Beginning Sound Cards

To prepare the activity: Cut the picture and letter cards apart. Stack each group of pictures with the corresponding beginning letter card. Store each set in a labeled envelope. Store the envelopes in alphabetical order in a box.

Set up: Choose several sets of cards. Be sure to select beginning letter sounds that have been taught. Start with only two sets. When students develop confidence, work with three sets, then four. Line up the letter cards vertically on the left side of a table, or in an extra wide pocket chart. Shuffle the picture cards and place them in a stack face down.

To do the activity: Students pick one picture card at a time, name the picture, listen for the beginning sound, and place the picture to the right of the correct letter. This will build rows of pictures starting with the same sound. Students like to comment about which letter is "winning," in other words, which row has the most cards. Be sure to tell students the names of any unfamiliar pictures.

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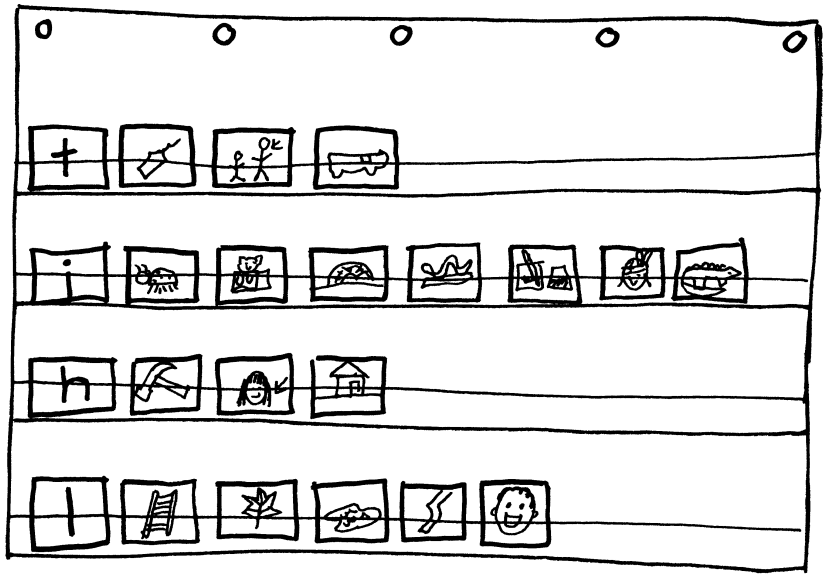

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Picture names:

a - ant, attic, anchor, alligator, astronaut, ankle, apple
b-book, ball, bed, bus, boat, bird, boy
c- cat, car, cup, cow, castle, cap, carrot
d - dinosaur, door, duck, doll, dog, dish, dollar
e - egg, Eskimo, escalator, elevator, elephant, elf, edge
f - fan, feet, fork, fish, fire, food, farm
g - gum, gas, gate, goat, garage, gold, girl
h - hat, horse, hose, house, hair, hammer, hawk
i - in, igloo, ink, iguana, Indian, insect, inchworm
j - jet, jam, jeep, jump, jacket, Jack-in-the-box, jeans
k - kick, kangaroo, kite, kiss, key, king, kitten
l - leg, leaf, ladder, lamb, lake, little, laugh
m - mop, mouse, moon, milk, moth, me, mask

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Picture names:

n - nut, nest, nose, nurse, net, nickel, nap
o - ox, olive, ostrich, octopus, opposite, octagon, off
p - pig, pie, pocket, paint, purse, pool, push
qu - quilt, queen, quail, quack, quarrel, quiz, quill
r - run, rocket, rabbit, rain, ring, rope, rose
s - sun, sock, seal, sing, soup, sail, sad
t - tag, tulip, tent, tub, tail, tea, tall
u - up, umbrella, under, umpire, udder, us, unhappy
v - van, volcano, violin, vest, volleyball, valley, veil
w - web, wig, worm, wagon, wasp, wind, wink
x - (ending sounds) box, fix, ax, tux, fox, mix, six
y - yo-yo, yak, year, yarn, yawn, yard, yolk
z - zigzag, zipper, zebra, zero, zoo, zucchini, zoom

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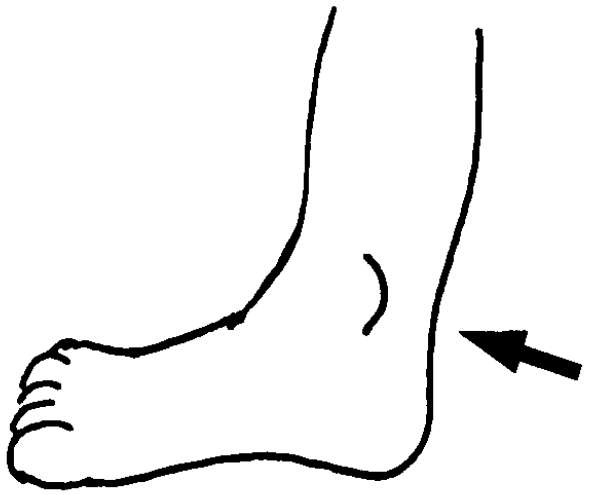

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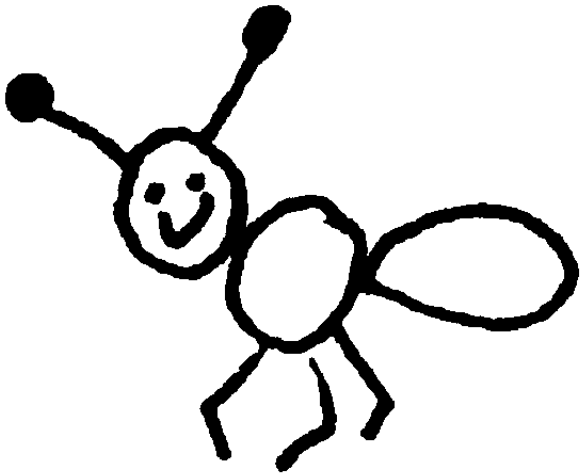

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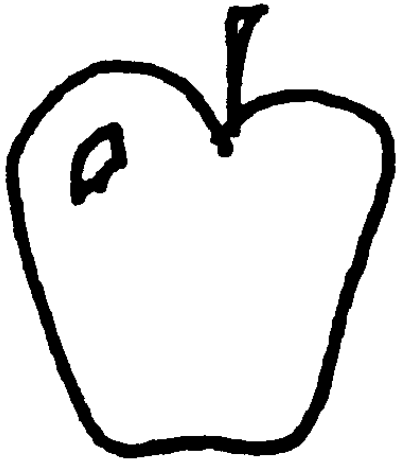

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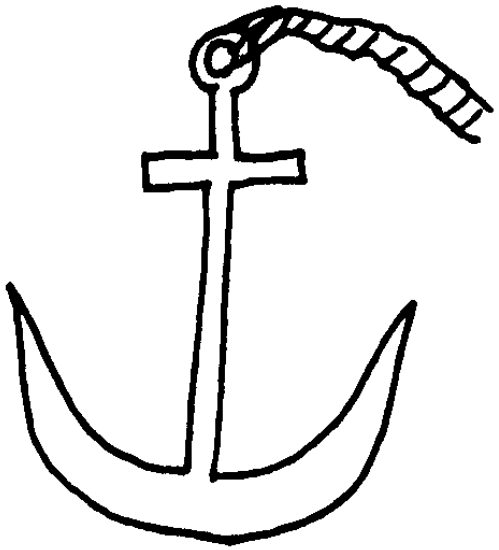

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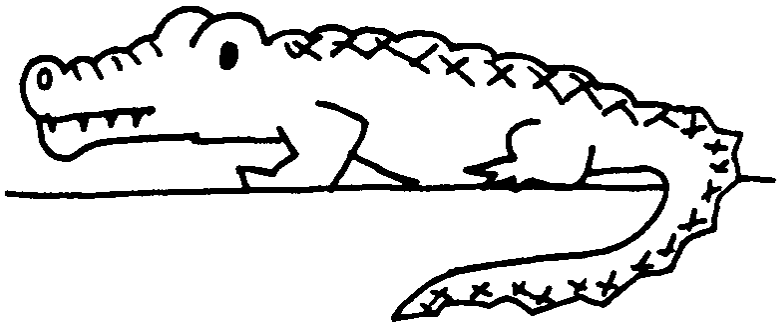

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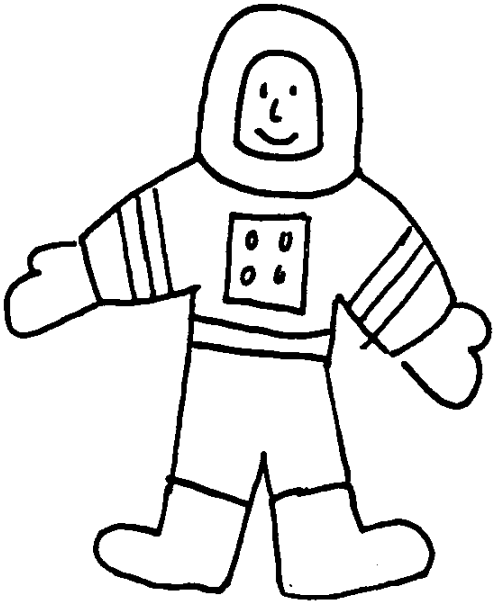

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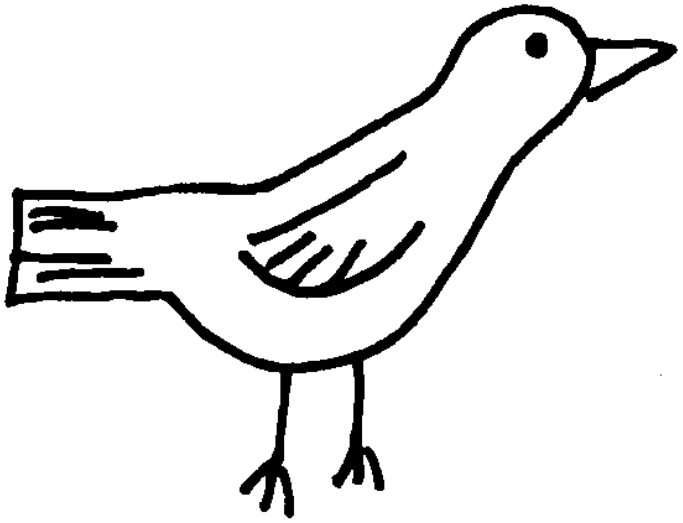

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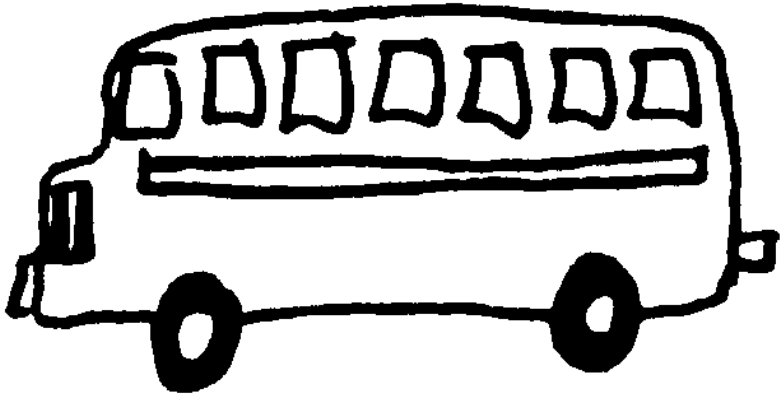

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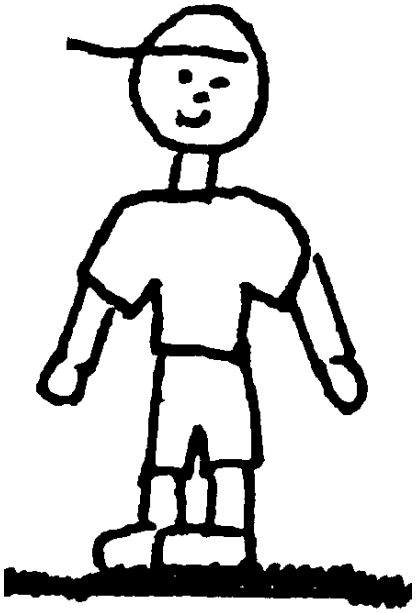

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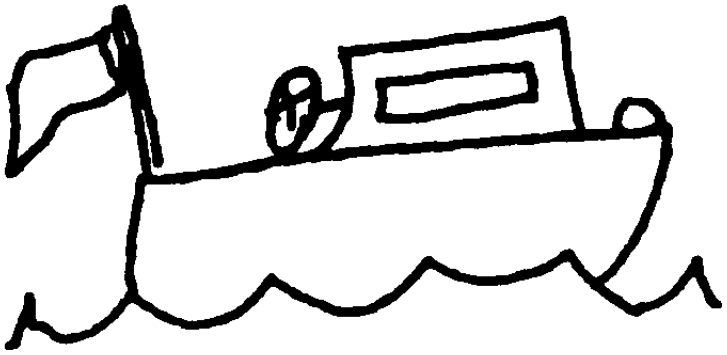

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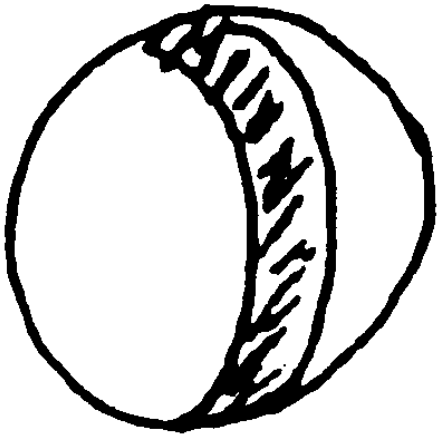

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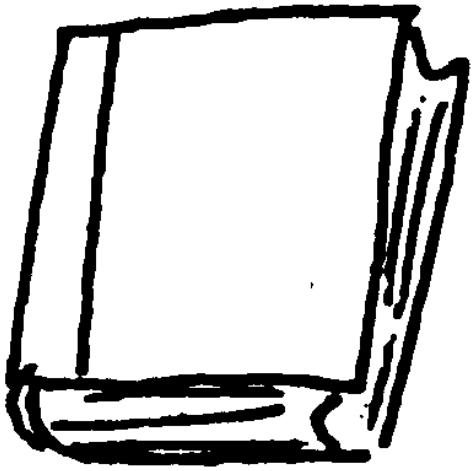

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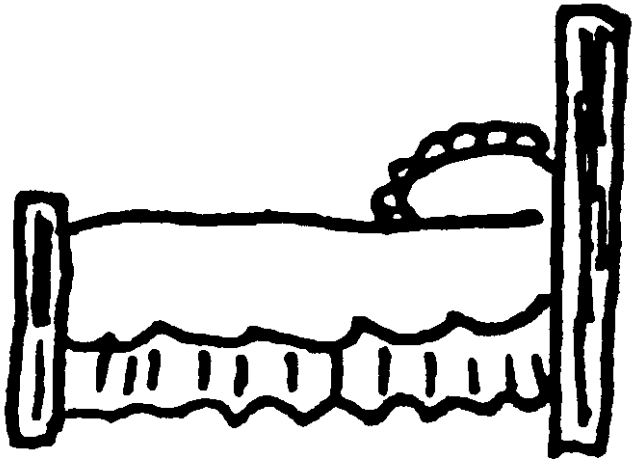

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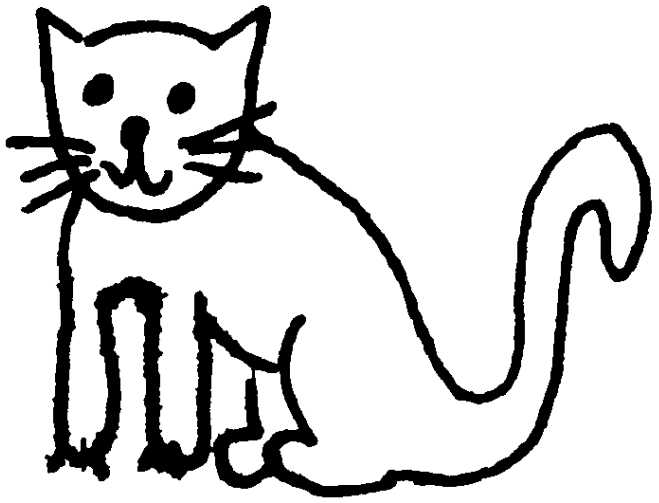

