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**AN ALPHABETICAL JOURNEY THROUGH THE  
CHOMPERS OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM**

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At the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry, we celebrate healthy smiles and healthy minds. We developed the Alpha-Bite Book in 2022 for free use by parents, teachers, and anyone else helping children learn to read, write, and care for their teeth. Individual pages may be used together or separately.

For information about the museum, including our location, hours of operation, programming, and additional learning resources, visit us online at [www.dentalmuseum.com](http://www.dentalmuseum.com).

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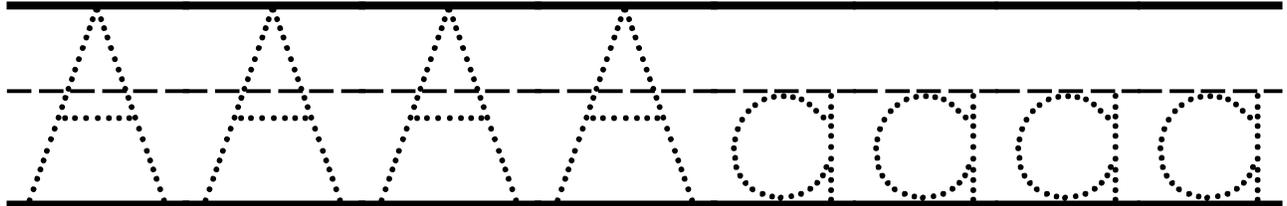
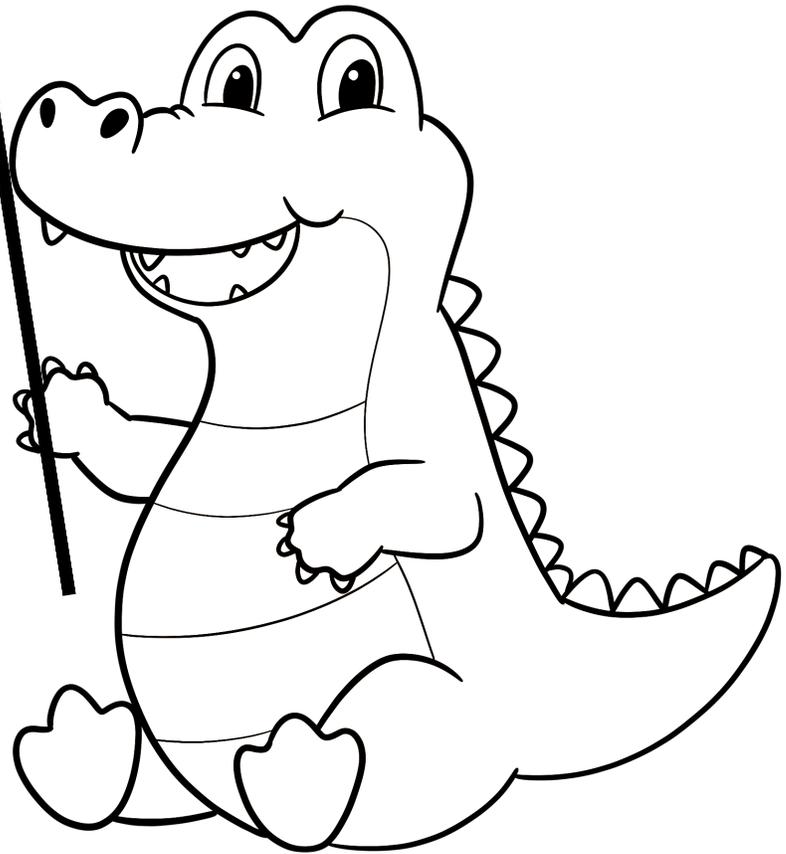
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# A IS FOR ALLIGATOR

Color the picture and practice writing the letter A.



Adult alligators  
can have up to  
eighty teeth!

