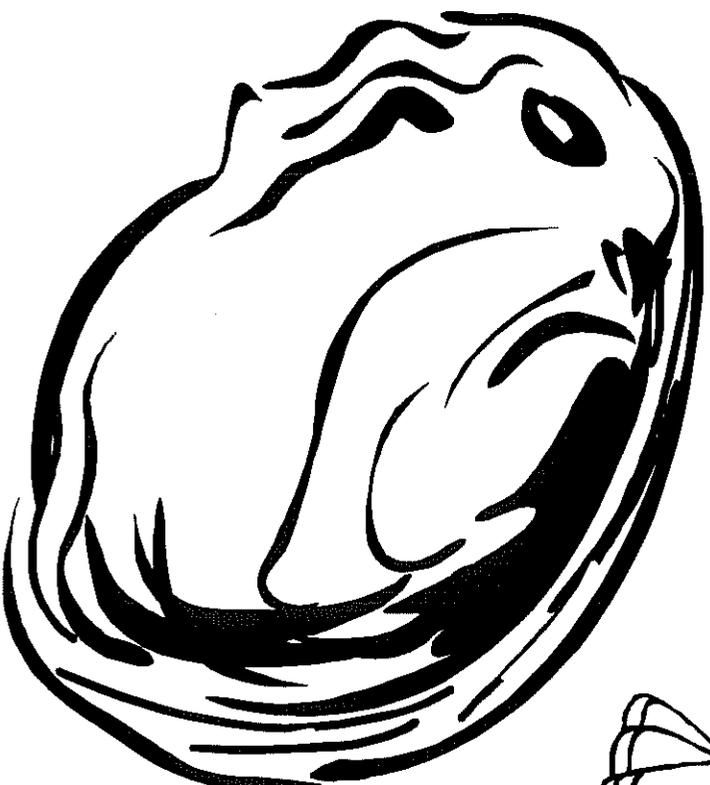
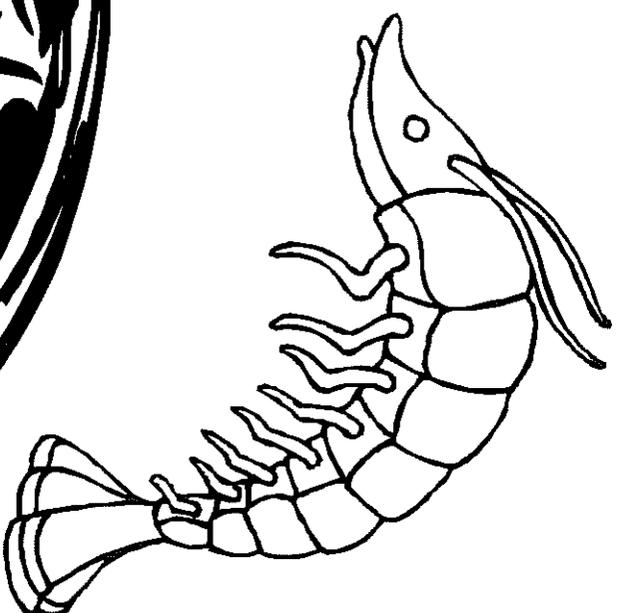
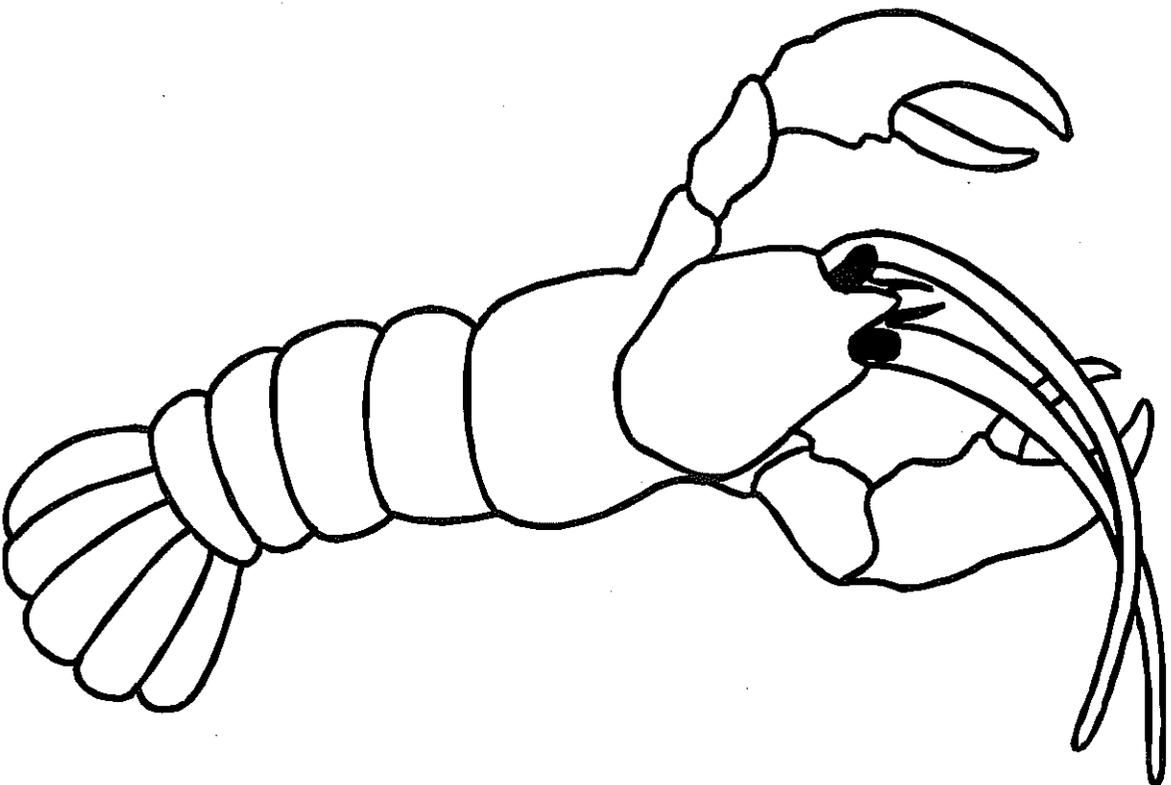


Play the game! Draw a **circle** around the foods that give you calcium for strong bones. Draw a **square** around the fruits and vegetables. You'll need five servings each day. Draw a **triangle** around the grains.