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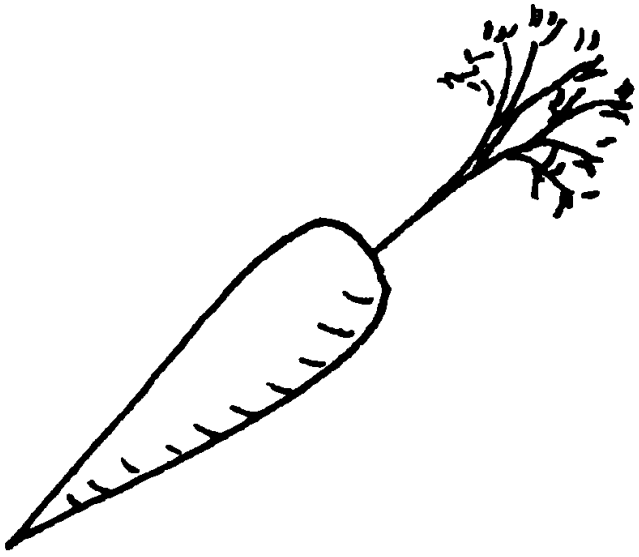

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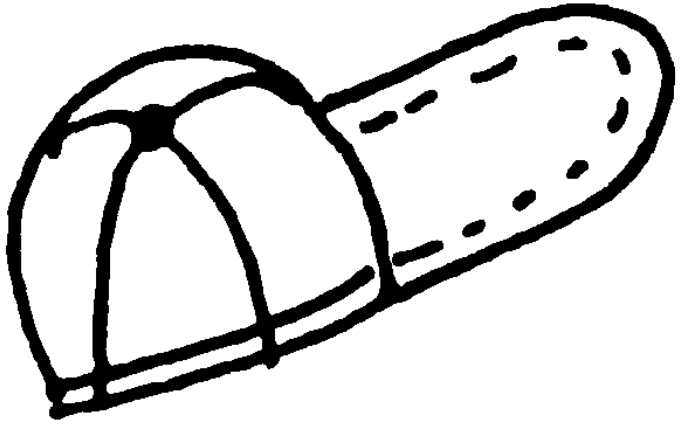

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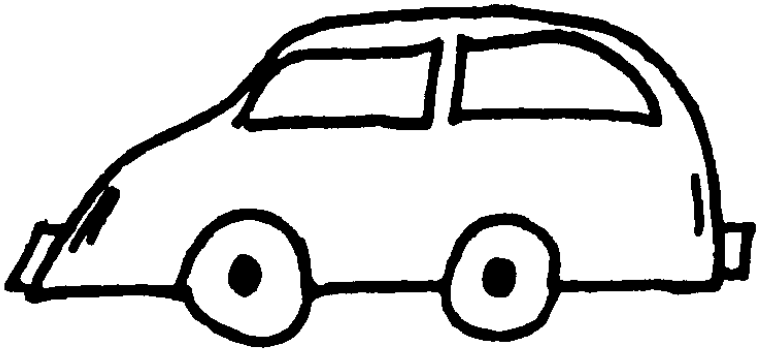

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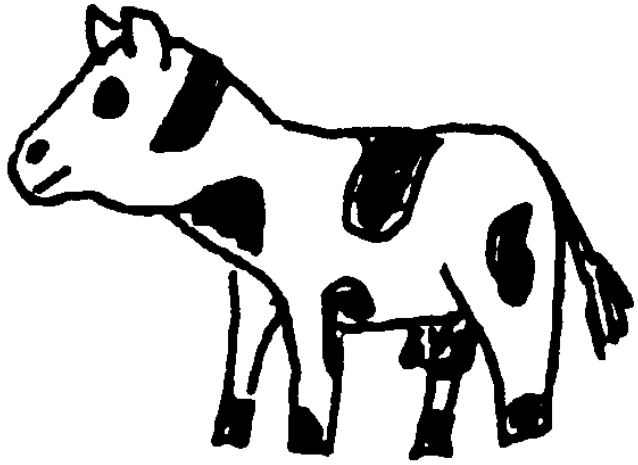

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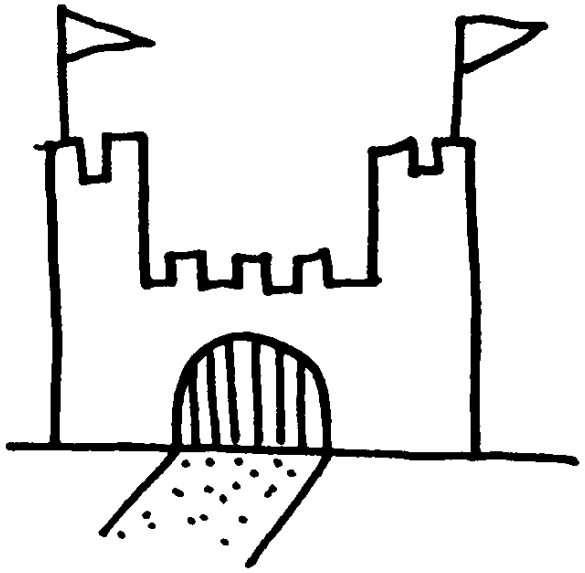

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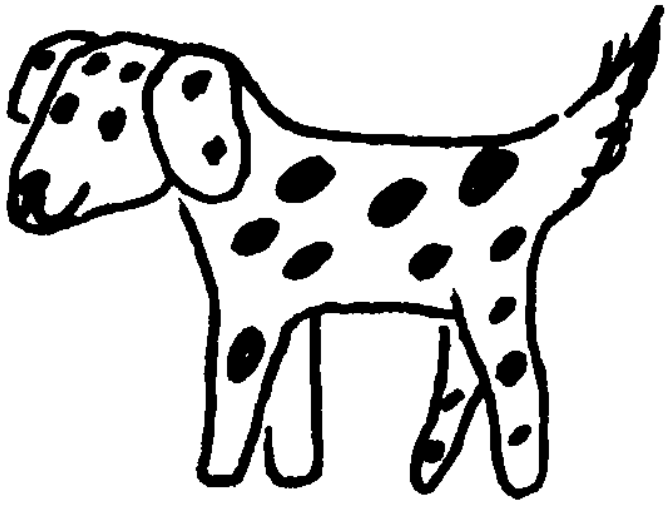

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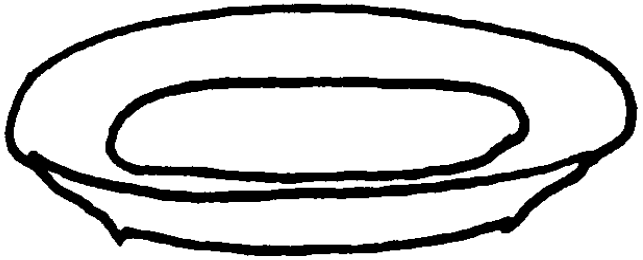

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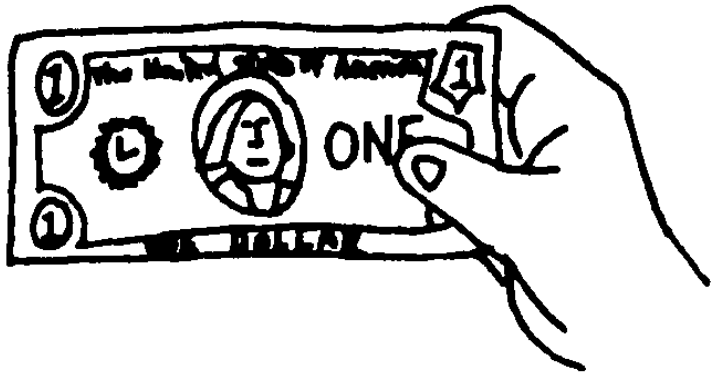

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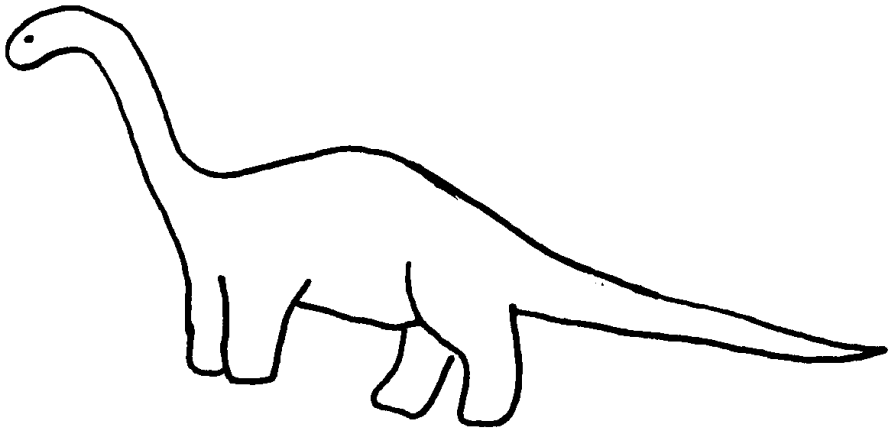

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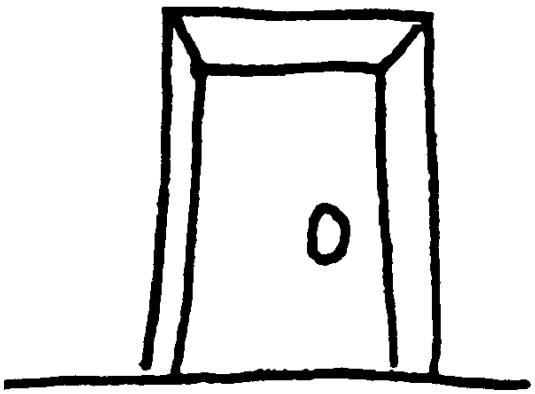

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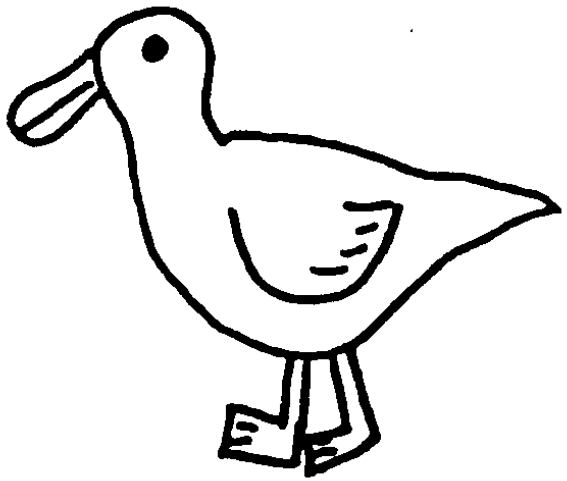

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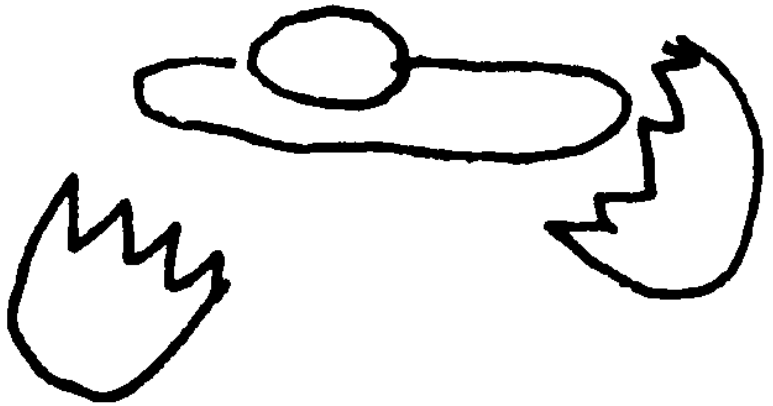

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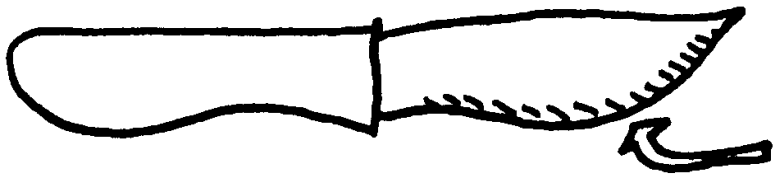

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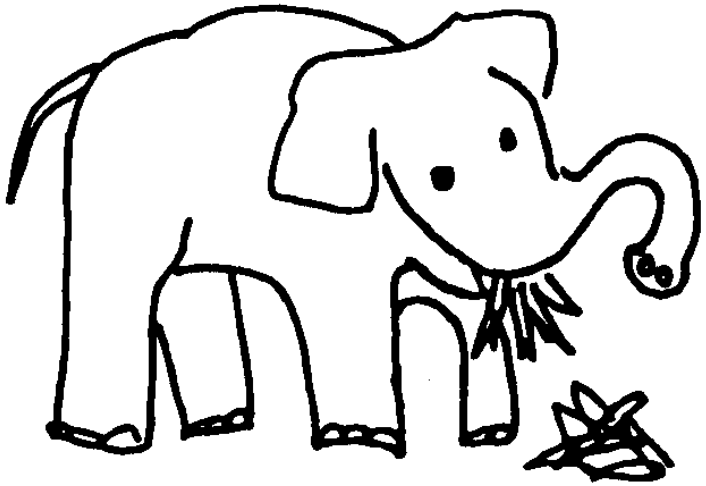

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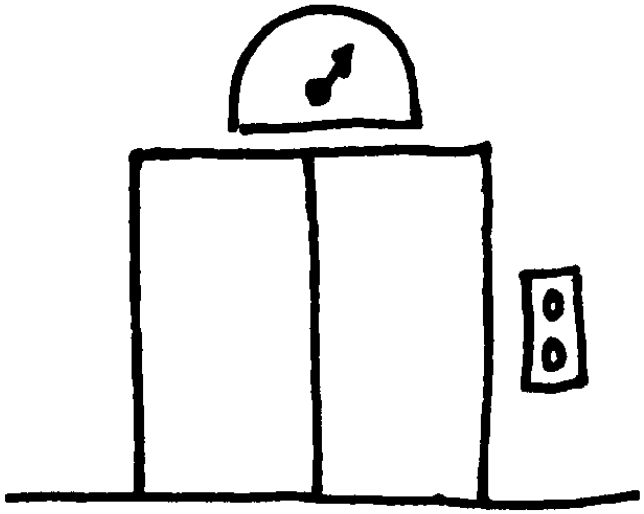

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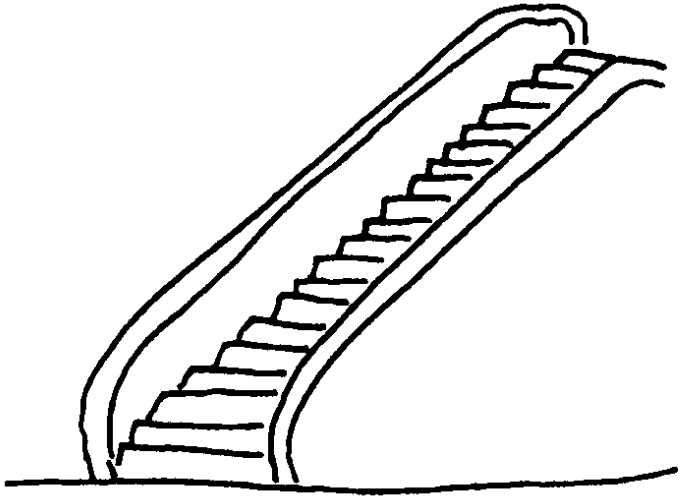

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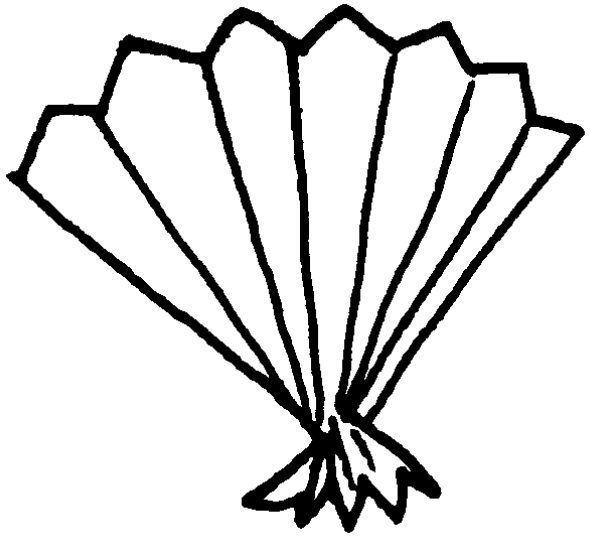