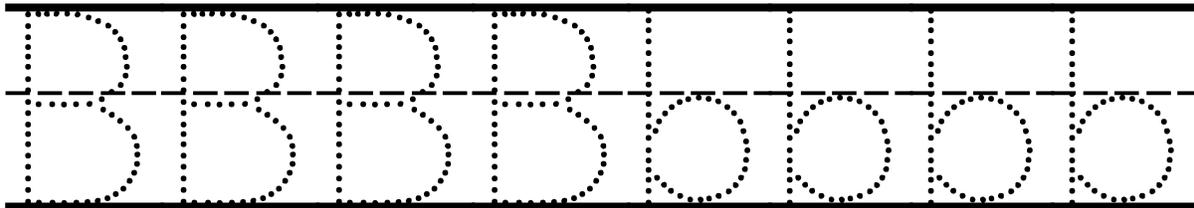
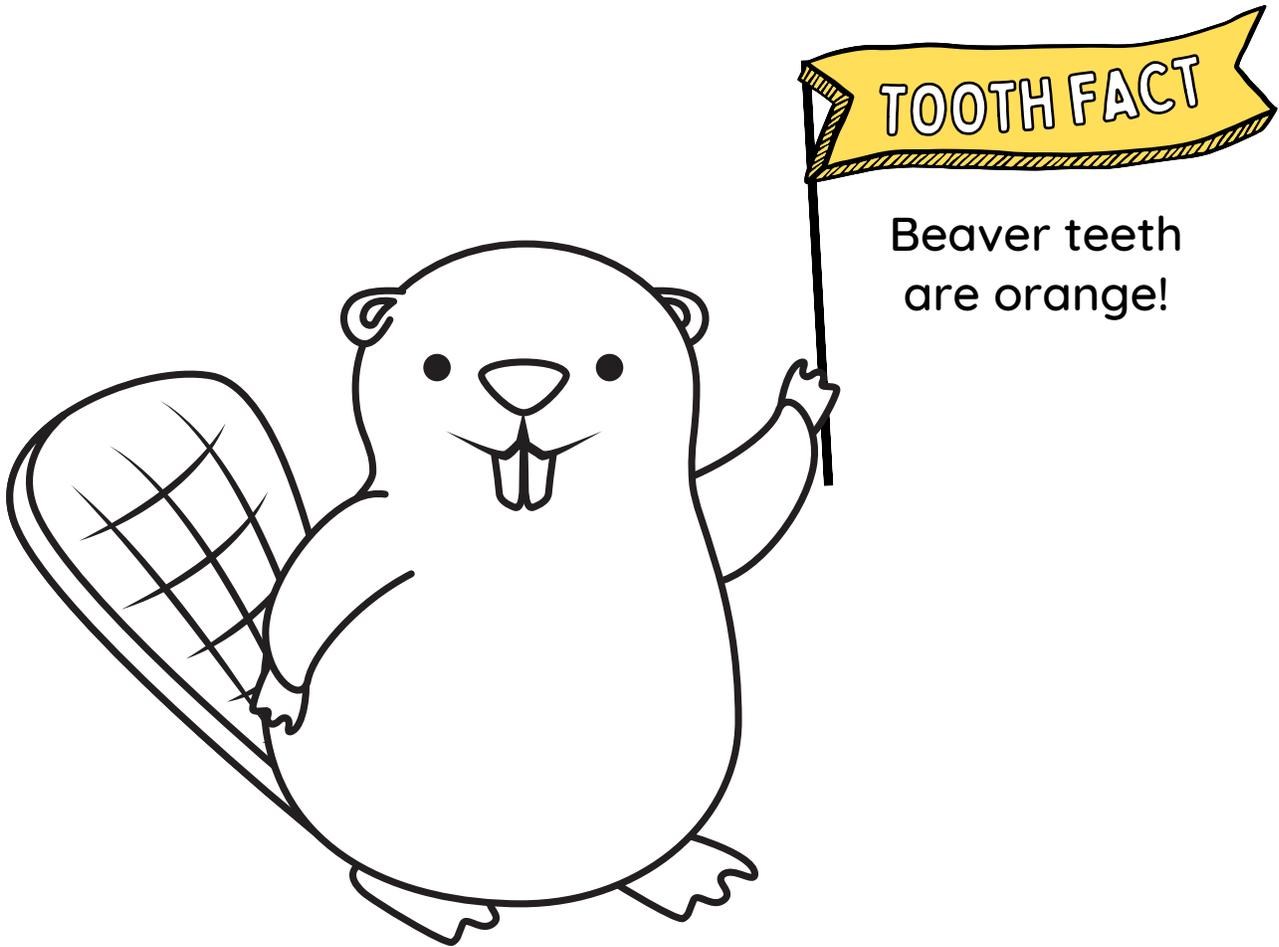