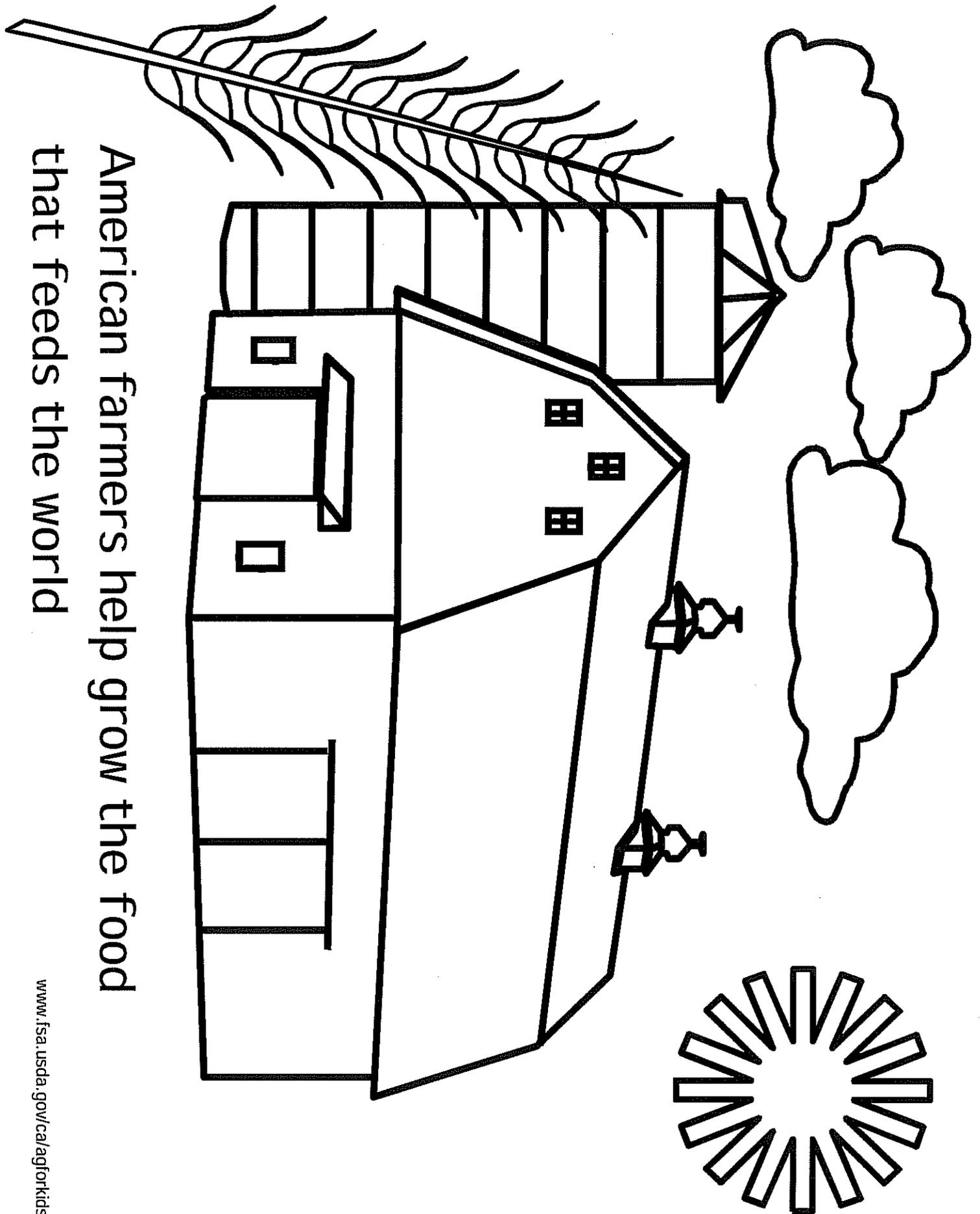


Farms come in all sizes

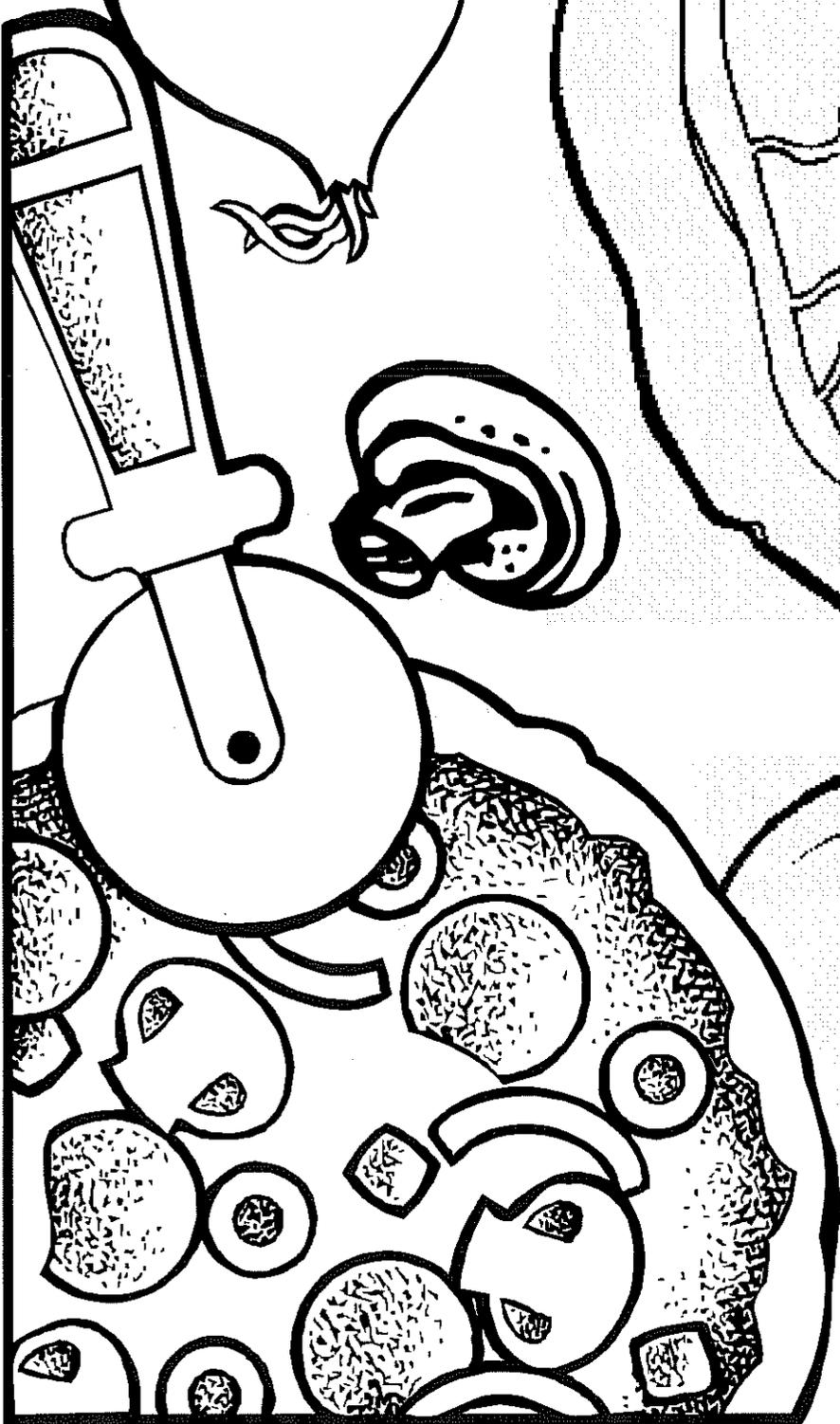
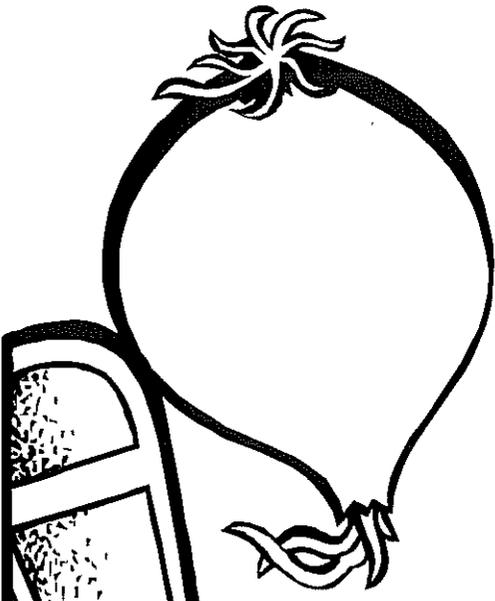
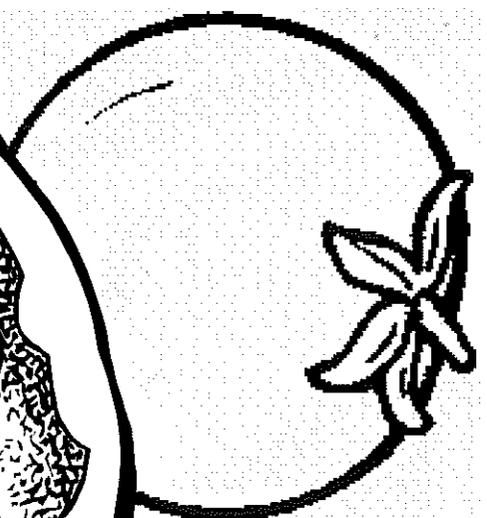
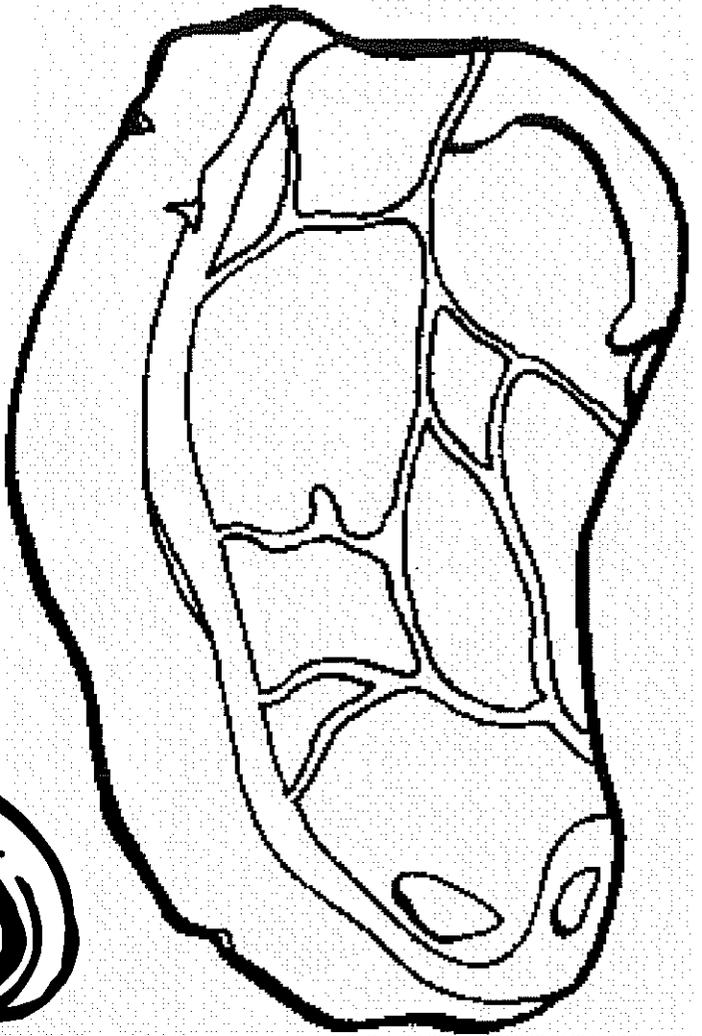




Some states have aquaculture which includes  
lobster, abalone, shrimp, seaweed and fish