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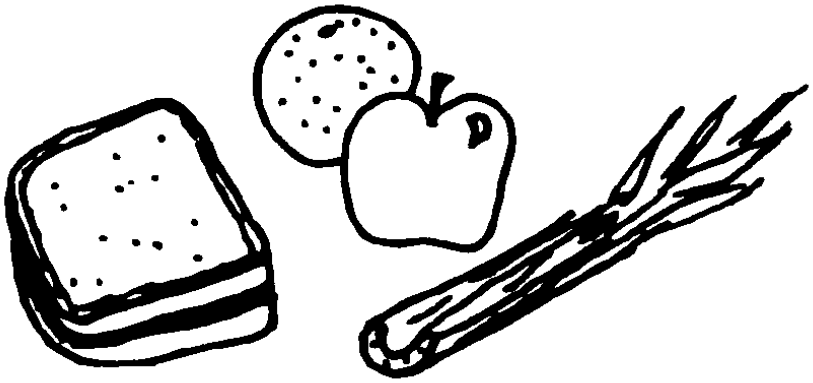

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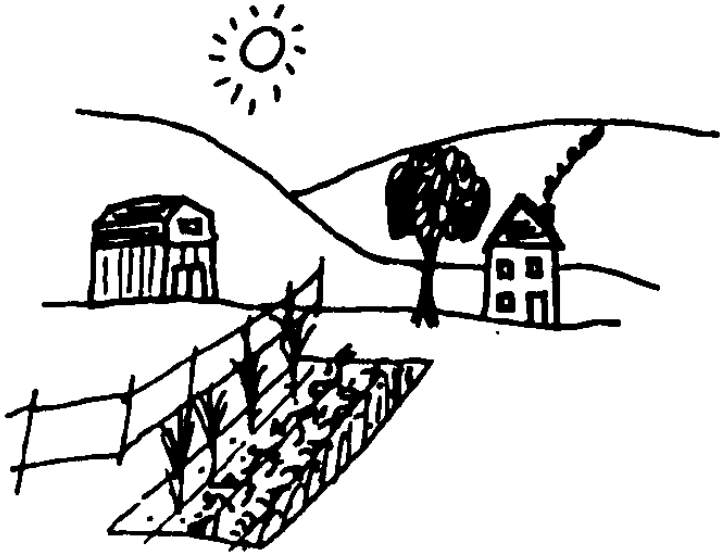

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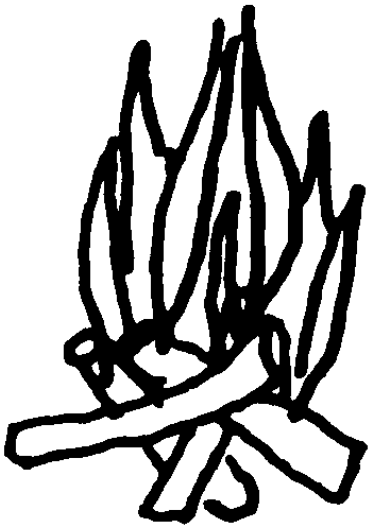

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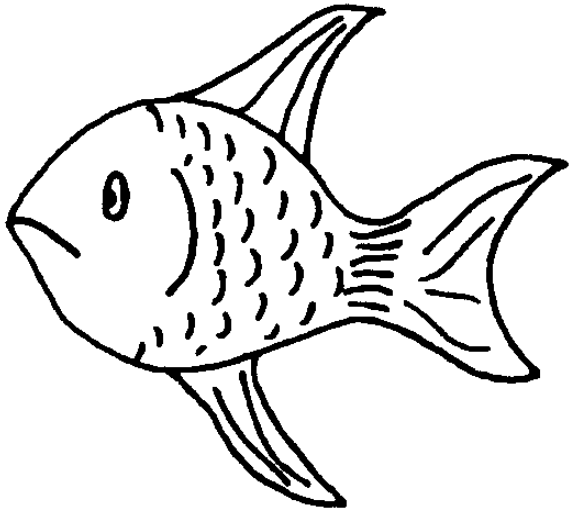

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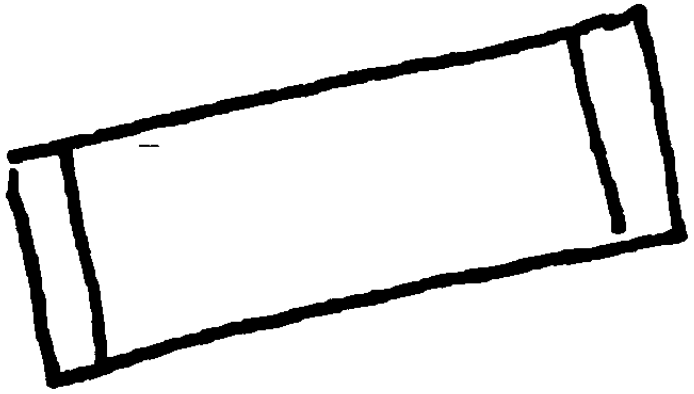

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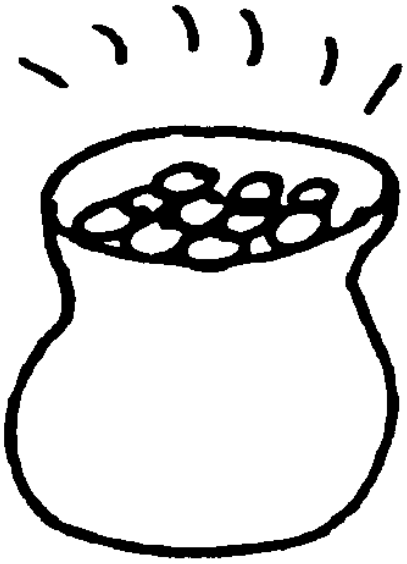

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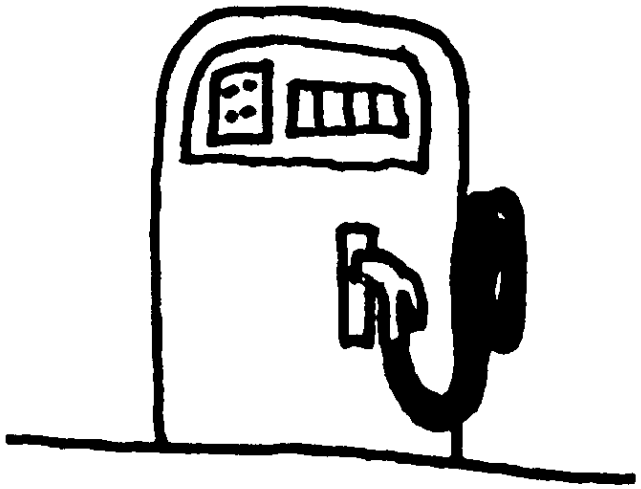

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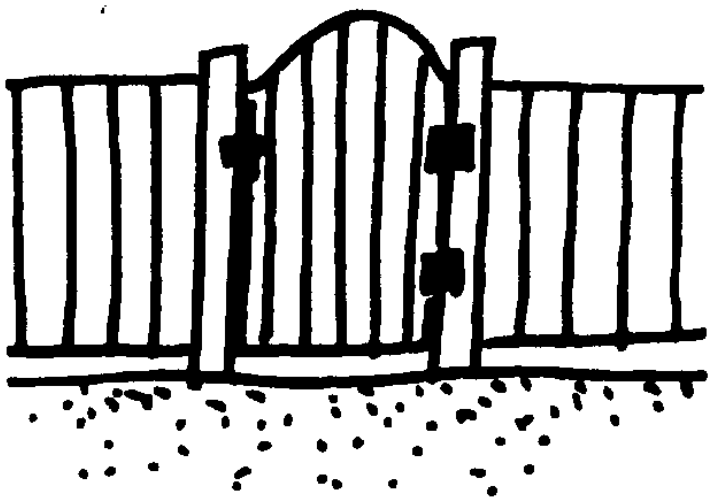

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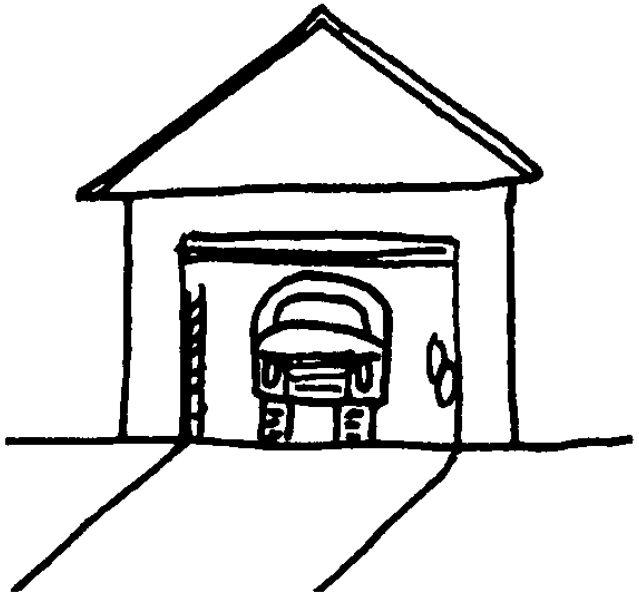

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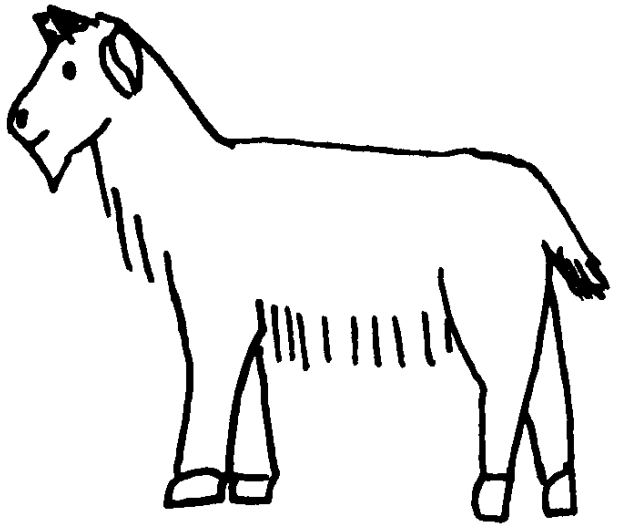

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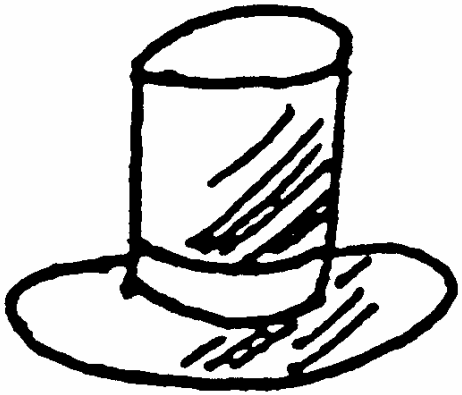

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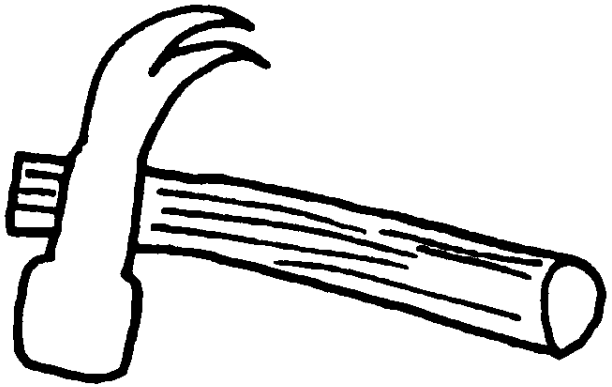

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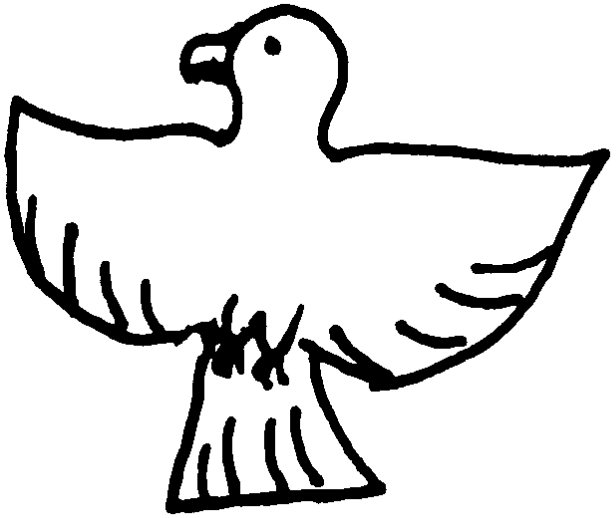

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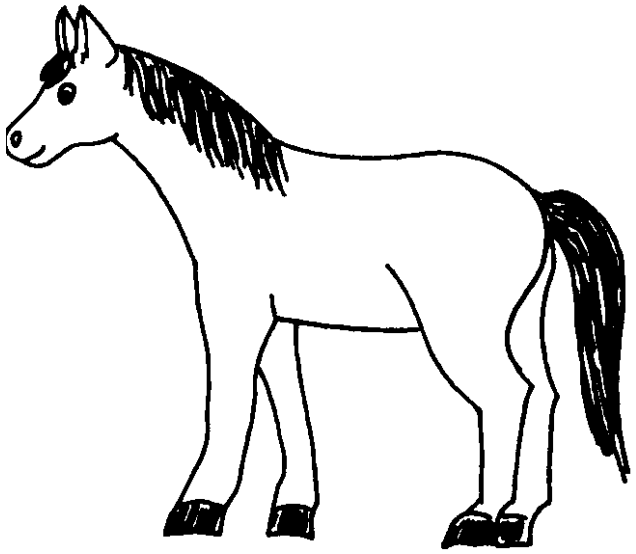

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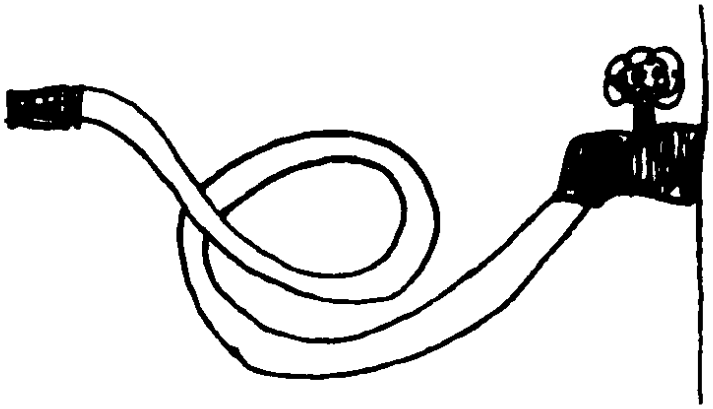

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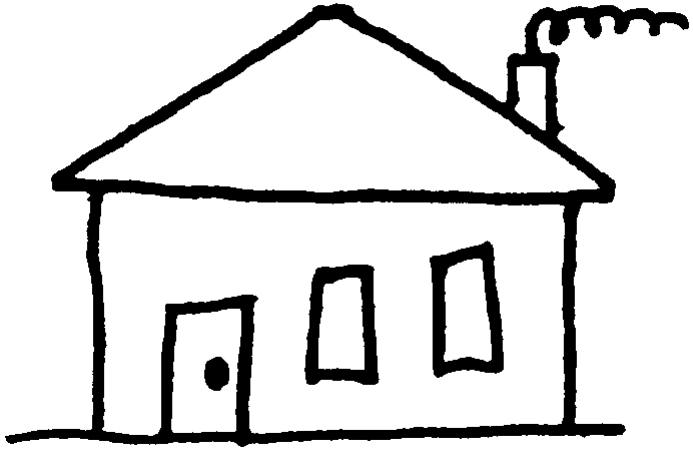

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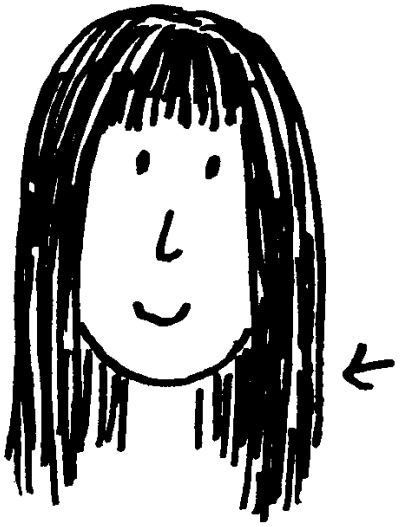