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# B IS FOR BEAVER

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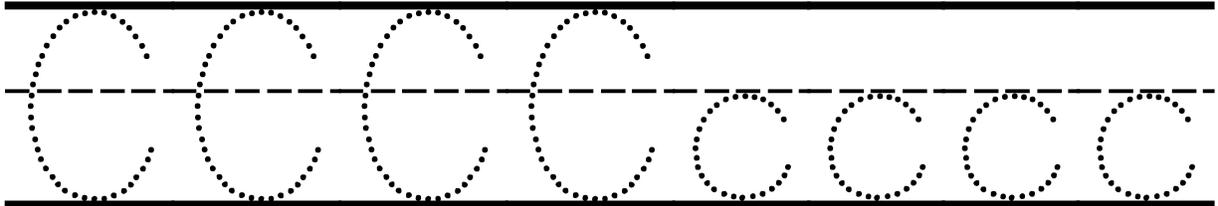
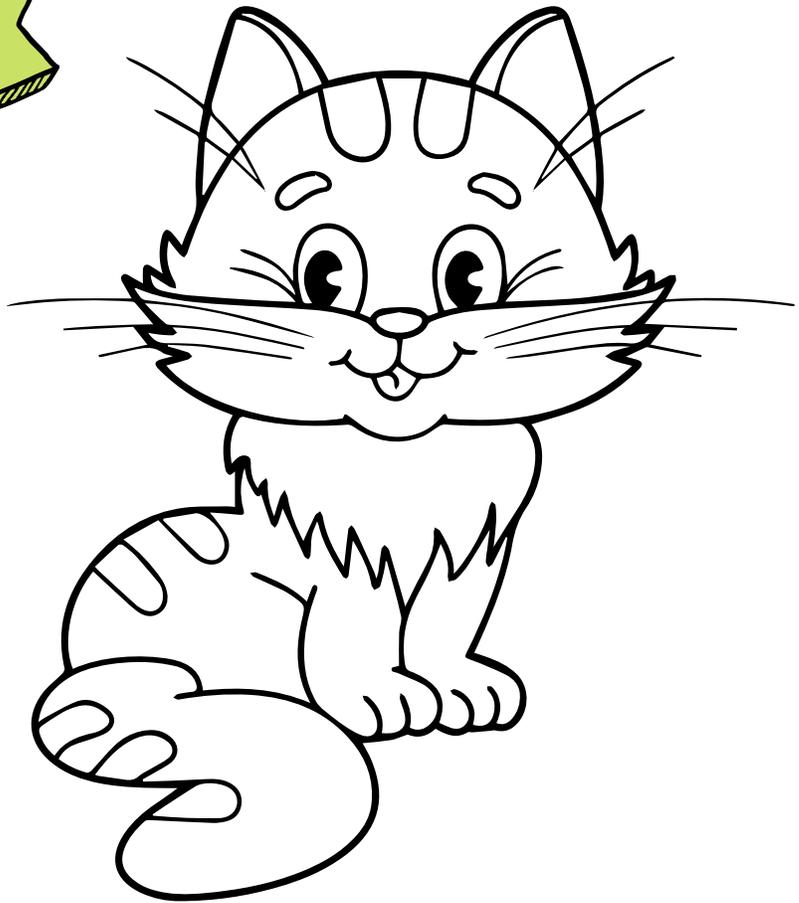
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Color the picture and practice writing the letter C.



Cats use their front teeth to clean their fur.