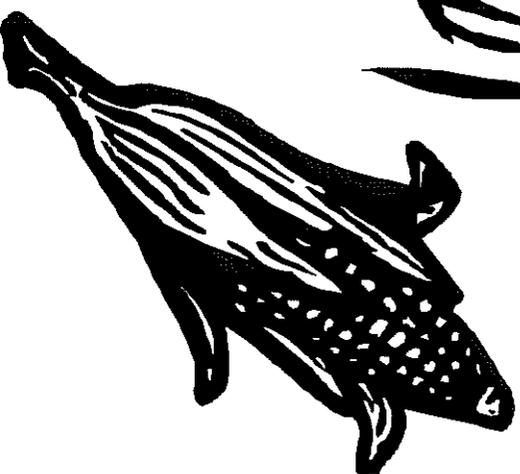
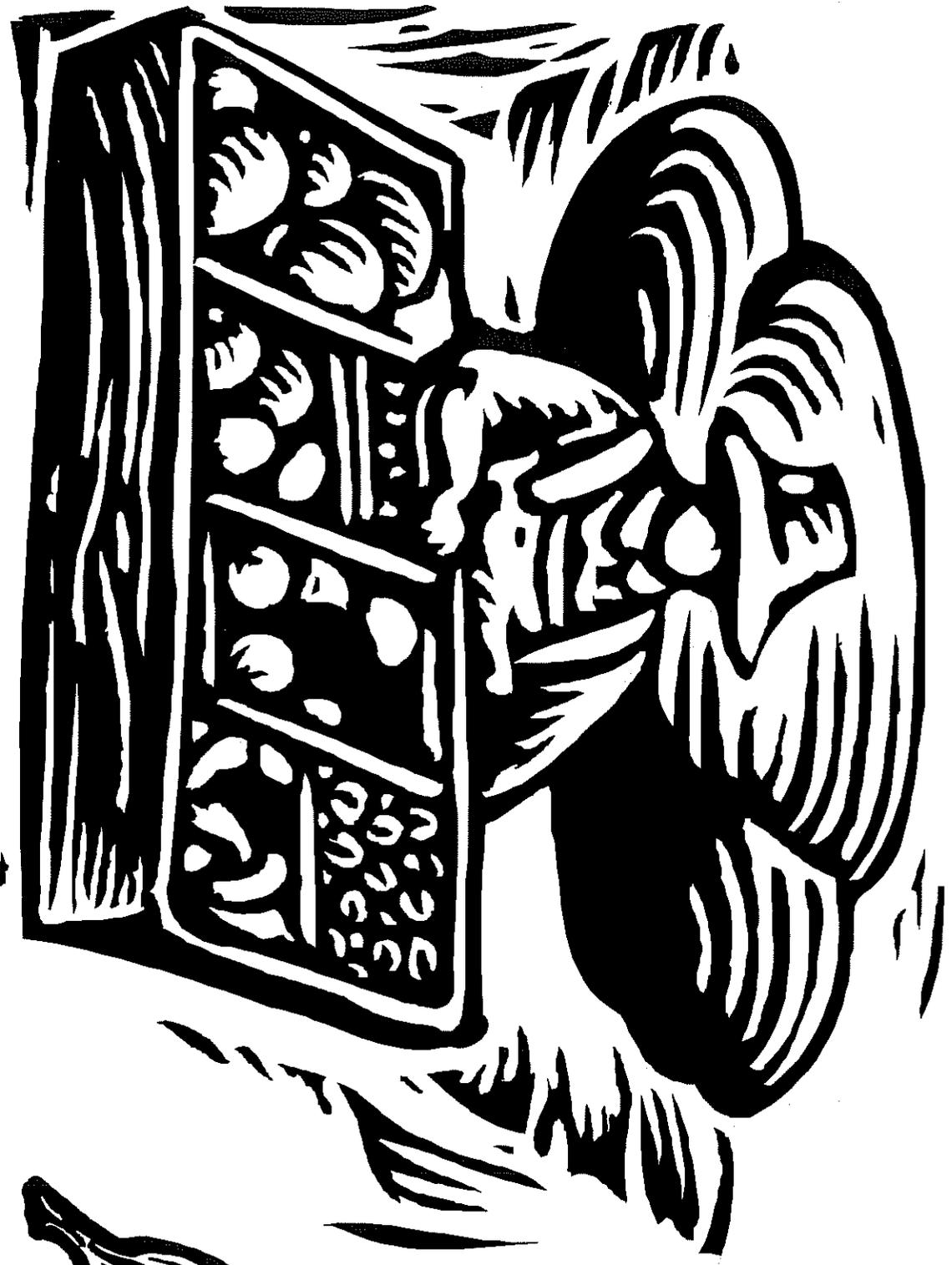


American farmers help grow the food  
that feeds the world



Farmers grow the ingredients for your favorite foods!

Farmers markets are great places  
to go and meet the farmers who  
grow your food



# Word Jumble

All these are U.S. crops!

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etltuec \_\_\_\_\_

nlmeo \_\_\_\_\_

eheces \_\_\_\_\_

perga \_\_\_\_\_

shirecre \_\_\_\_\_

ANSWERS: ORANGE; WHEAT; AVOCADO; LEMON; GRAPE; RICE; ARTICHOKES; LETTUCE; CHEESE; CHERRIES



# How many words can you make from the letters **AMERICAN AGRICULTURE?**

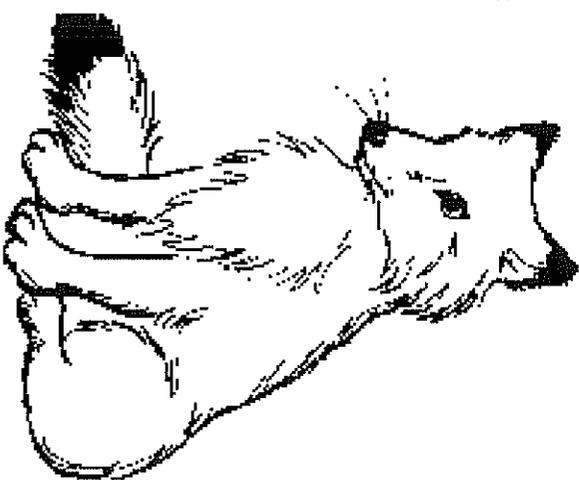
The first two are done for you, you do the rest!

GRIN

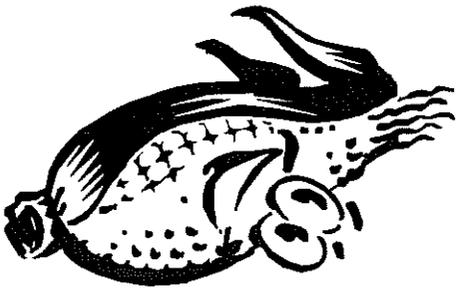
TURN




First color these pictures, then cut out them out to make a mobile!