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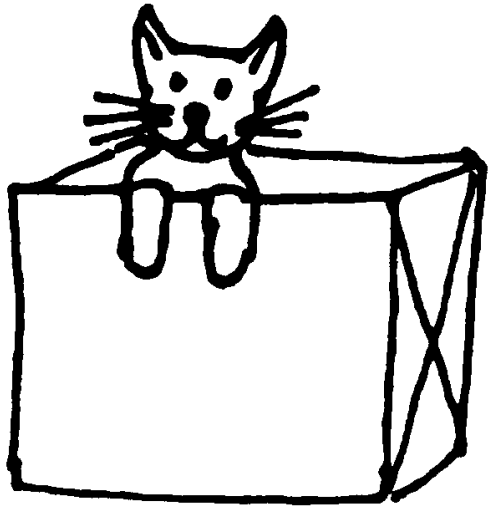

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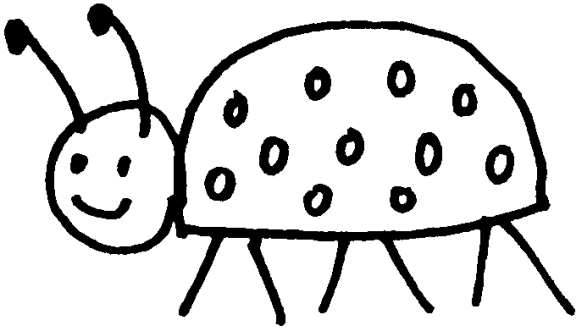

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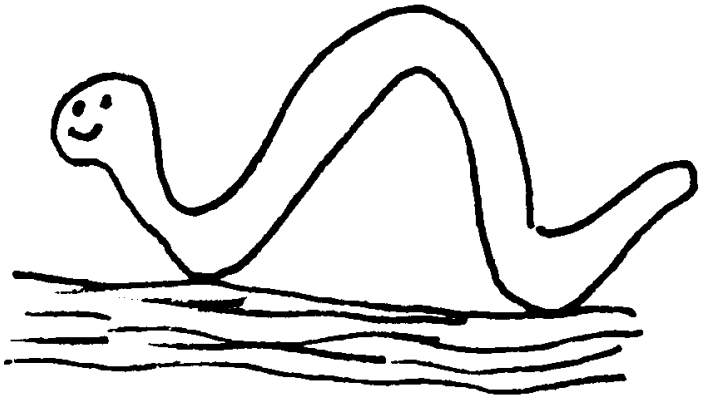

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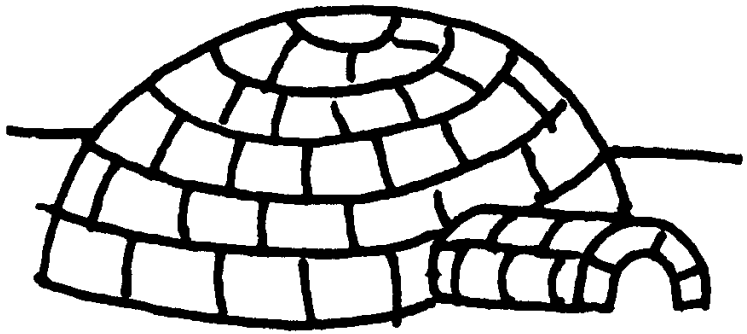

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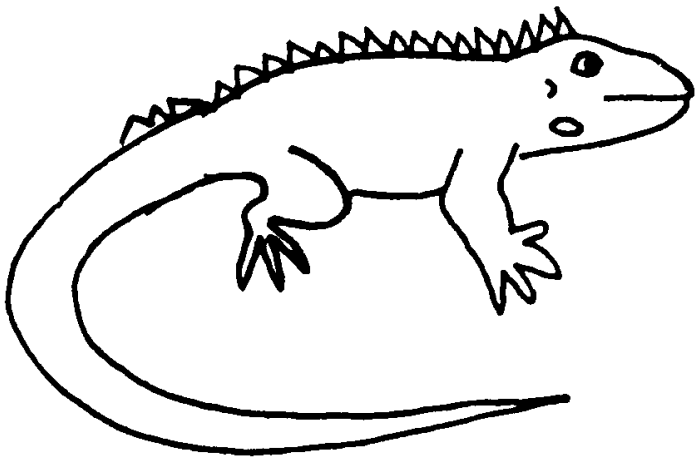

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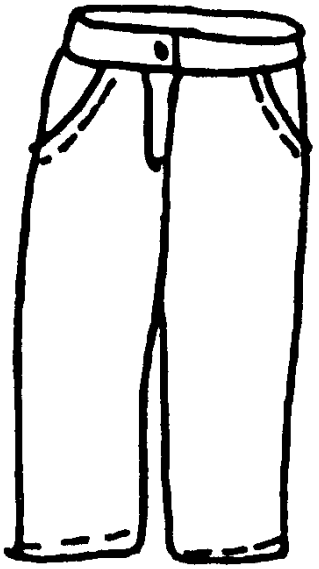

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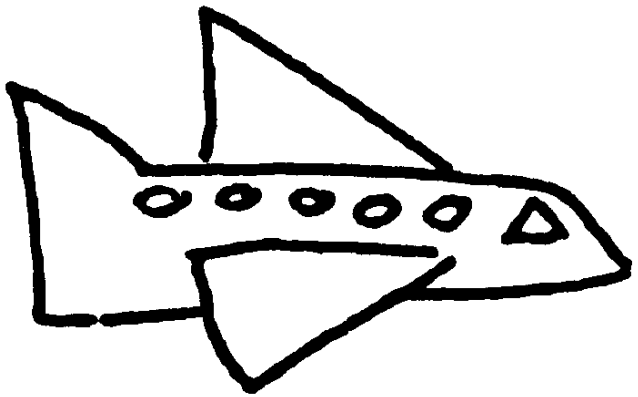

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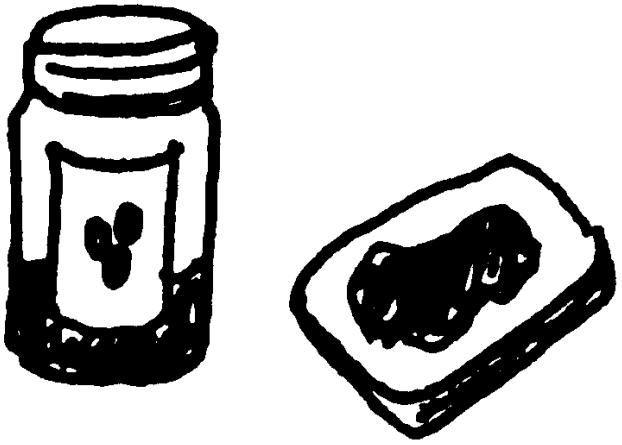

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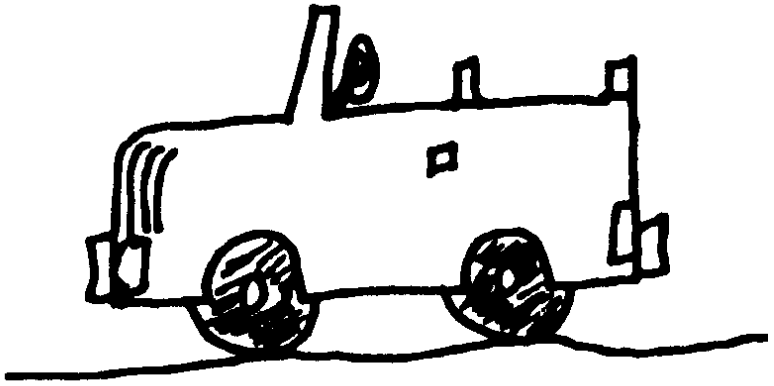

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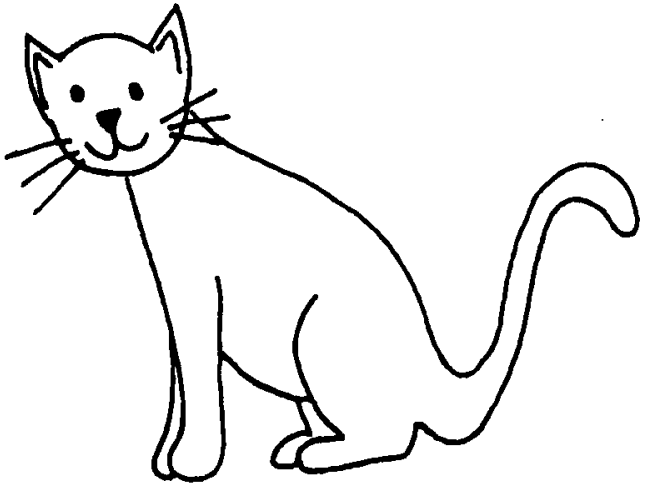

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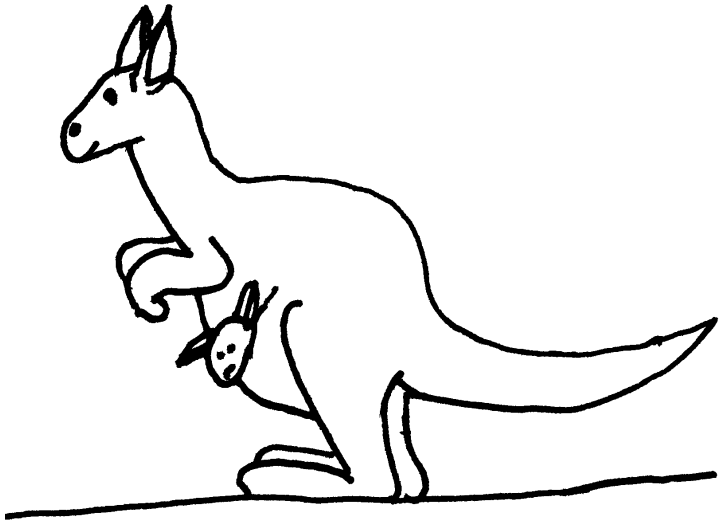

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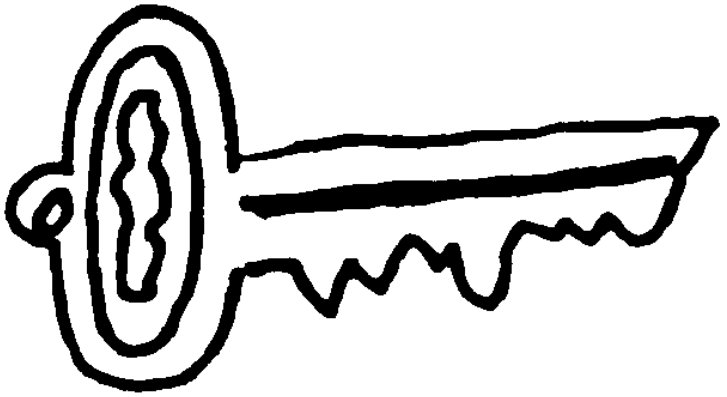

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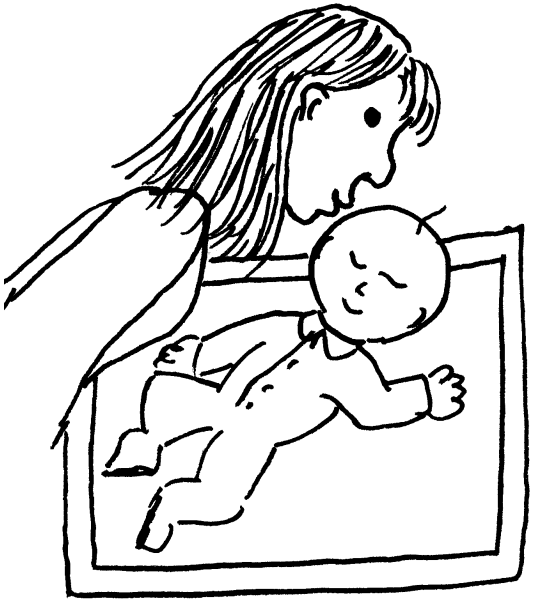

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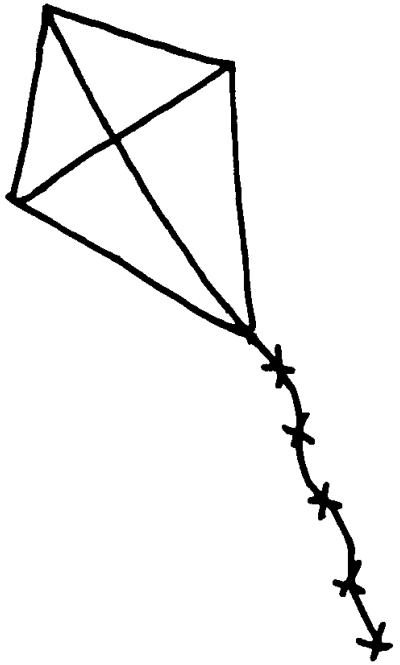

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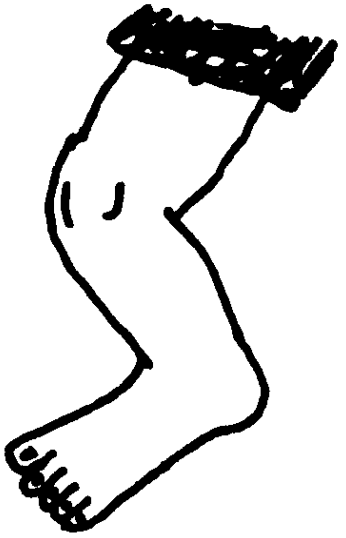

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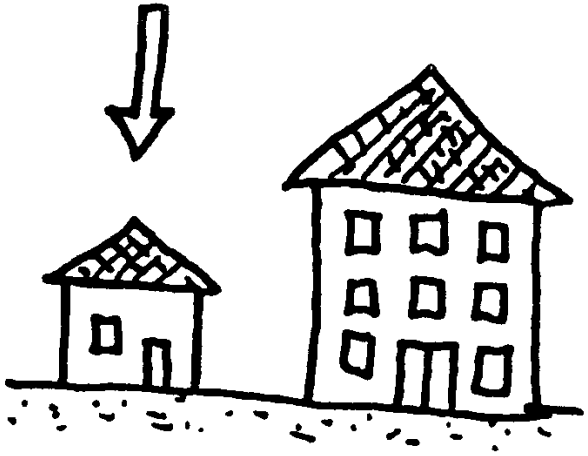

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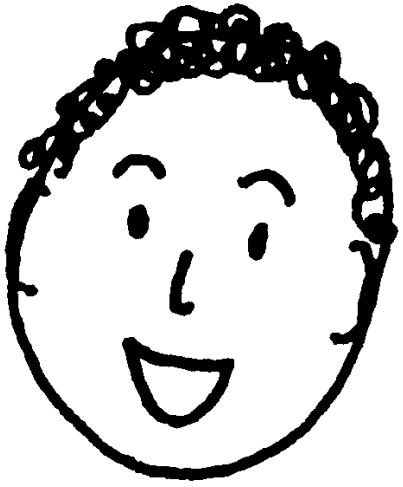

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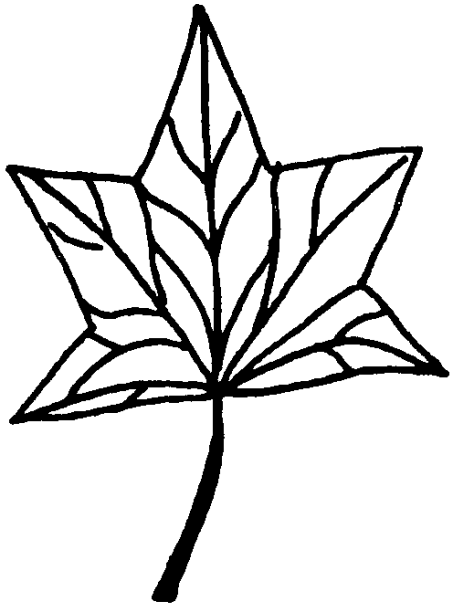