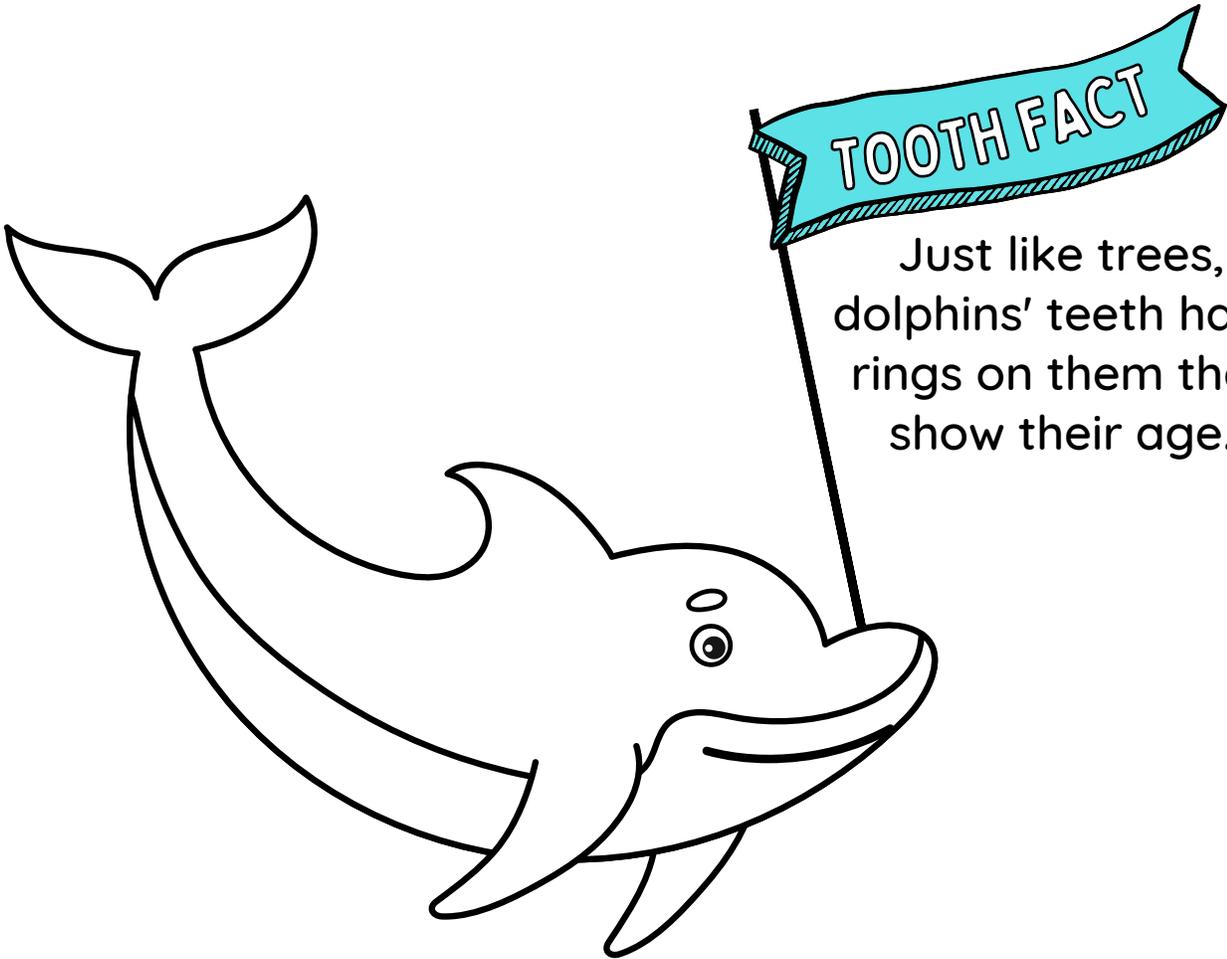


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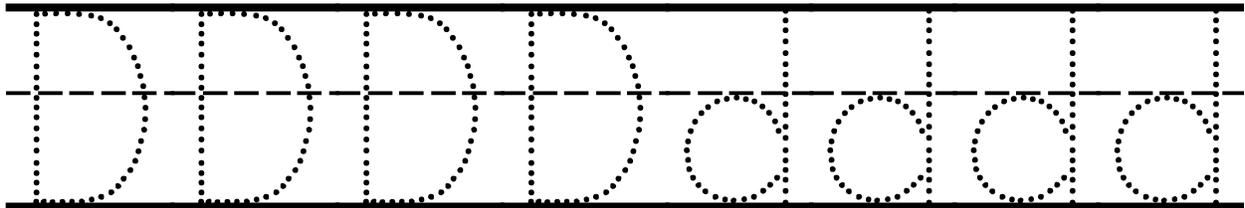
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# D IS FOR DOLPHIN

Color the picture and practice writing the letter D.



Just like trees,  
dolphins' teeth have  
rings on them that  
show their age.



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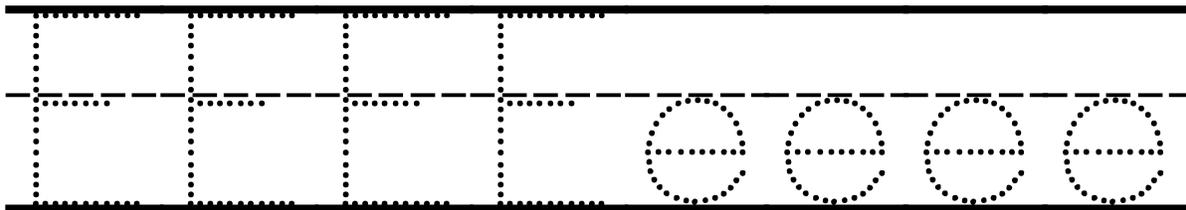
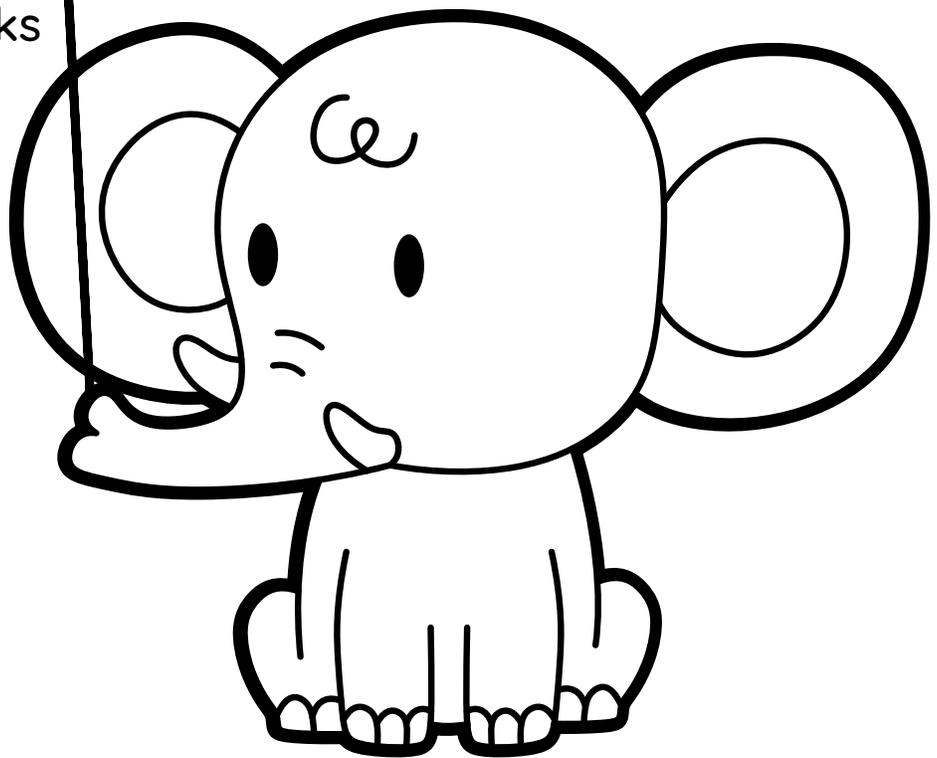
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# E IS FOR ELEPHANT

Color the picture and practice writing the letter E.