Farms provide a home to many birds and animals

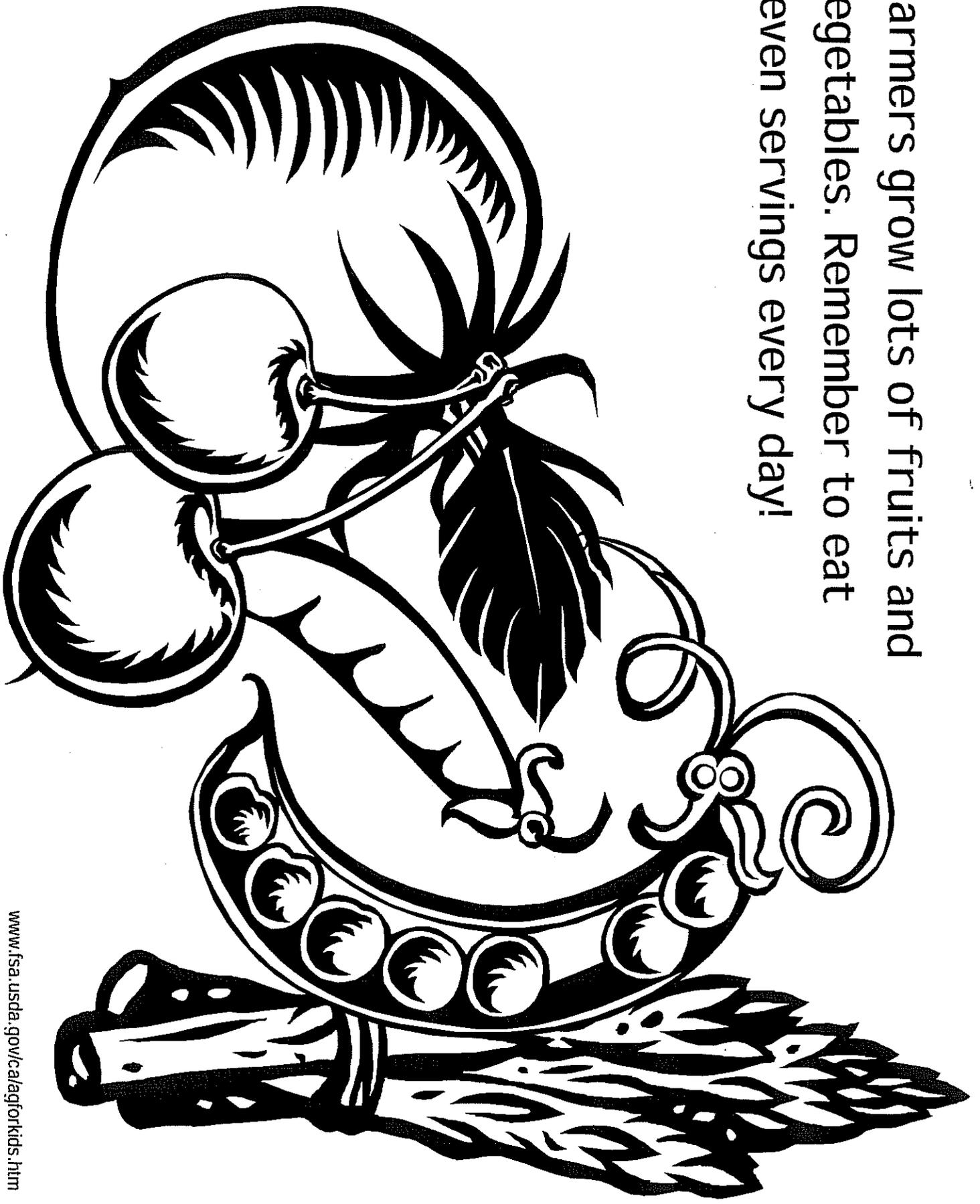


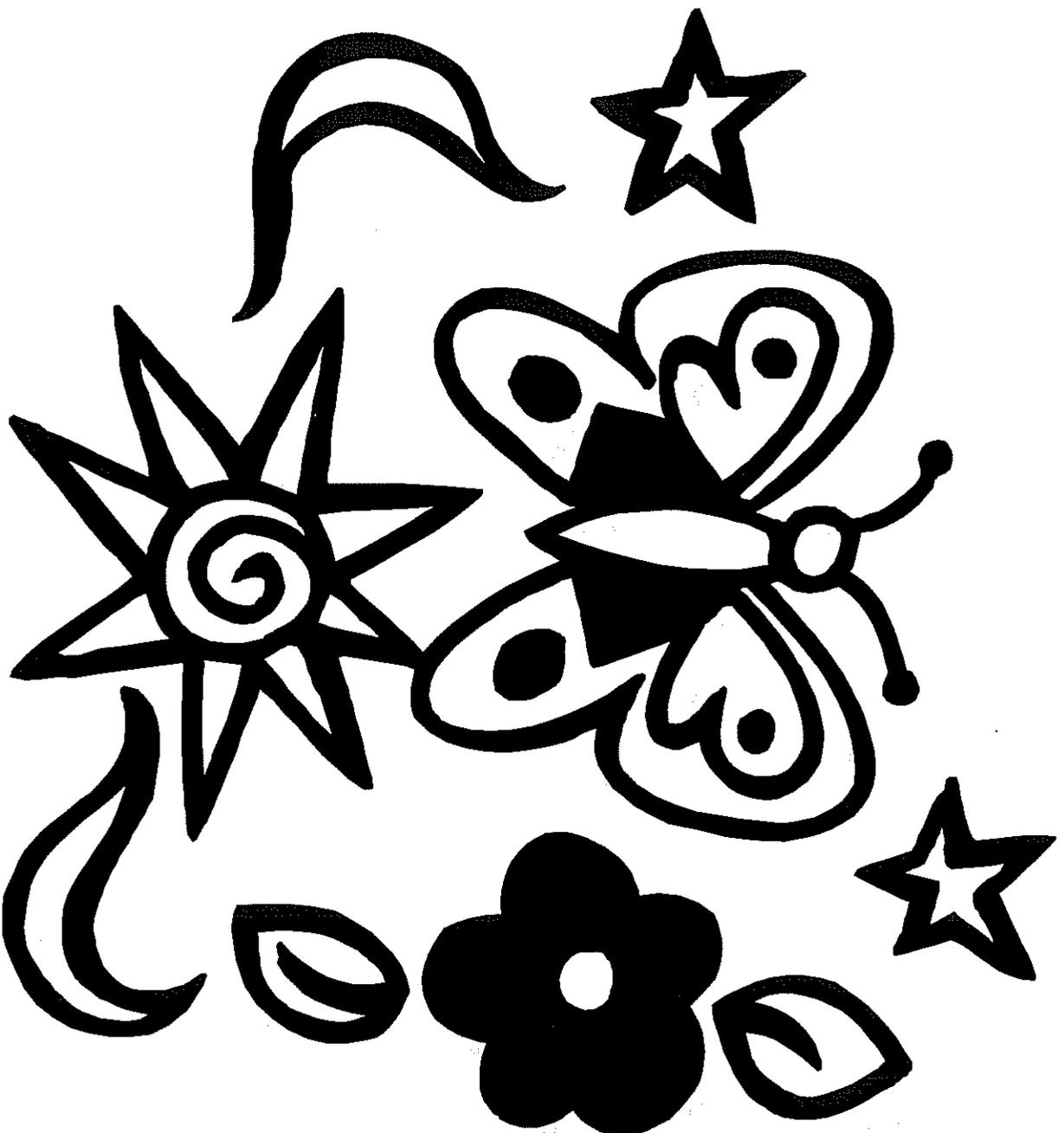
# Don't "grain" on my parade!

Can you find these words? straw, barley, corn, oats, mill, elevator, grain, bread, bran, wheat, silo, flax, soybean, sunflower, rye, chaff, hull, flour

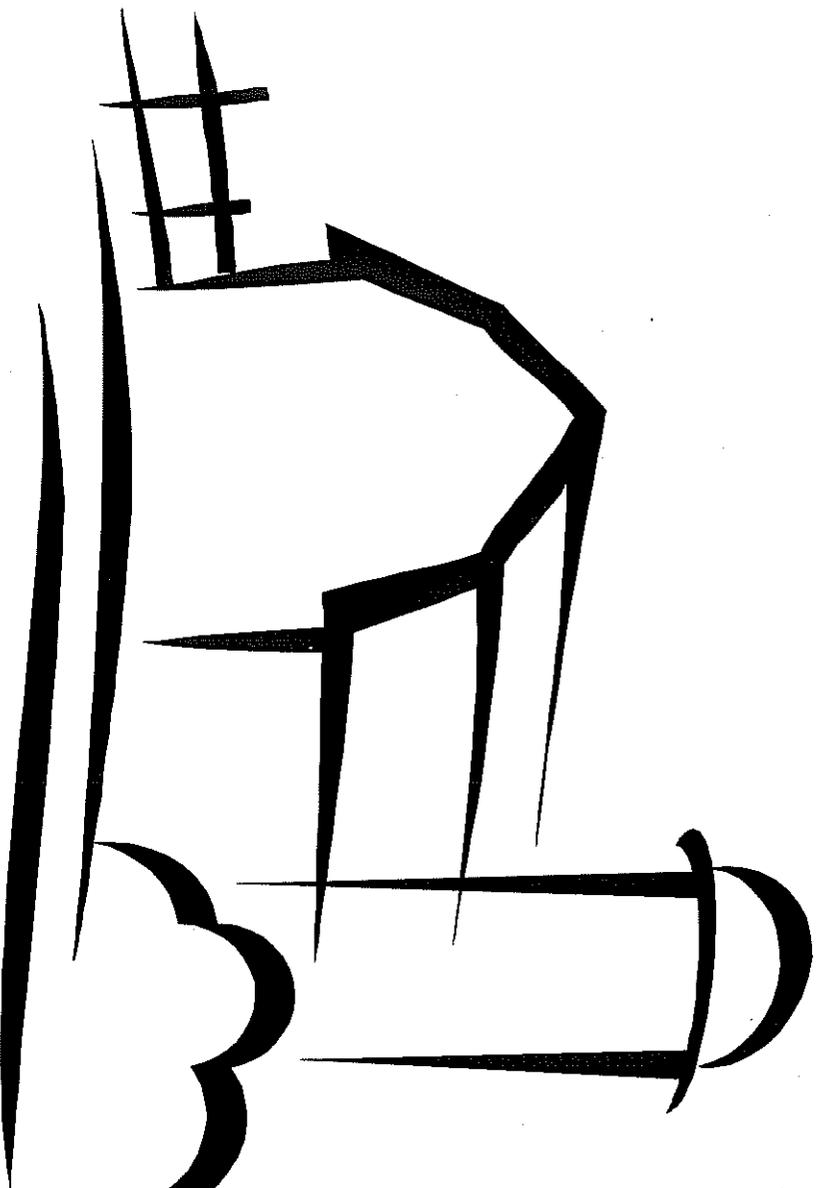
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Y R R T R T C R L E K E E  
B G G N S M H N O A O G Y  
E F L A X S A E W T I U O  
A M I G L W F F A B E B  
N I F R I E F T R E R L R  
E L F L O U R R P H E J A  
L L L I S U N F L O W A R N  
L B C R B G R A I N D M E  
E L E V A T O R R B R E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

Farmers grow lots of fruits and  
vegetables. Remember to eat  
seven servings every day!

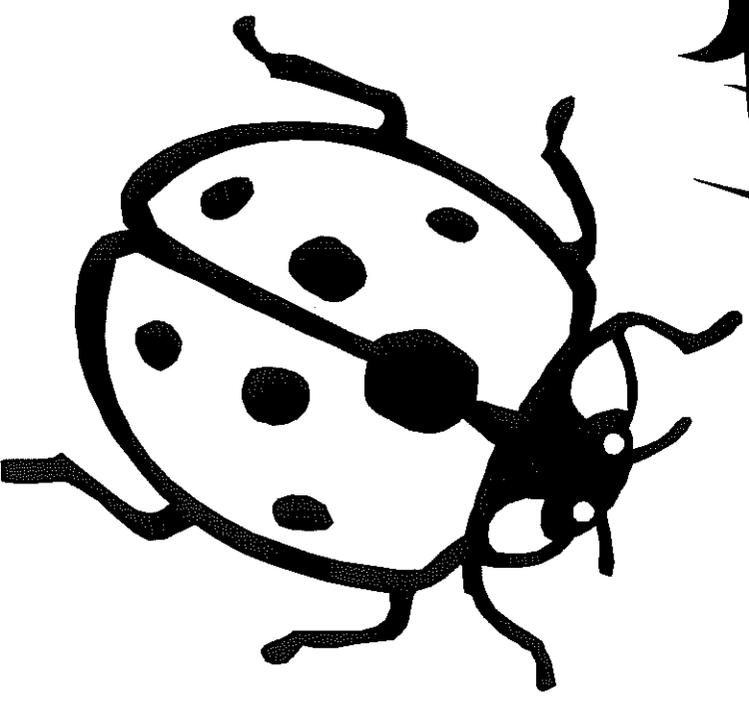
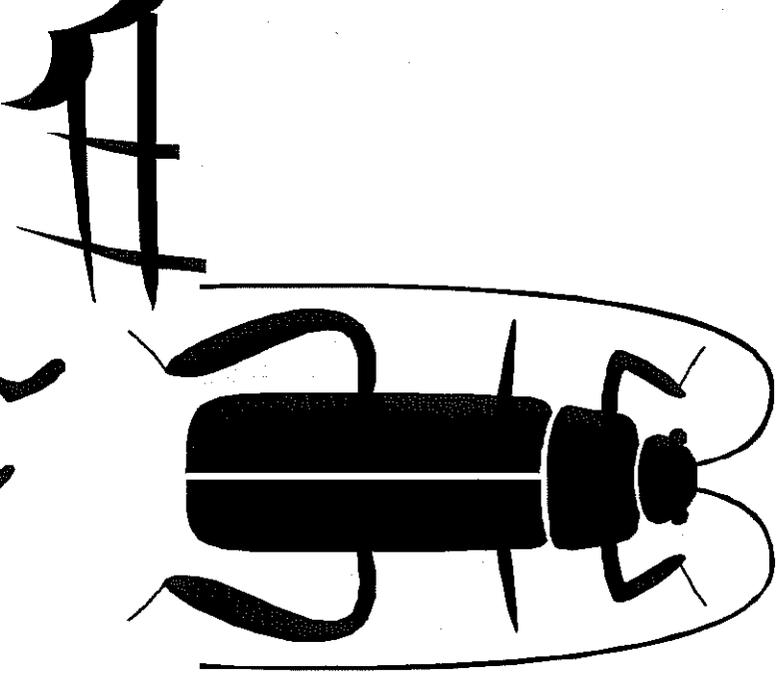




Thinking about spring? Farmers grow the flowers that make the season "spring" to life!