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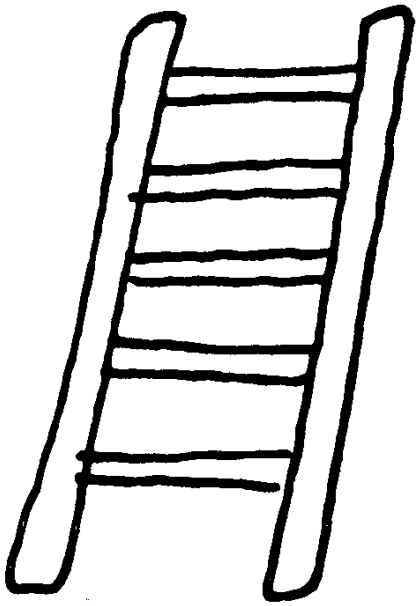

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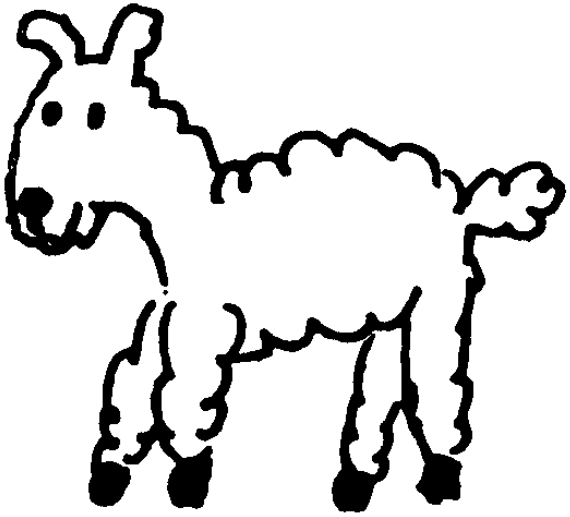

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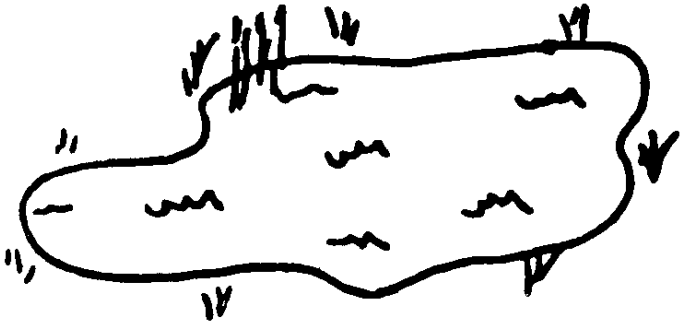

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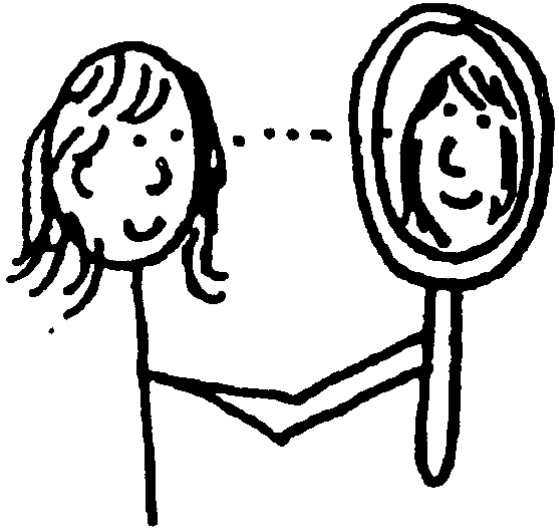

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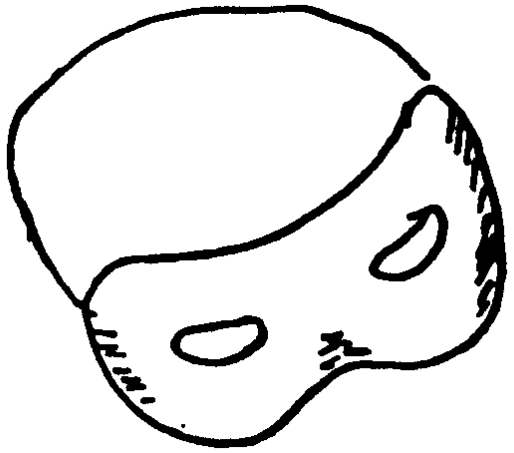

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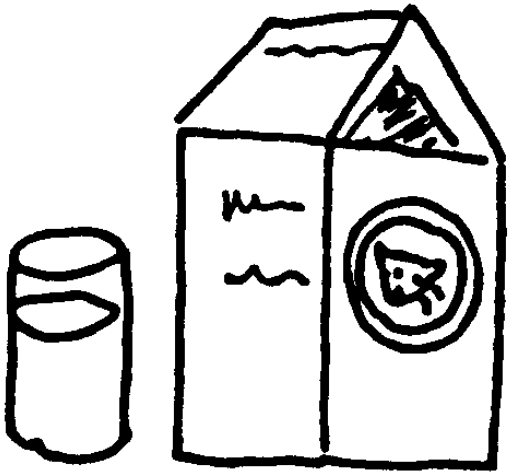

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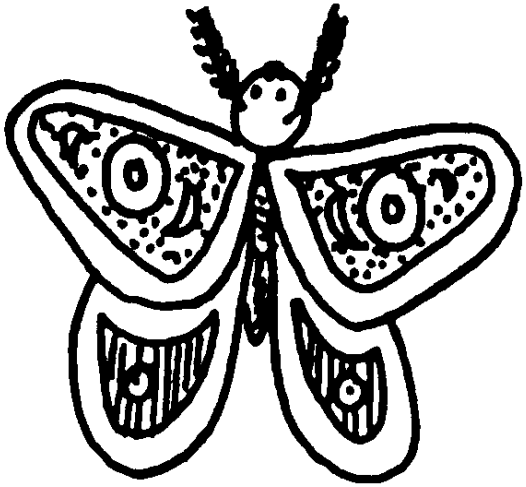

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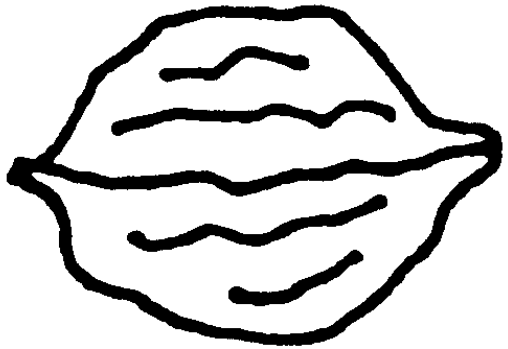

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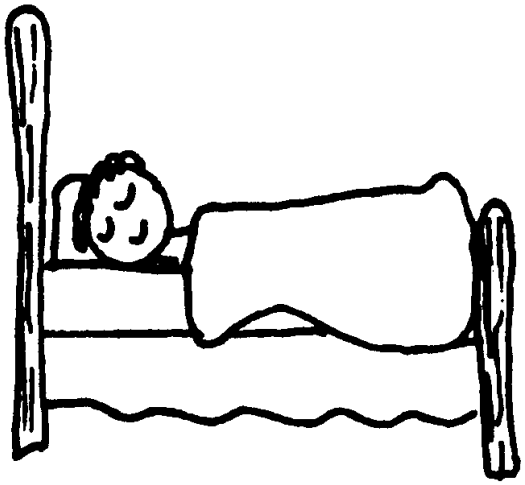

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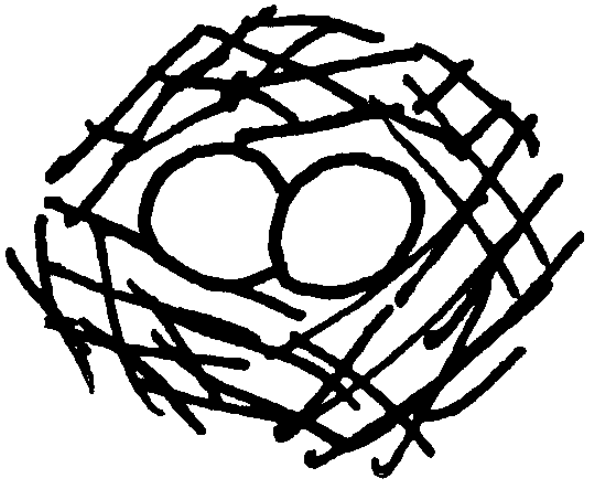

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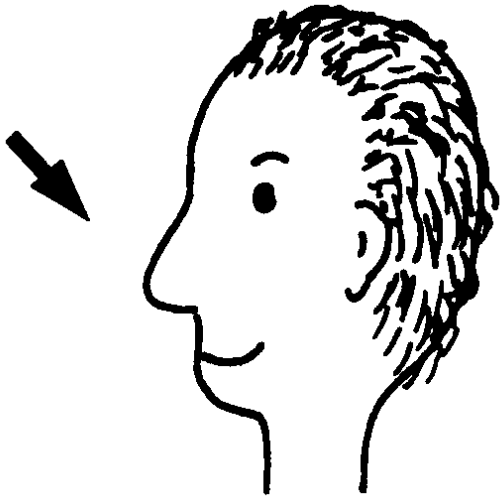

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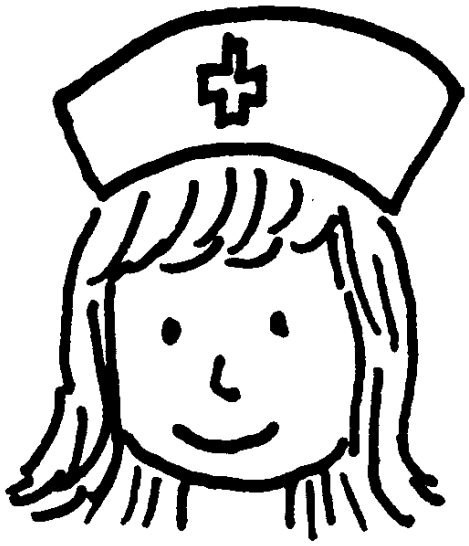

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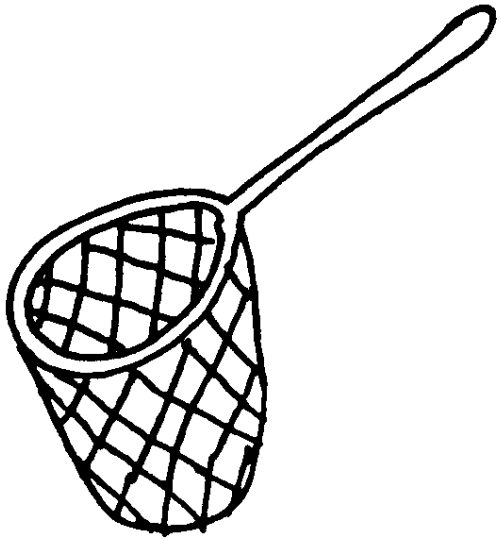

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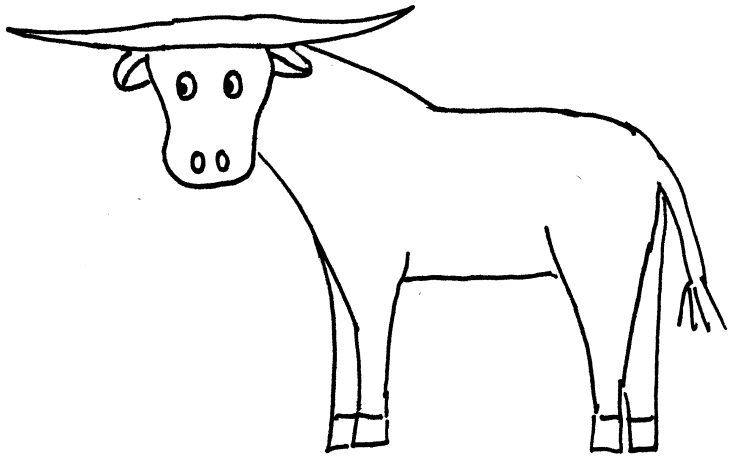

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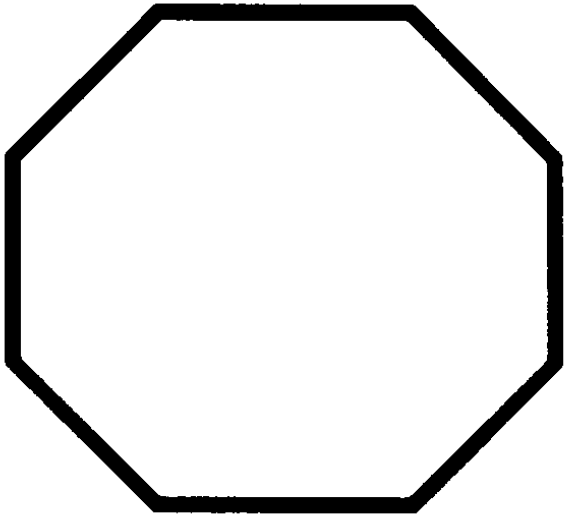

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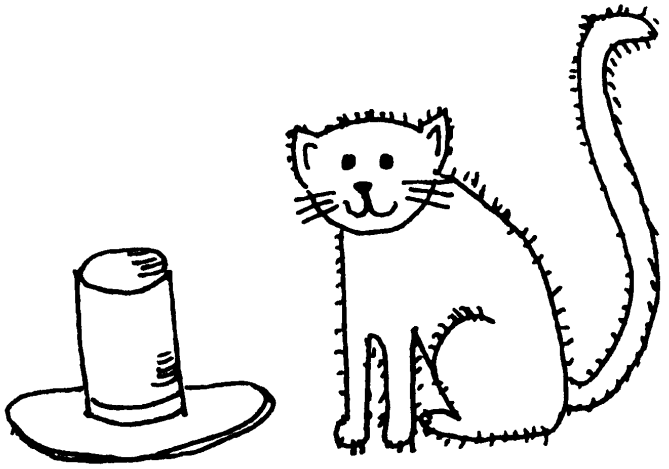

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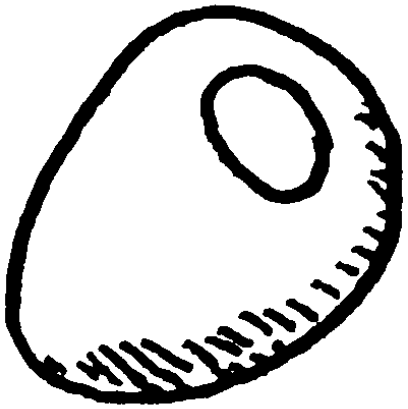

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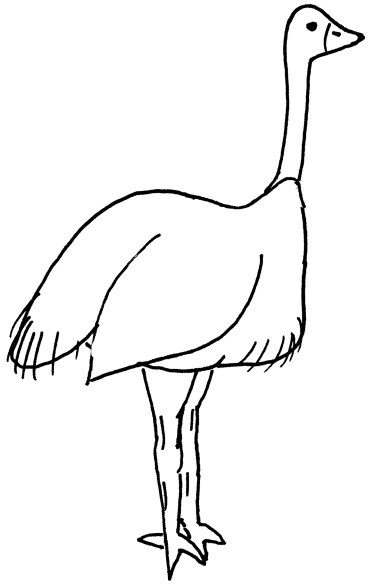

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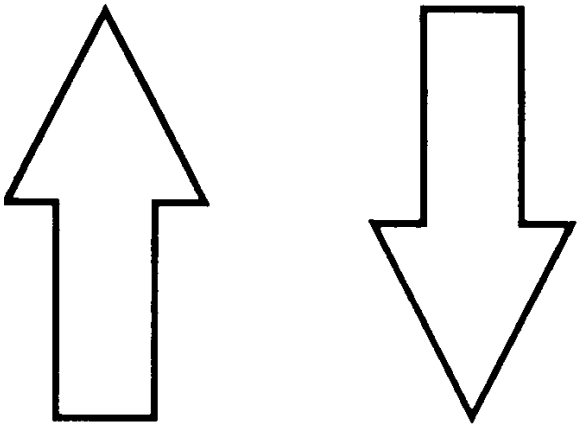

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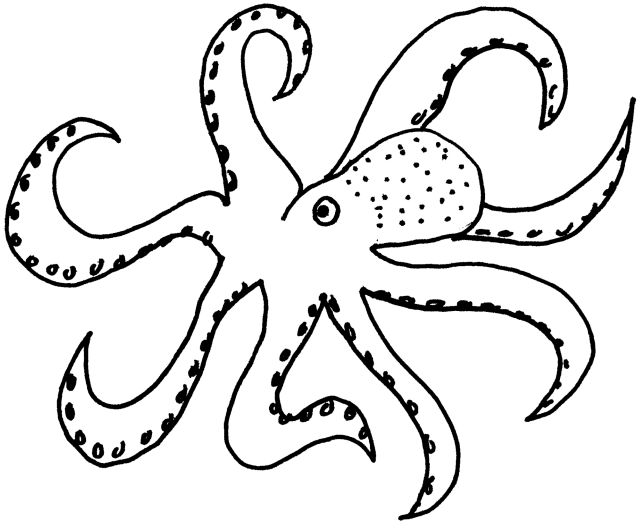