Elephants' tusks  
are actually  
teeth!

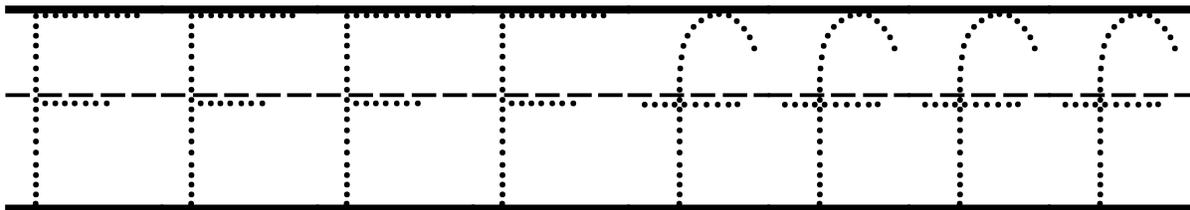
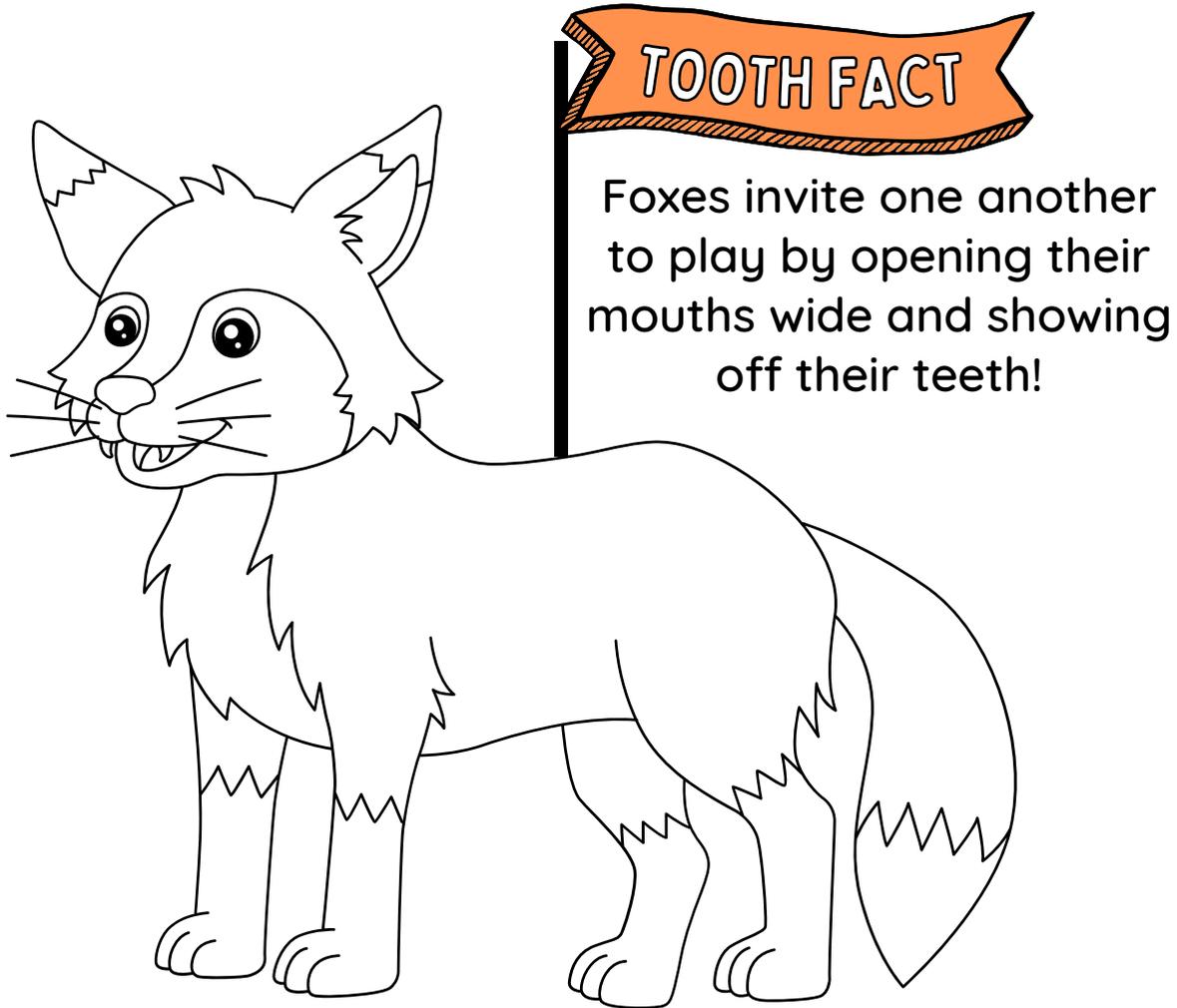