Some farmers use beneficial  
insects such as ladybugs and  
fireflies to control pests



The wizardry of agriculture!





In the west, some people raise cattle  
and are called ranchers

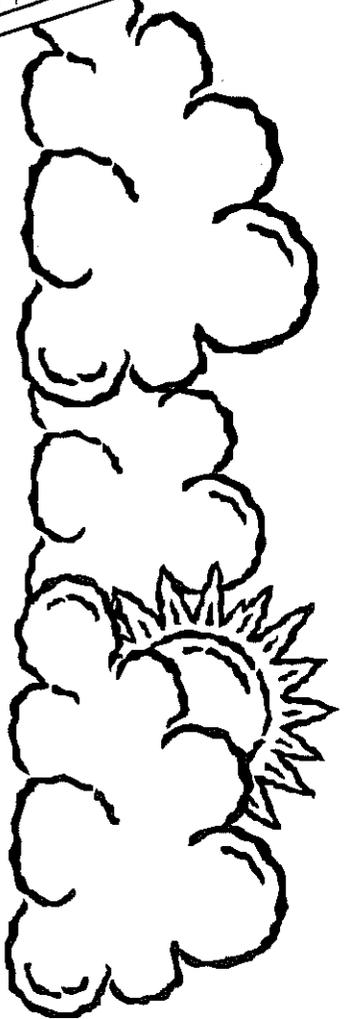




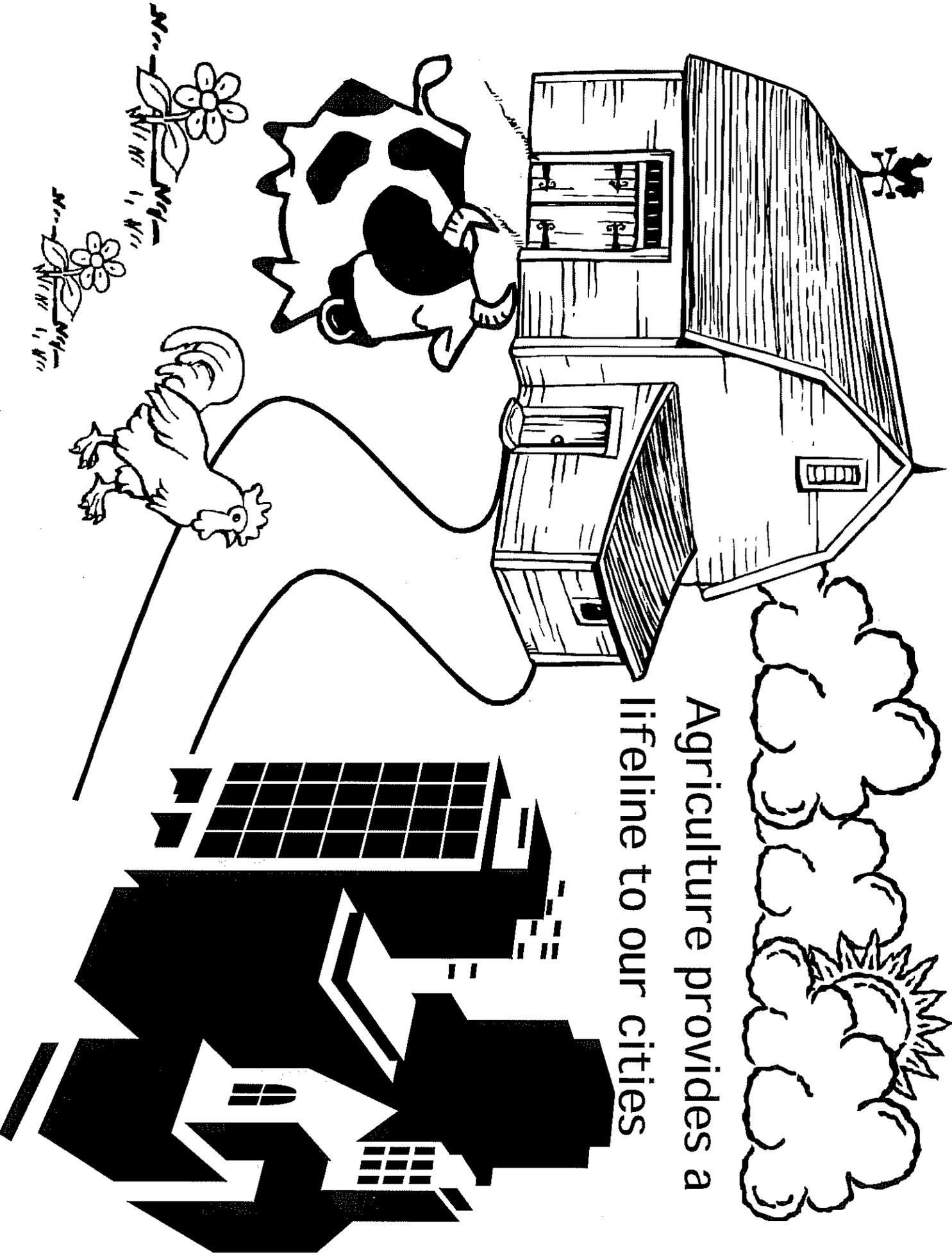
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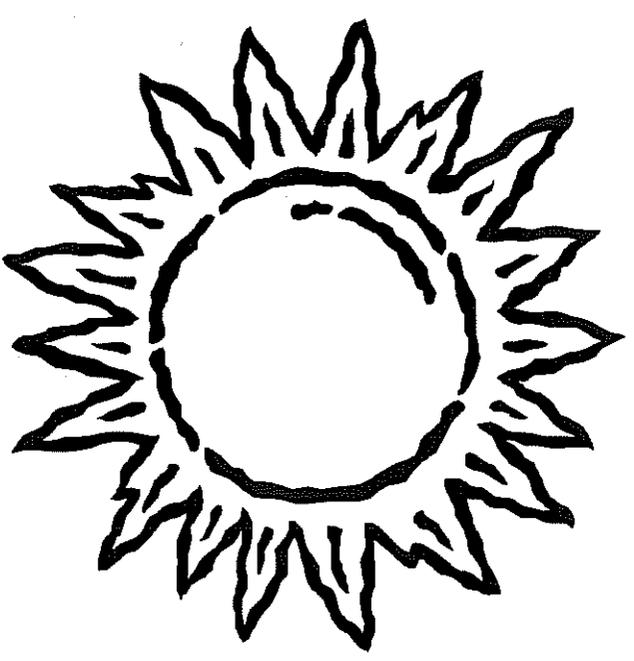
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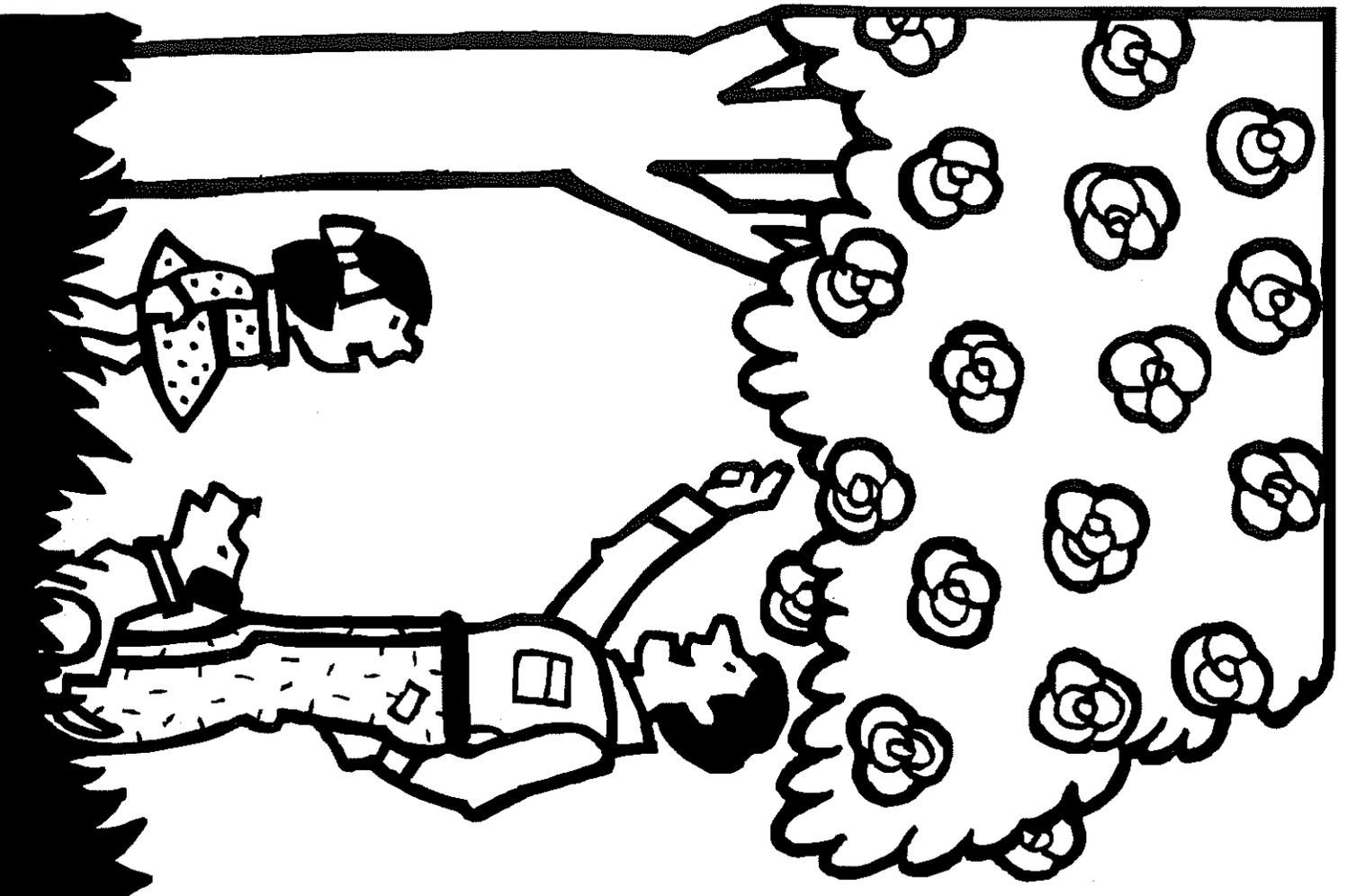