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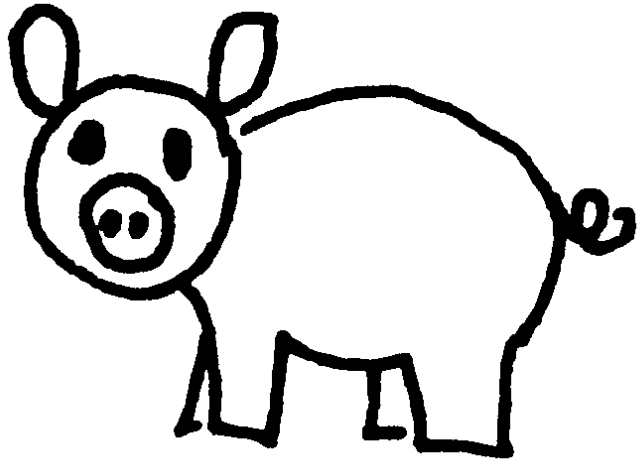

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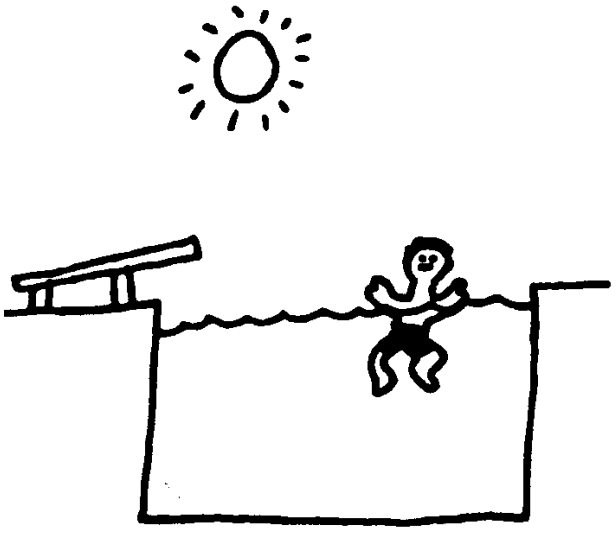

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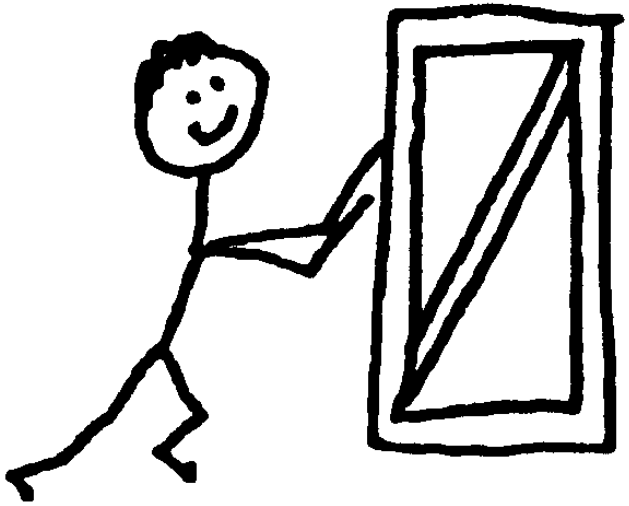

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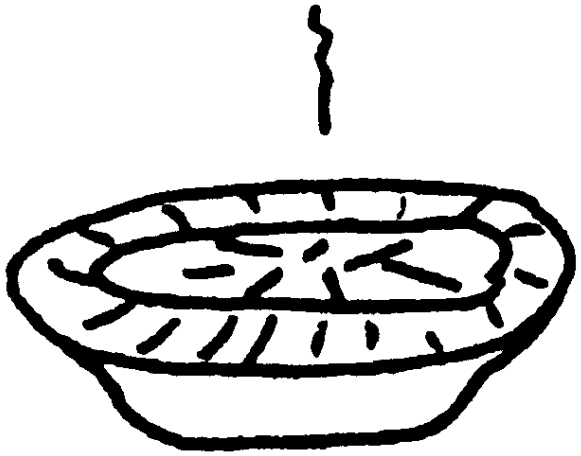

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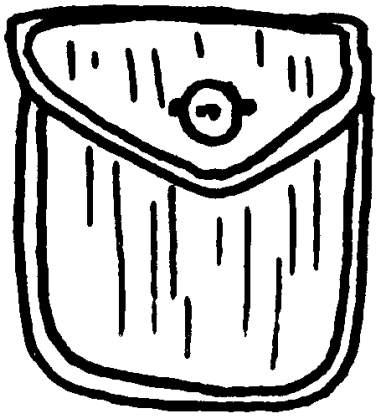

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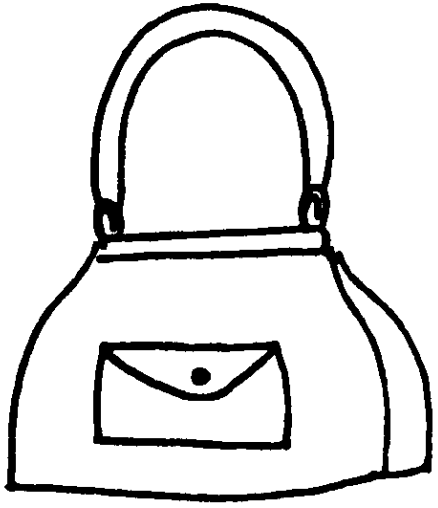

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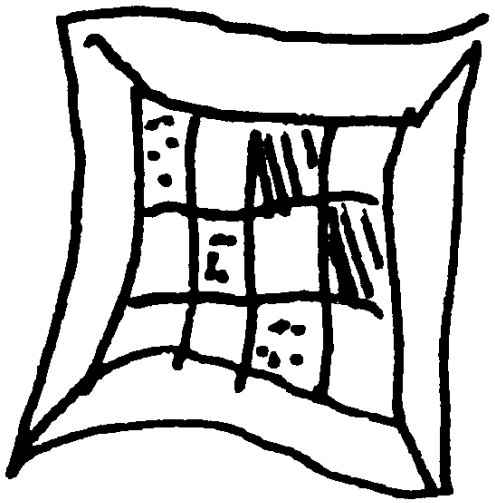

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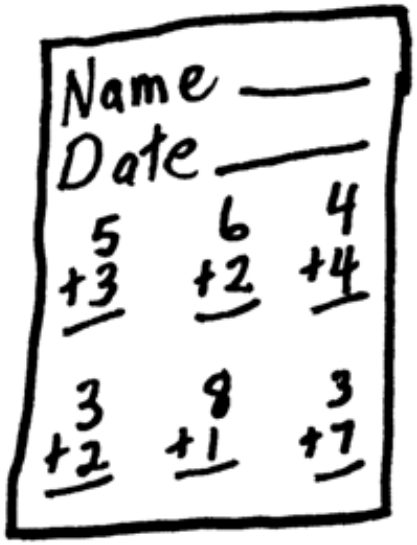

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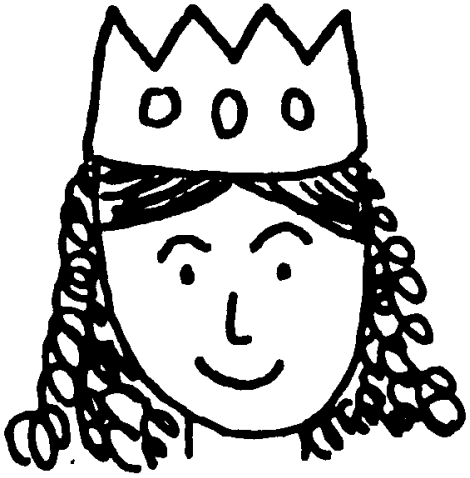

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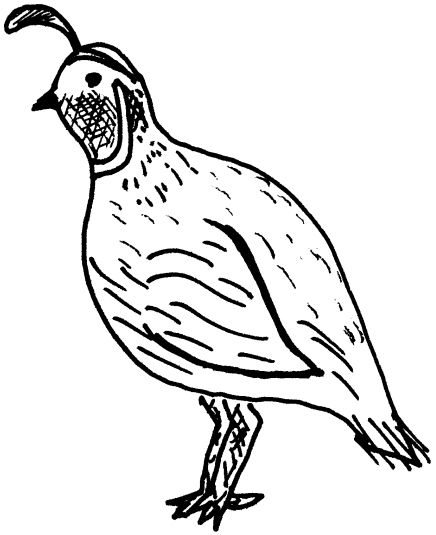

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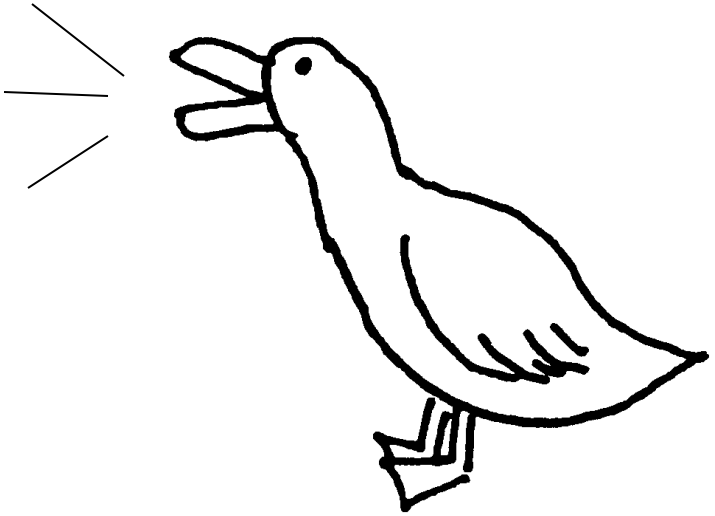

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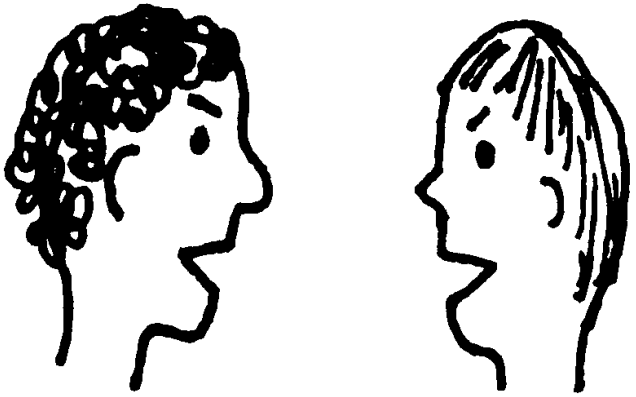

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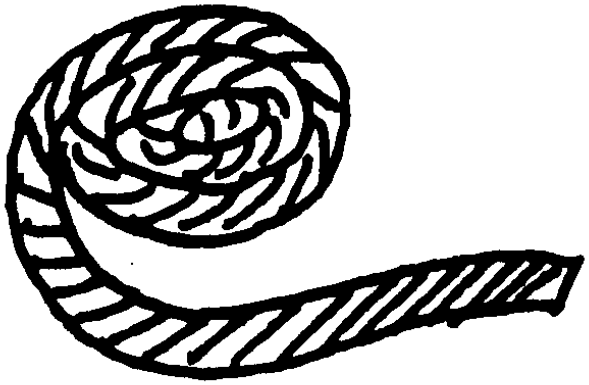

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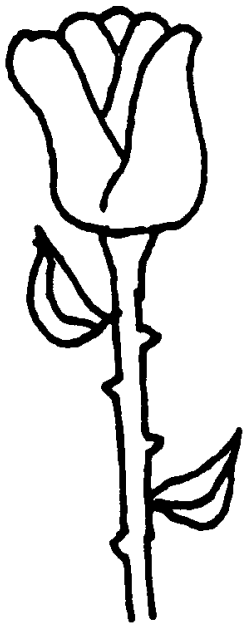

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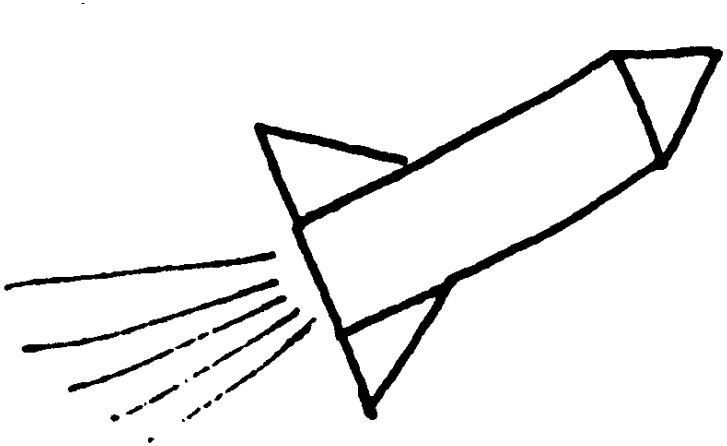

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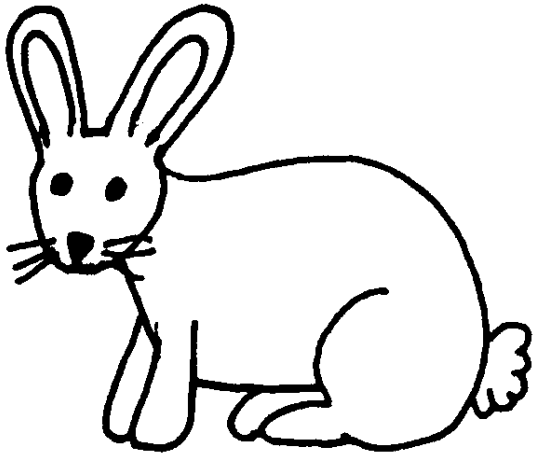

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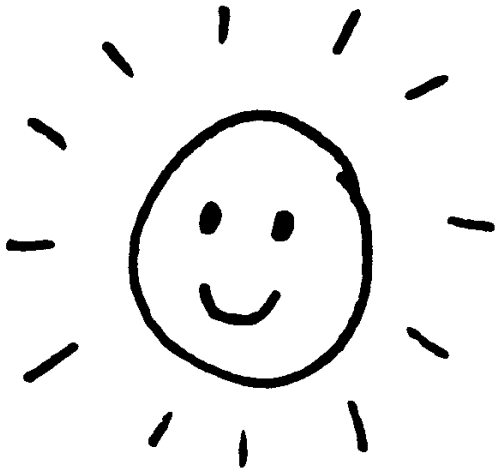

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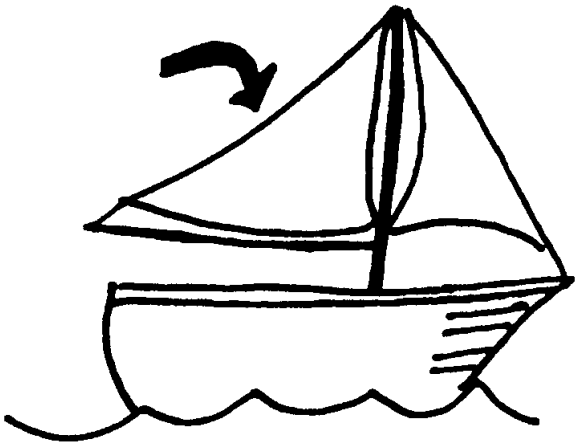

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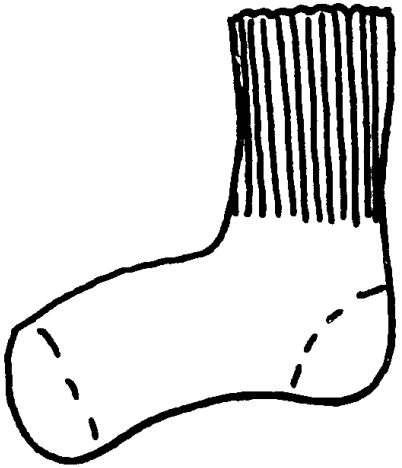