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# F IS FOR FOX

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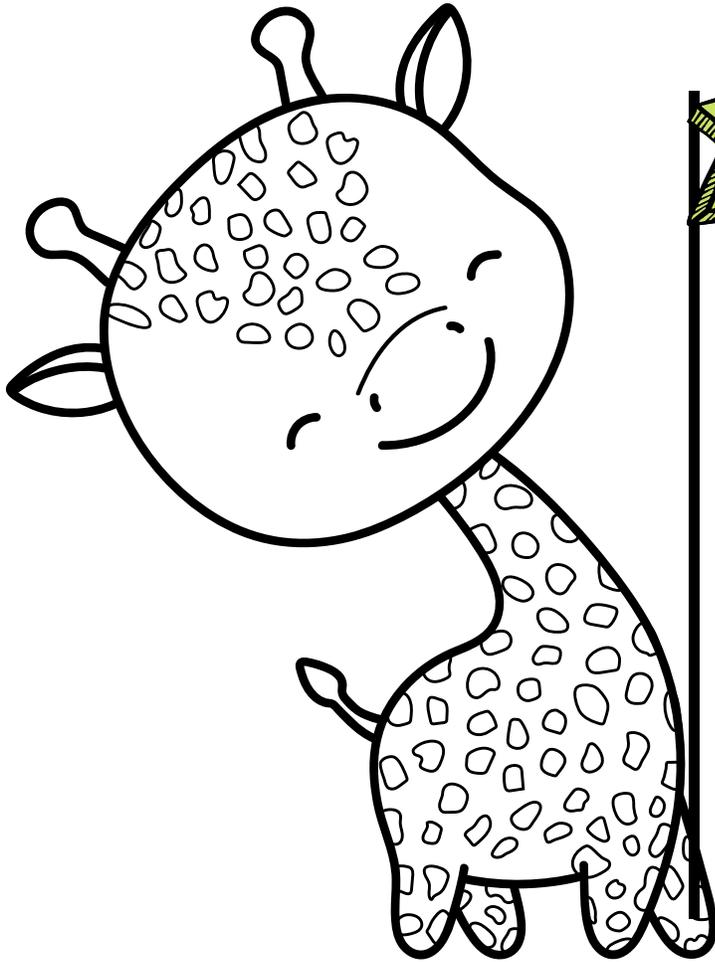


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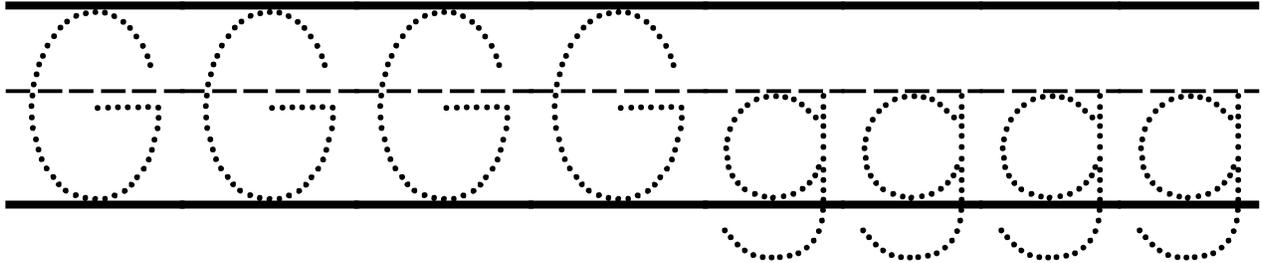
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# G IS FOR GIRAFFE

Color the picture and practice writing the letter G.



Giraffes have the  
same number of  
teeth as humans  
(32)