Agriculture provides a  
lifeline to our cities

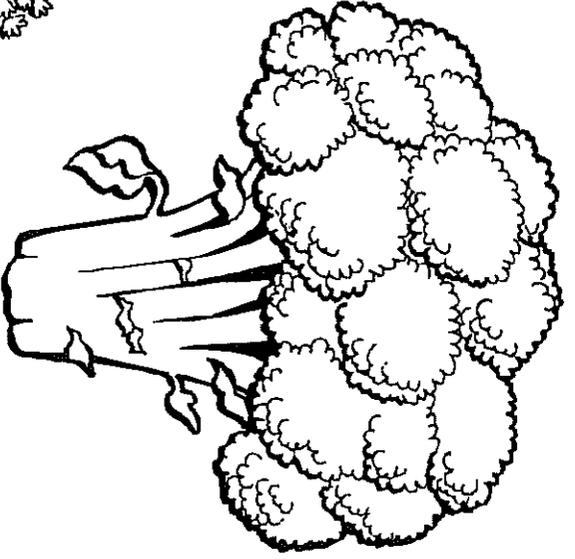
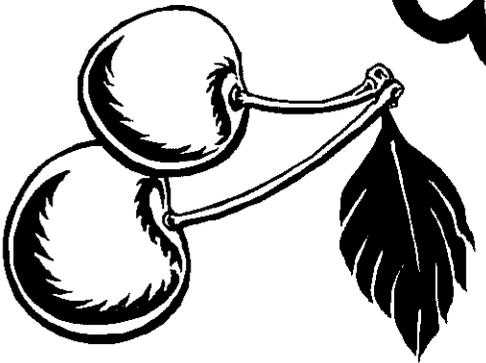
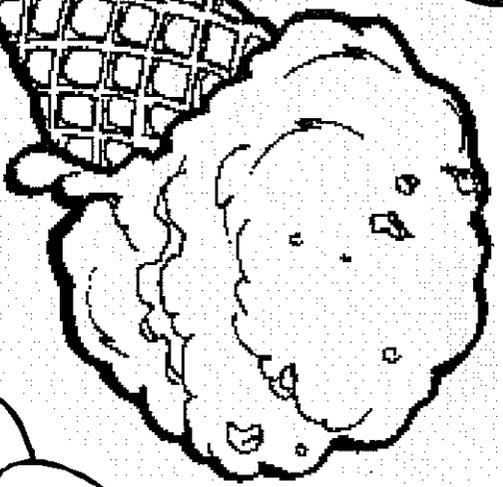
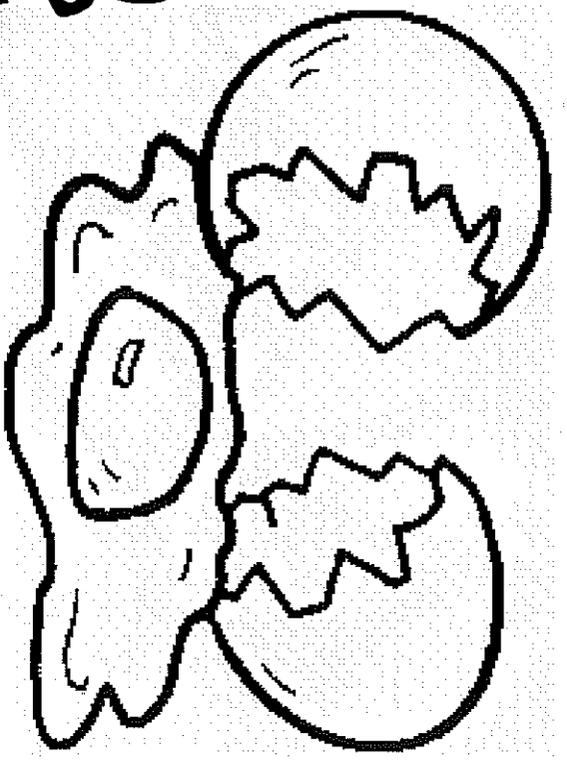
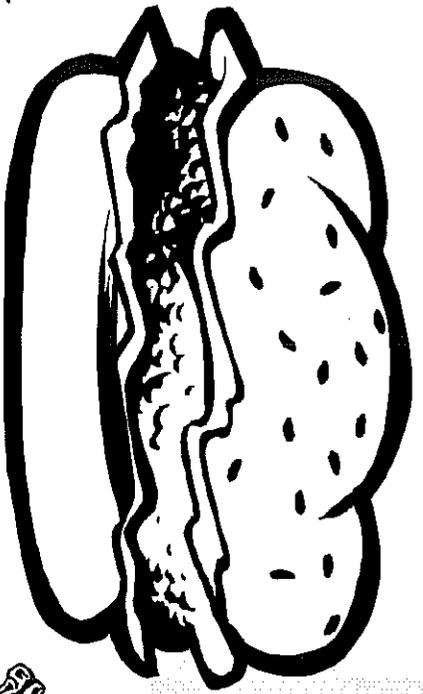
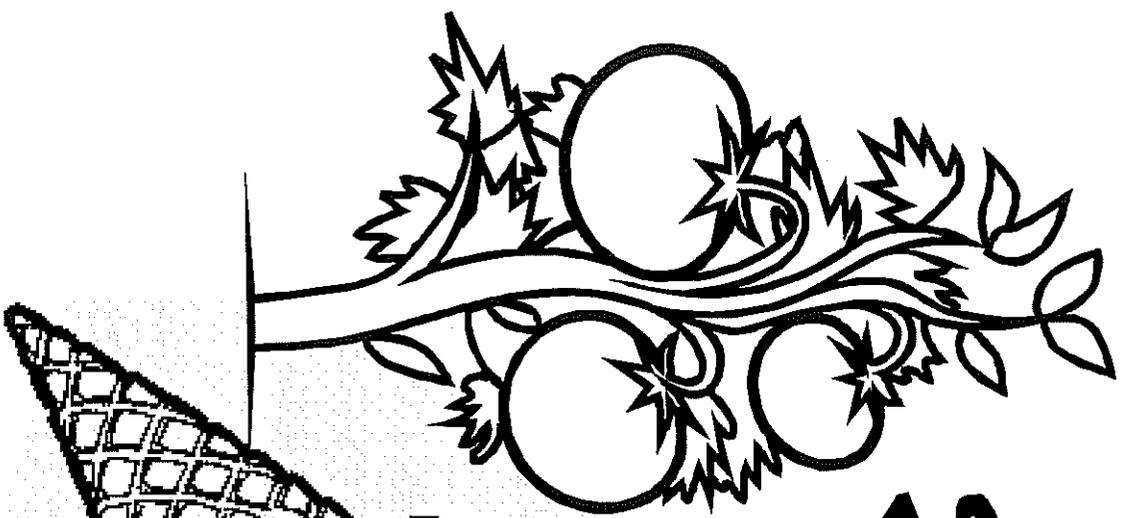




Some farmers run U-  
Pick operations where  
you can go and gather  
your own apples,  
peaches or other fruit