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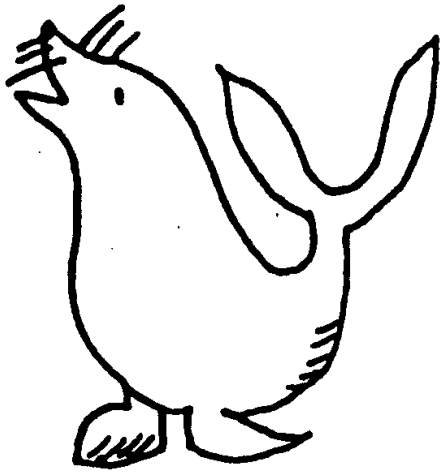

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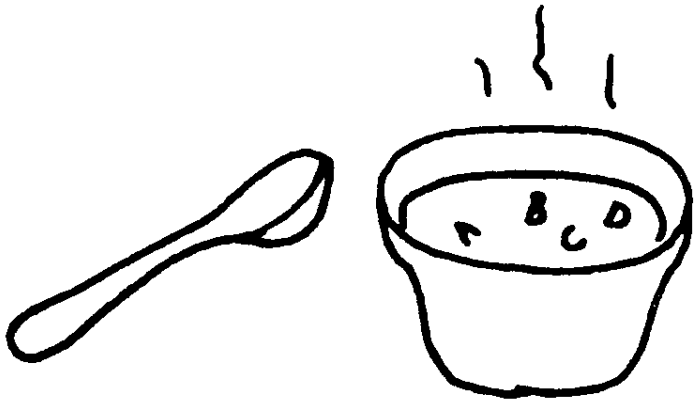

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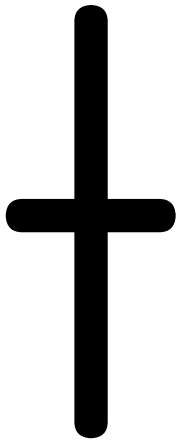

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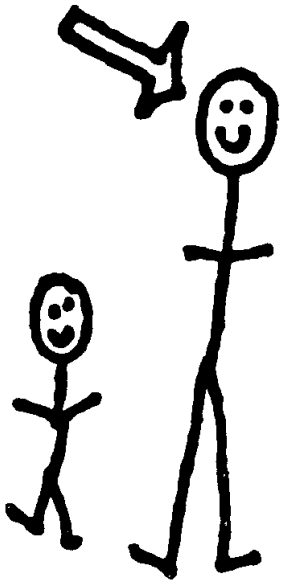

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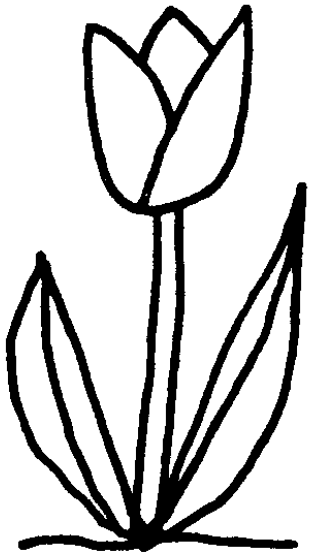

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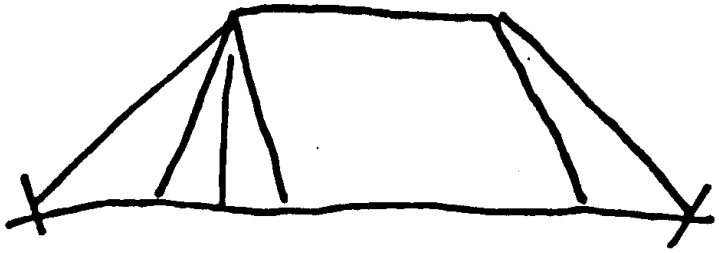

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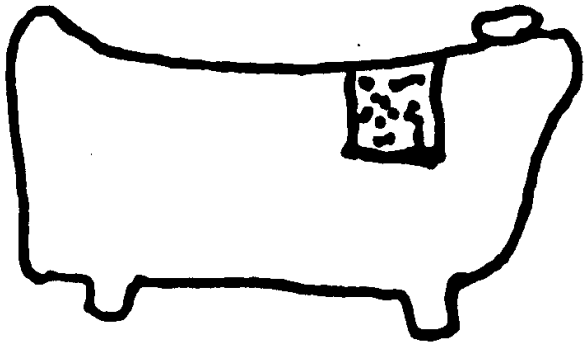

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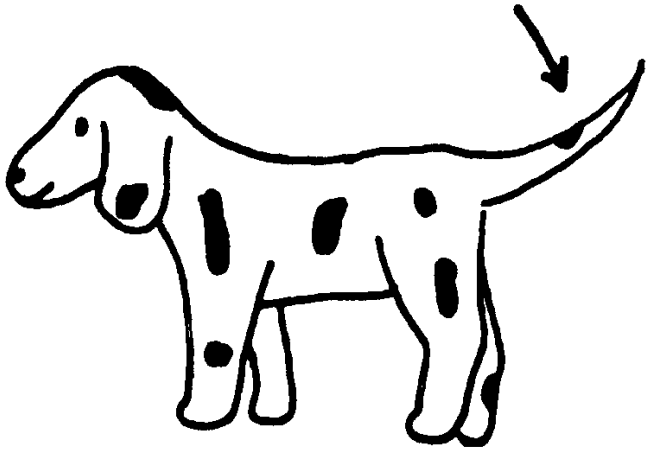

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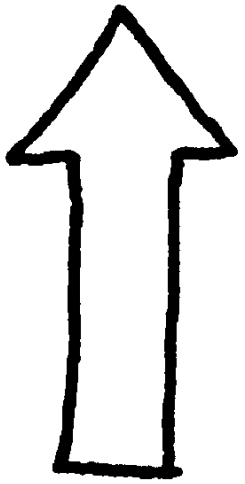

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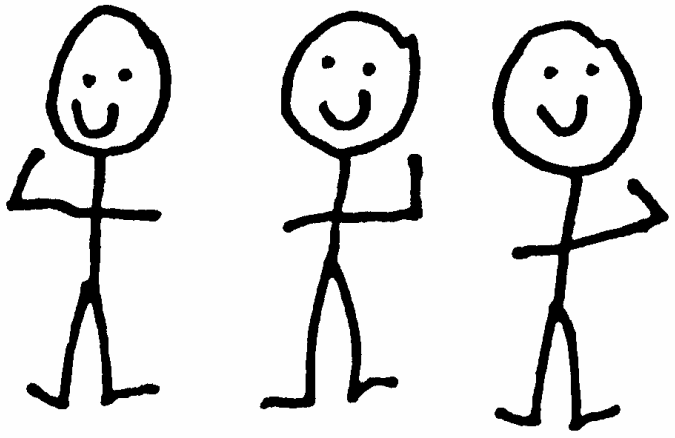

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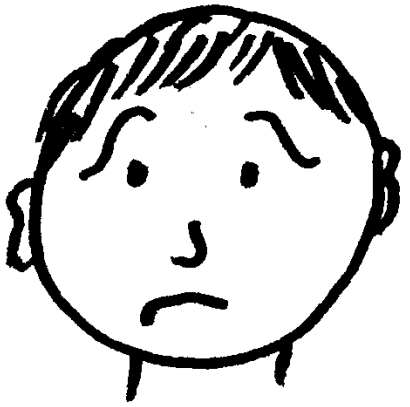

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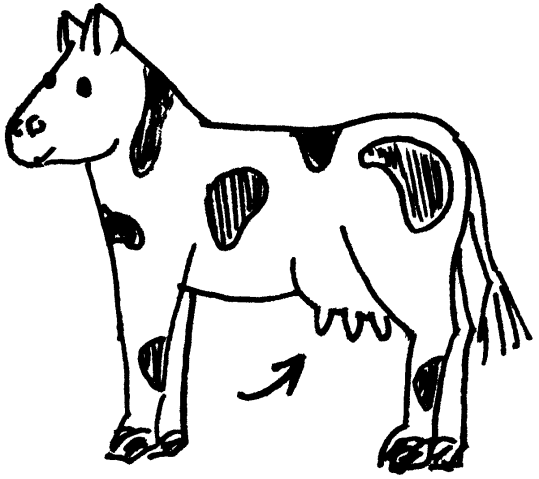

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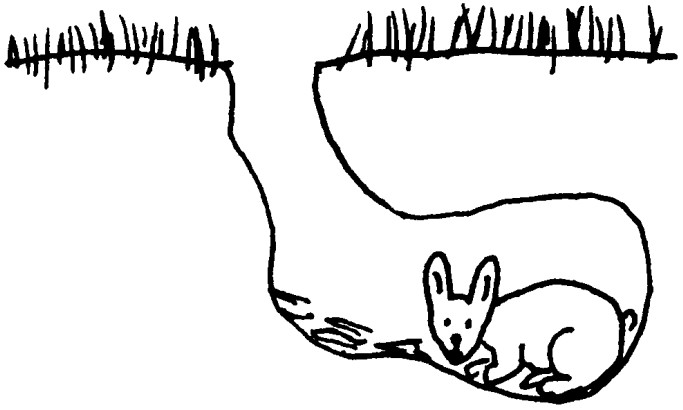

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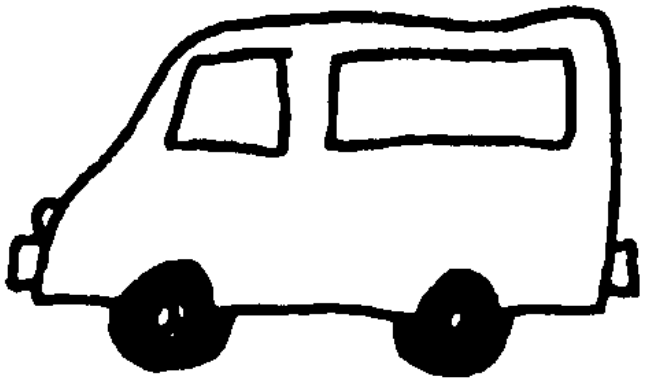

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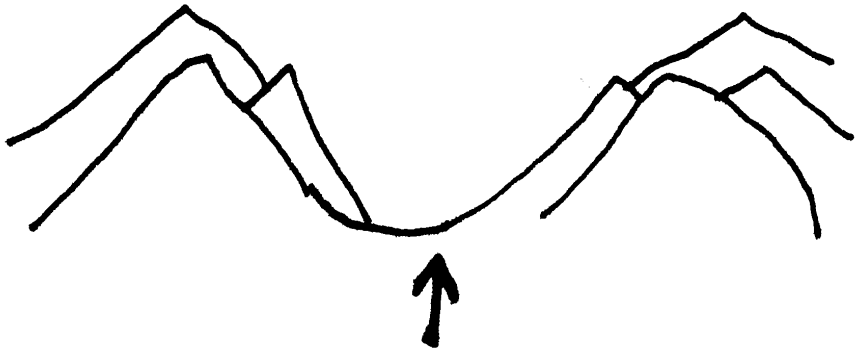

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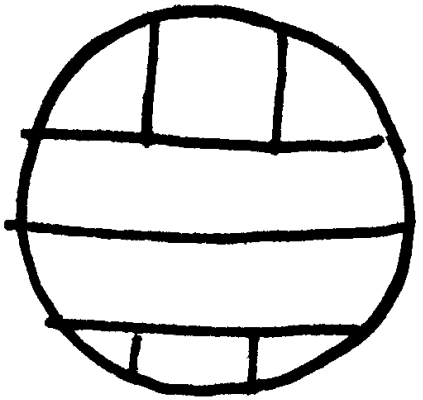

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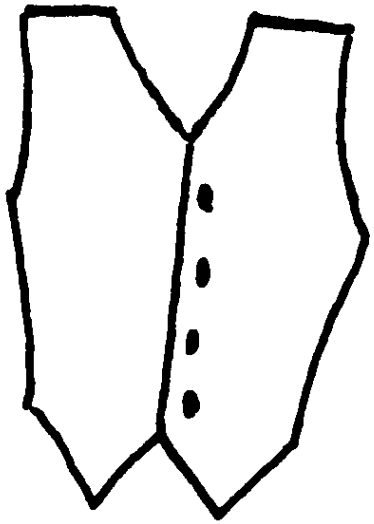

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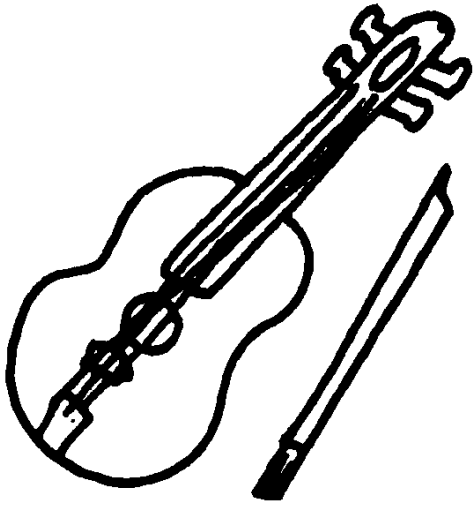

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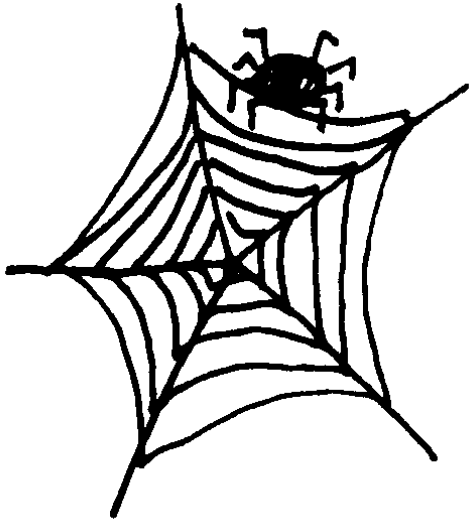

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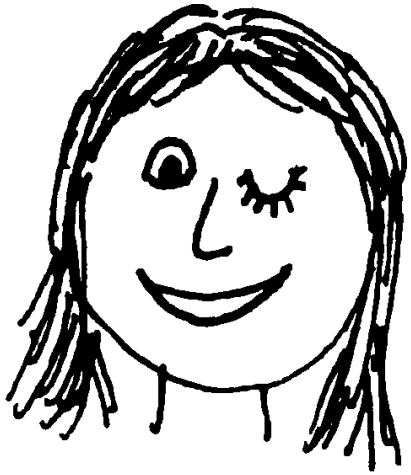

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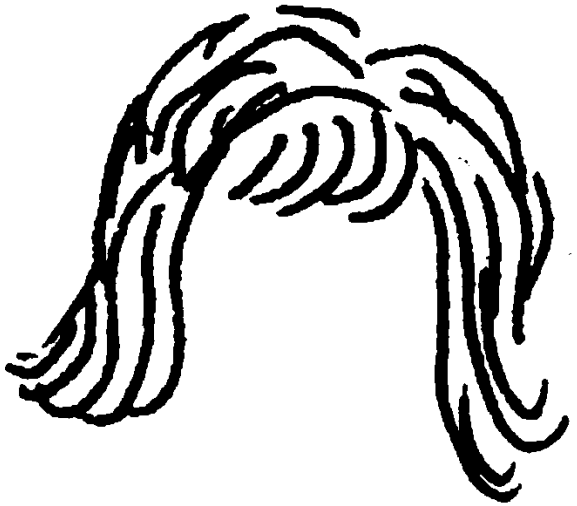

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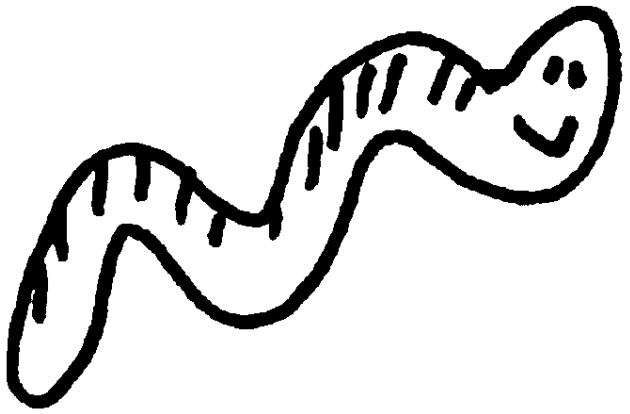