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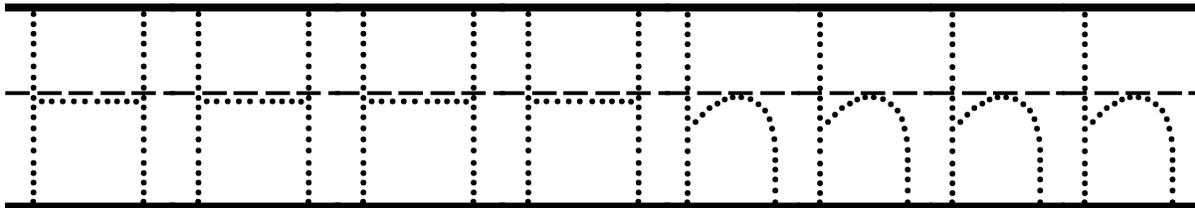
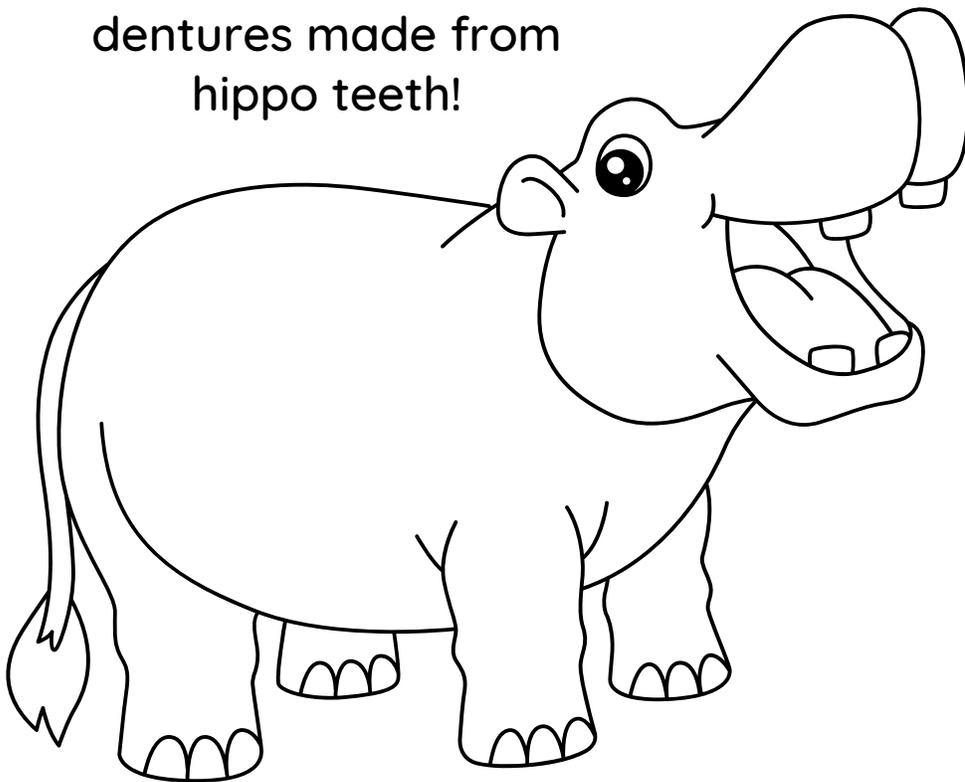
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# H IS FOR HIPPO

Color the picture and practice writing the letter H.



George Washington, the first U.S. President, wore dentures made from hippo teeth!

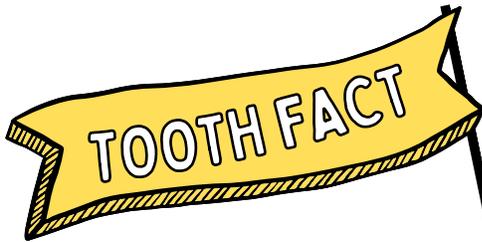


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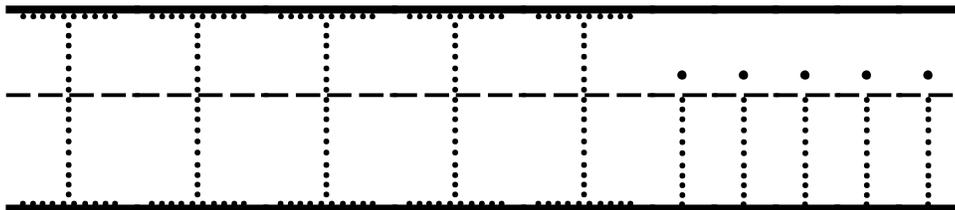
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# I IS FOR IMPALA

Color the picture and practice writing the letter I.



Impalas have small gaps between their teeth. This allows them to use their teeth like a comb to brush their fur!