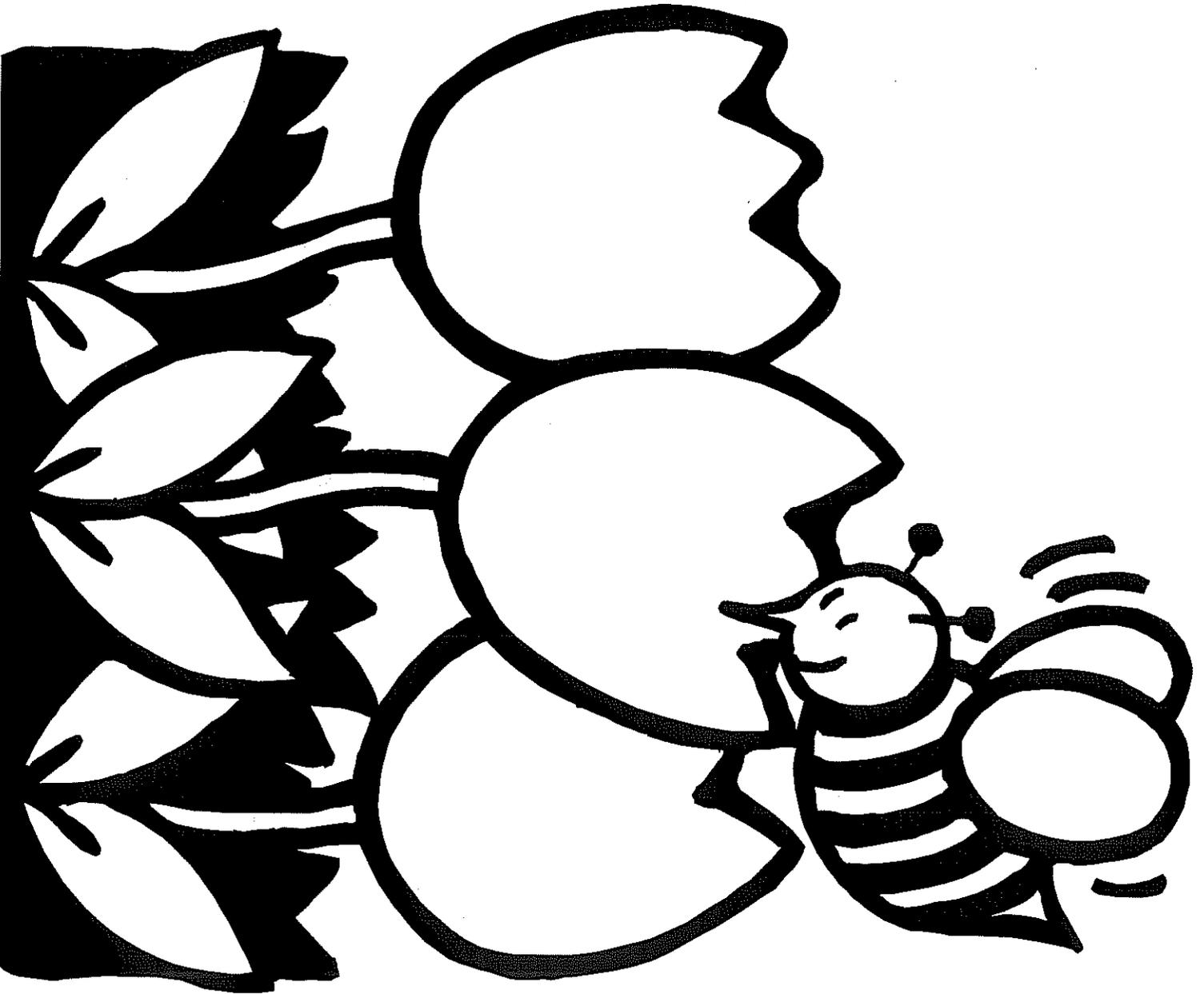
Find all the foods that come  
from animals and color them  
first



## Honey facts

*Did you know...*

- there are more than 200,000 beekeepers in the United States.
- it takes more than 2 million flowers to make each pound of honey.
- honey bees fly more than 15 miles an hour!
- each honey bee visits between 50 and 100 flowers during one collection trip.



# Word Jumble

All these are U.S. crops!

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ANSWERS: DATE; OLIVE; FIG; BEAN; PEAR; CORN; PECAN; PLUM; DATE; WOOL

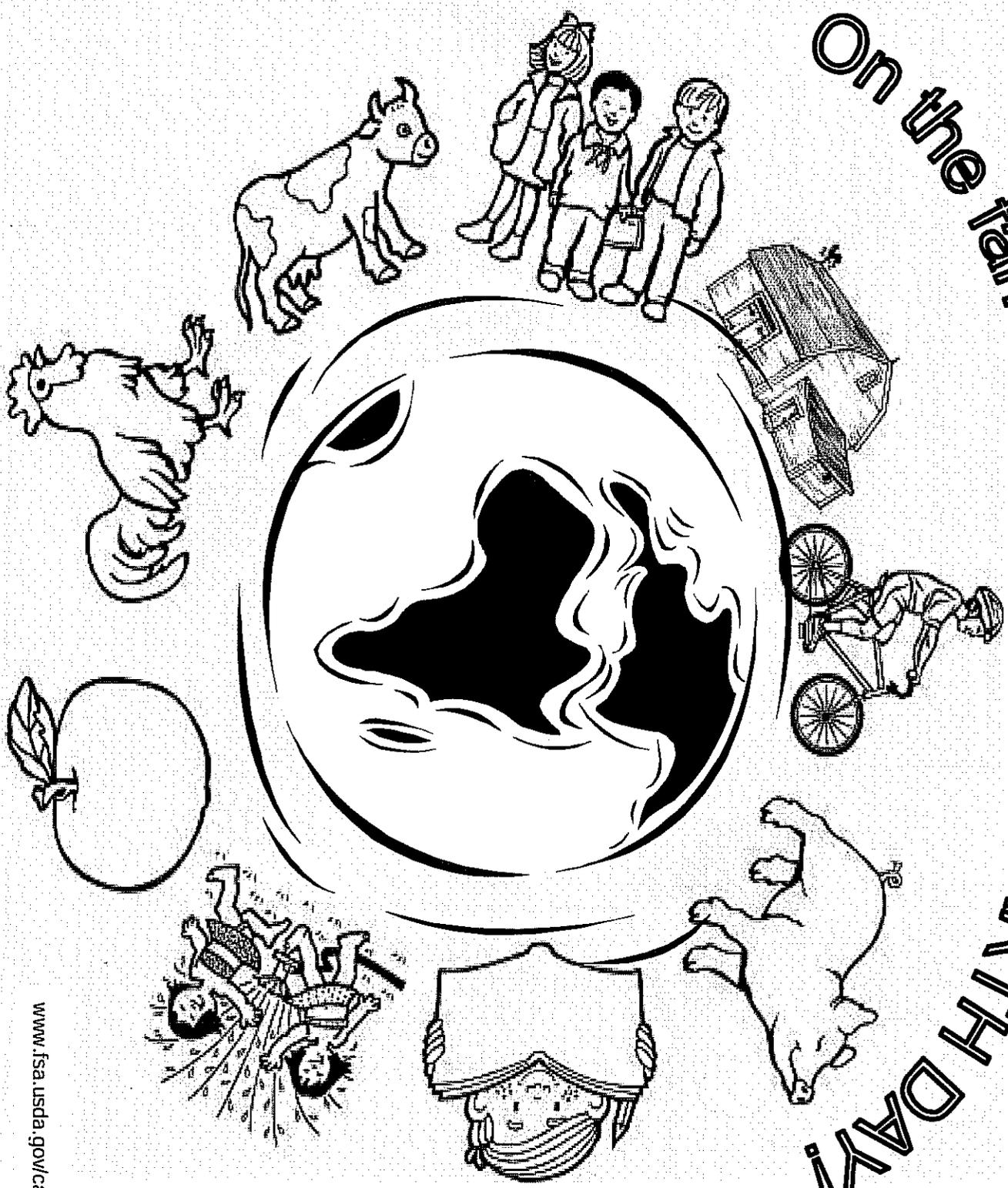


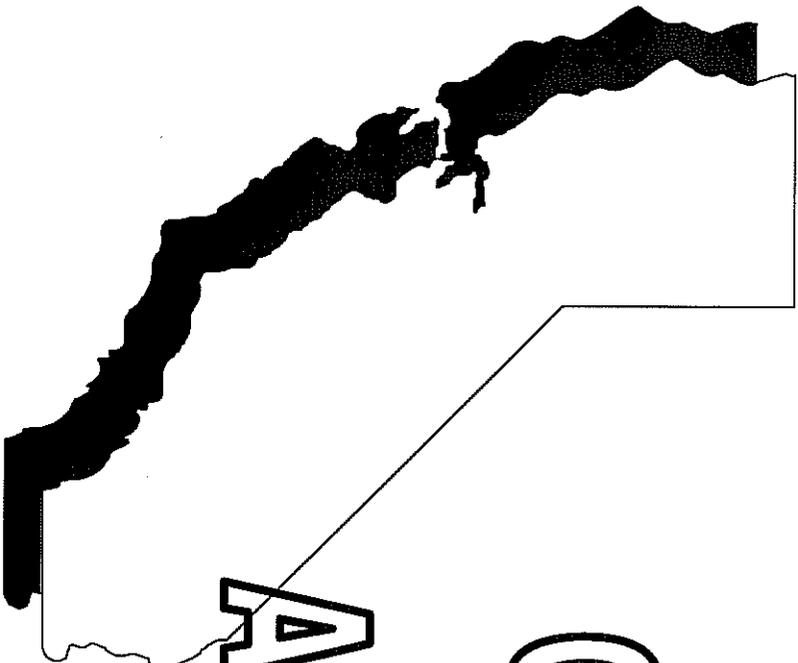
## Can you find these crops?

cow, chicken, hen, eggs, sheep, hog, calf, milk, pig, honey, emu

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

On the farm, every day is EARTH DAY!