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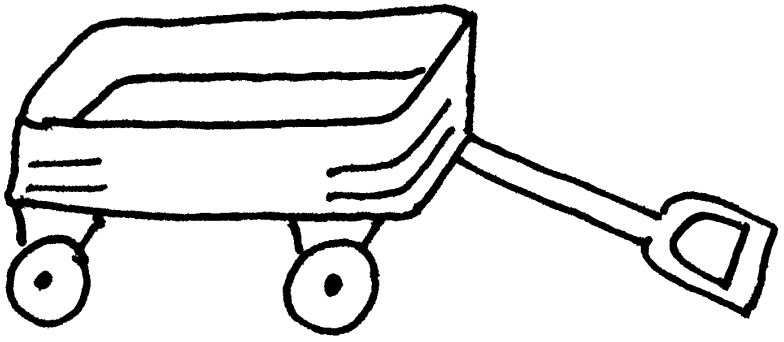

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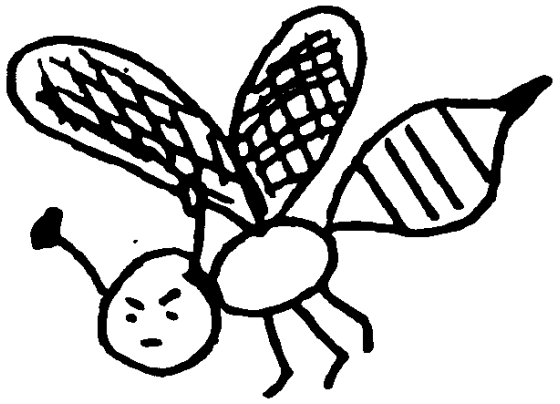

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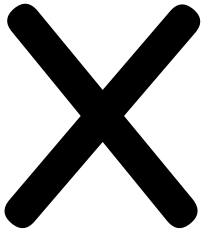

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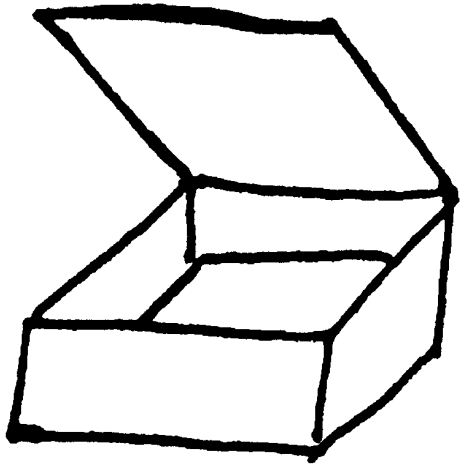

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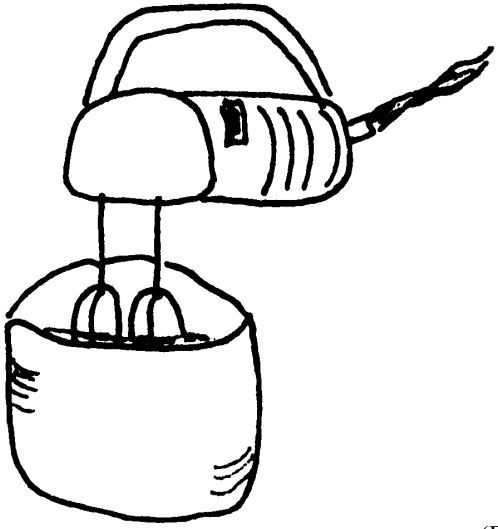

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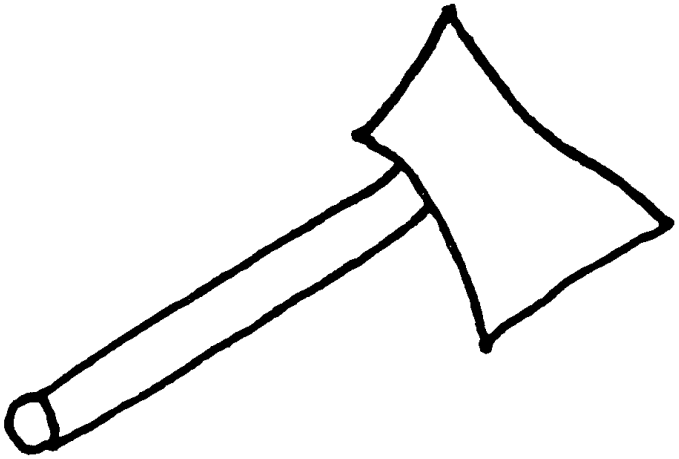

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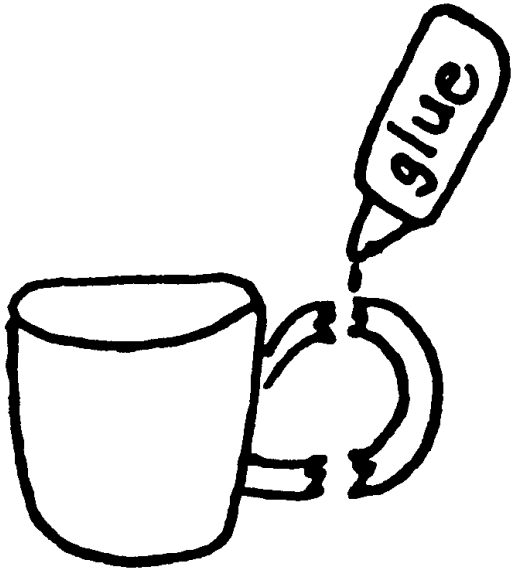

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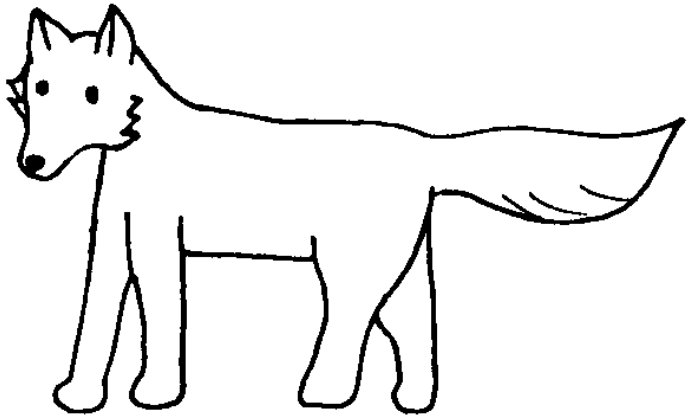

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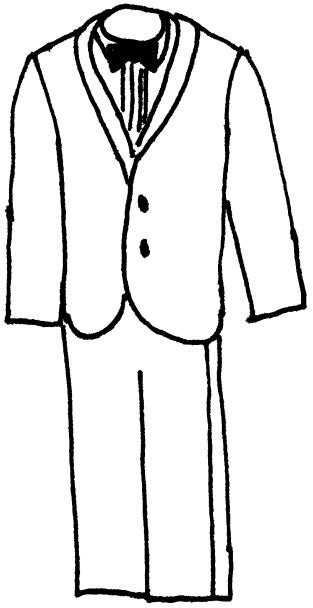

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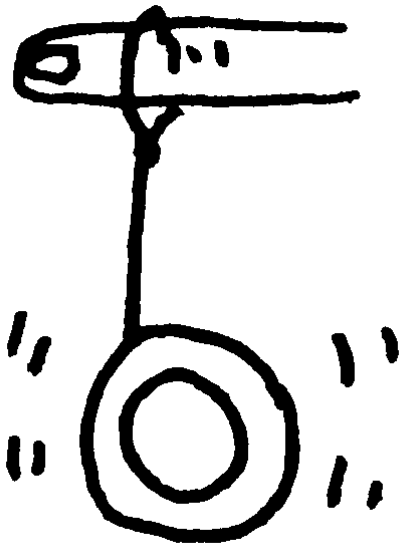

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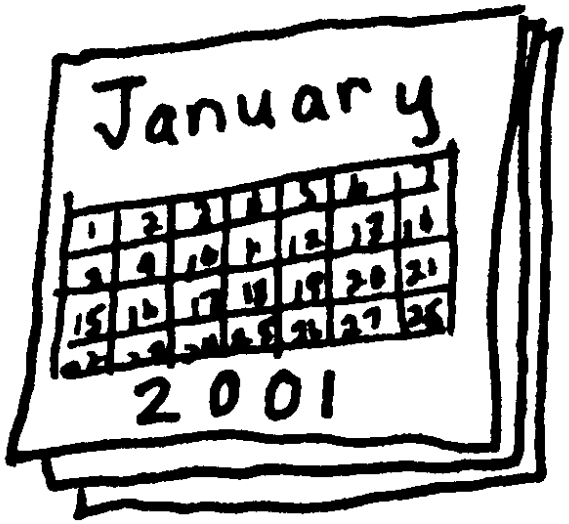

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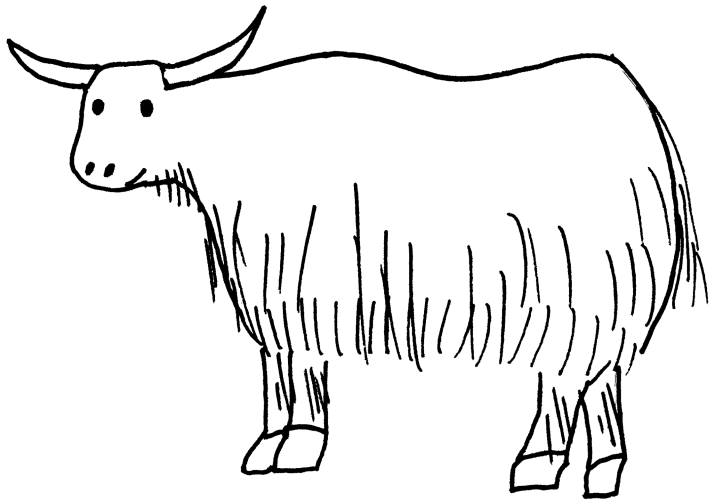

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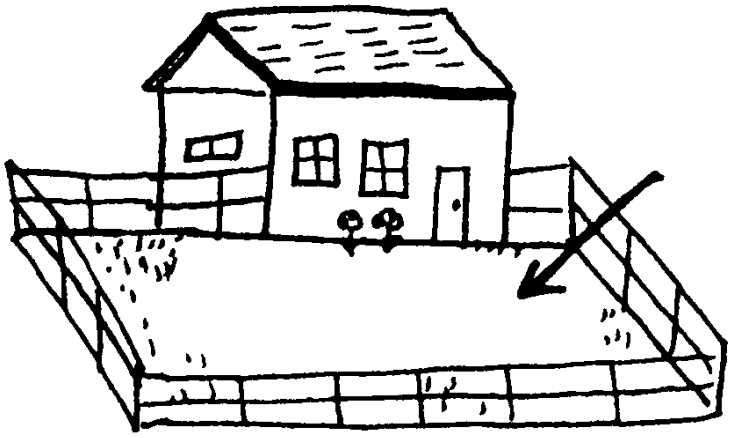

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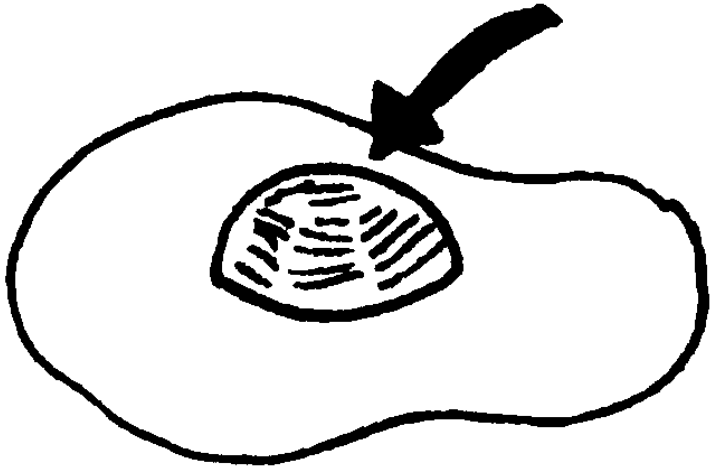

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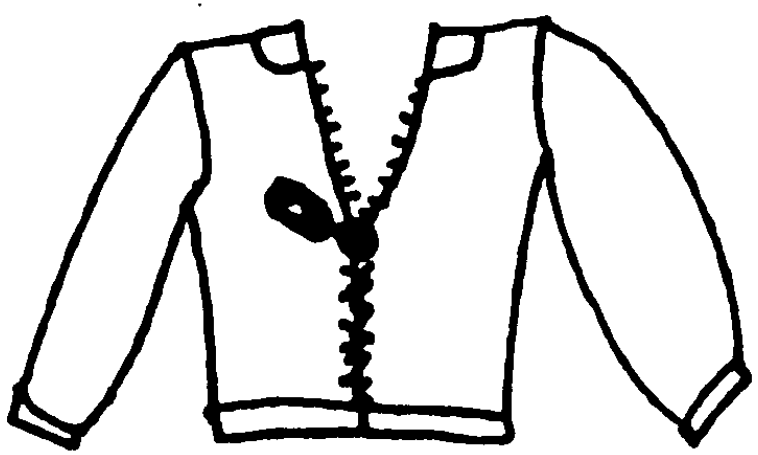

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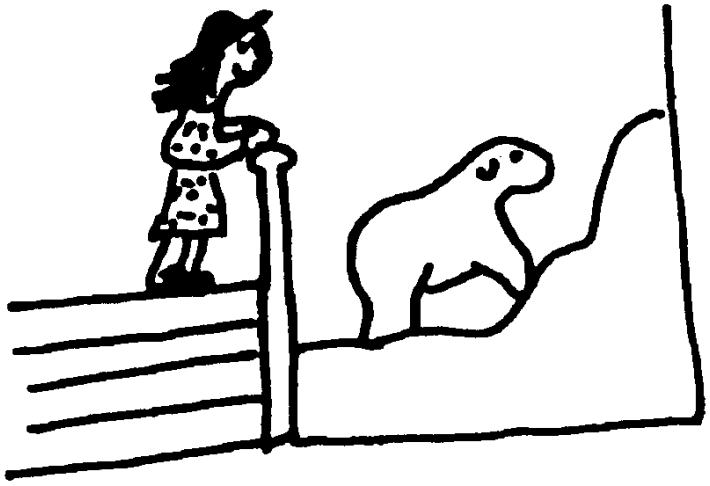

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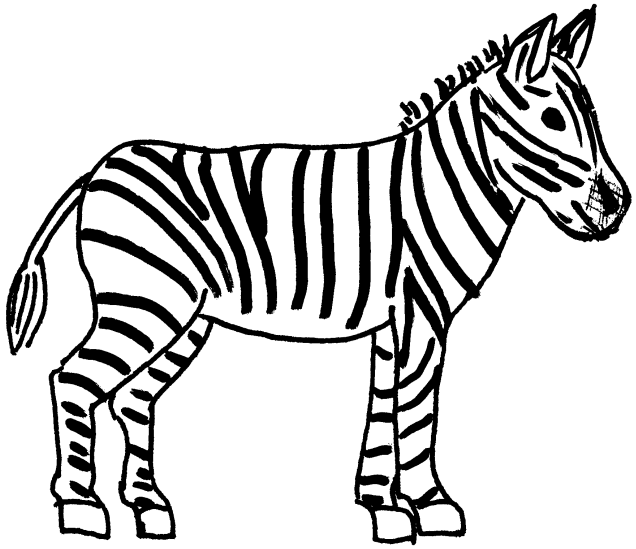

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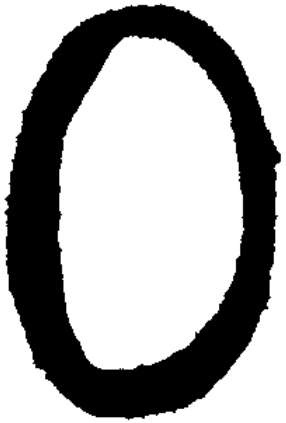

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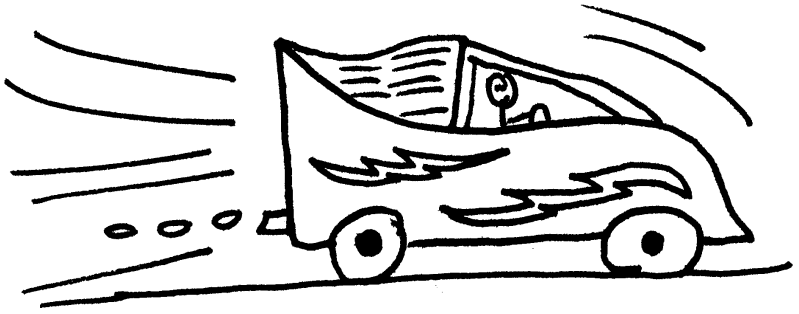

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