# California

# Agriculture

## Quick Facts about California Agriculture:

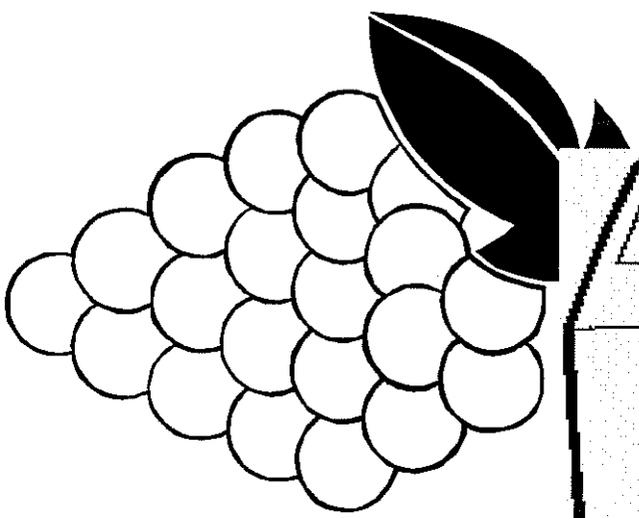
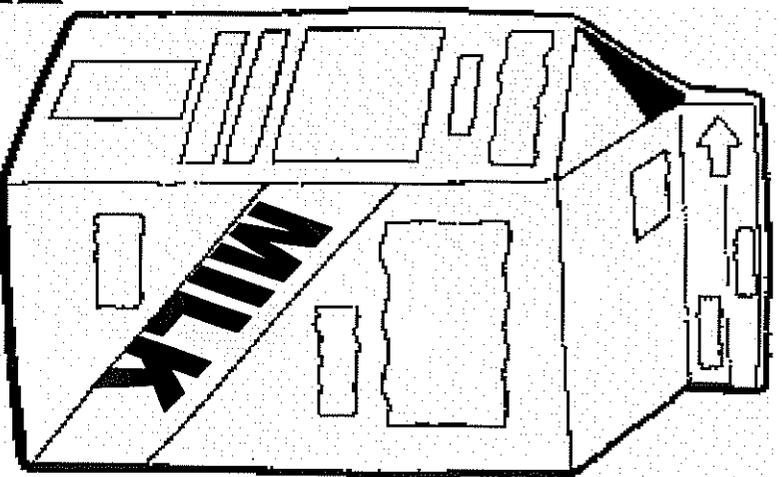
For more than 50 years in a row, California has been the # 1 food and agriculture producer in the US.

California is the number one dairy state in the nation.

Grapes are the state's second most valuable crop after milk & cream.

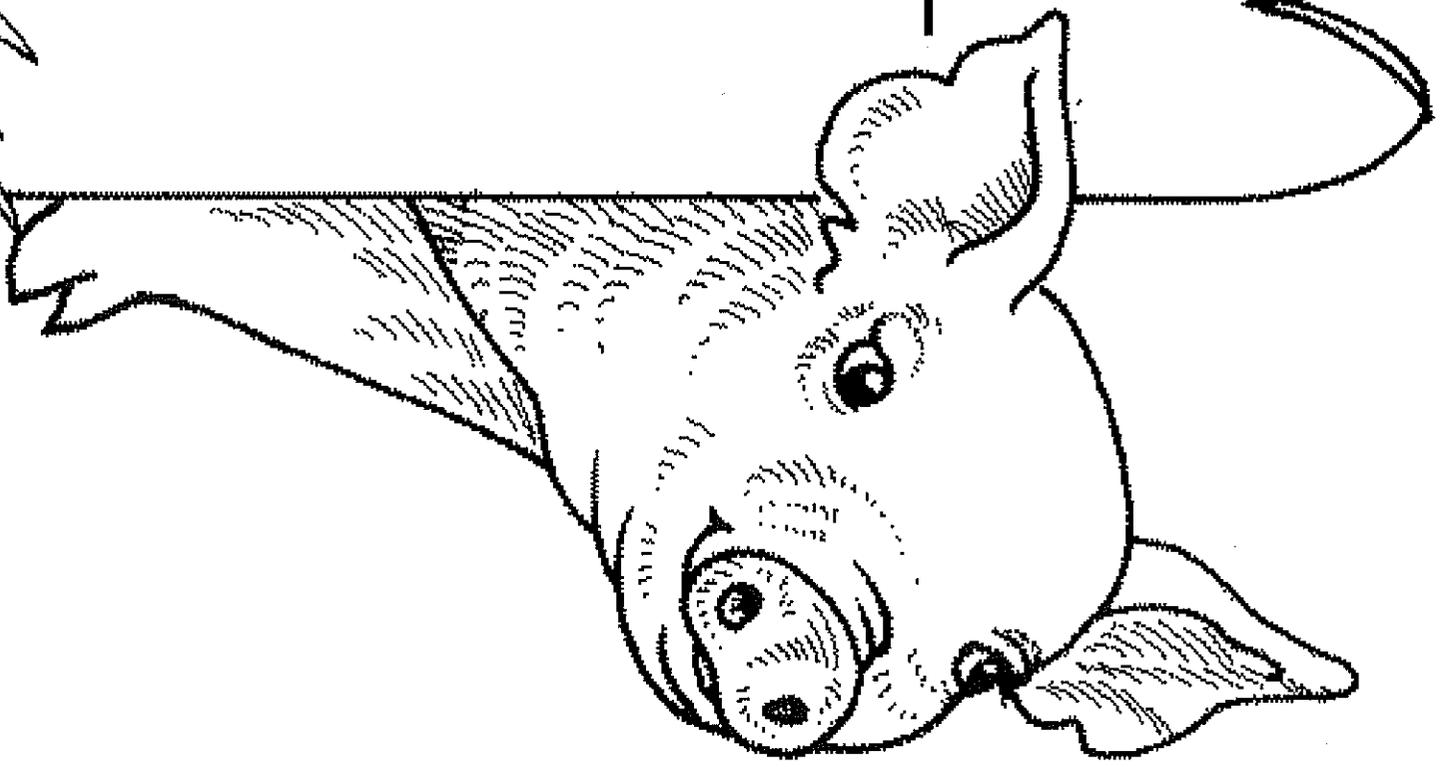
California has about 89,000 farms.

More than 350 different crops are grown in the state.

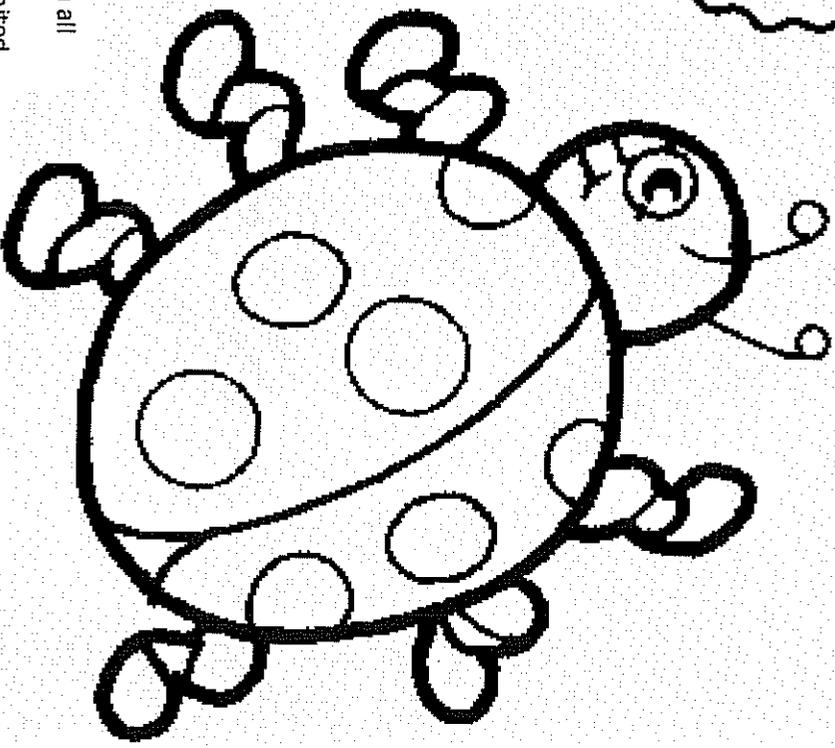
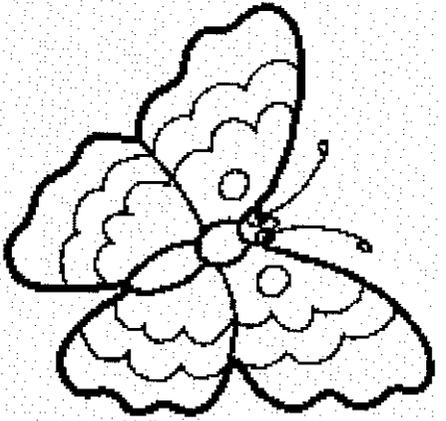
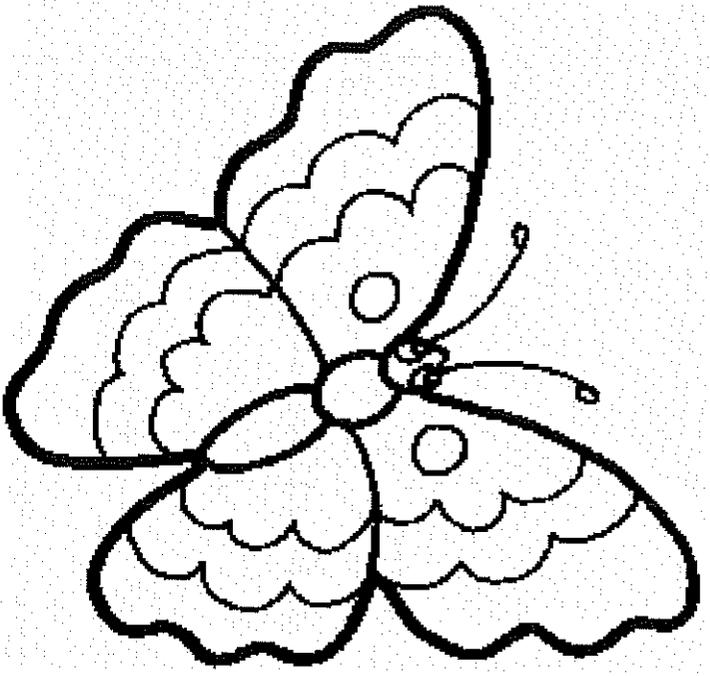


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