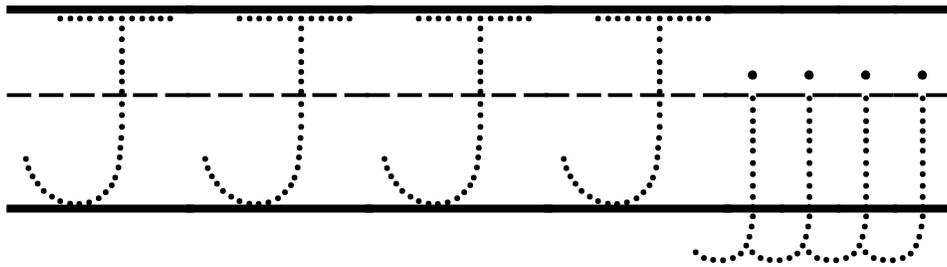
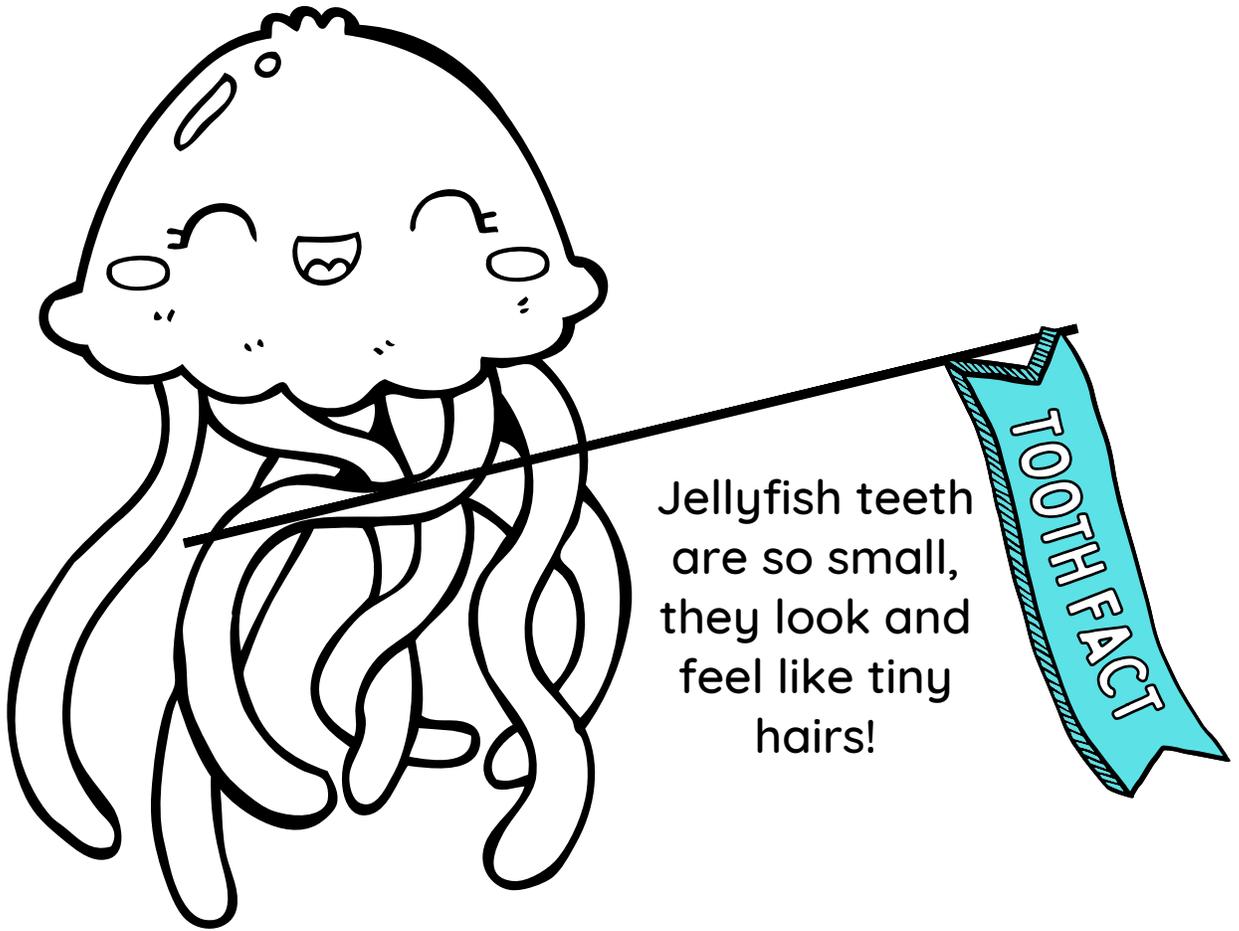


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# J IS FOR JELLYFISH

Color the picture and practice writing the letter J.



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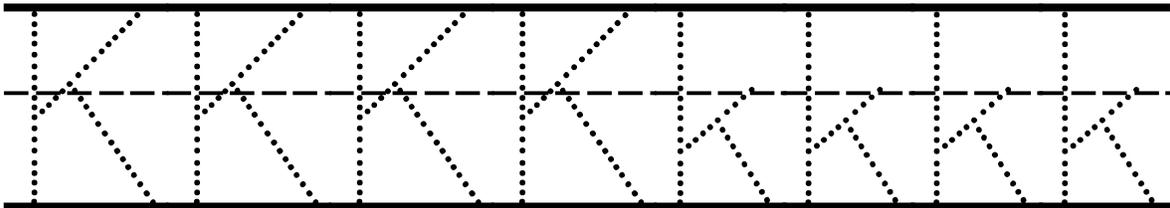
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Color the picture and practice writing the letter K.



Kangaroos have extra teeth they don't use. If any of their chewing teeth fall out, these extra teeth take their place!

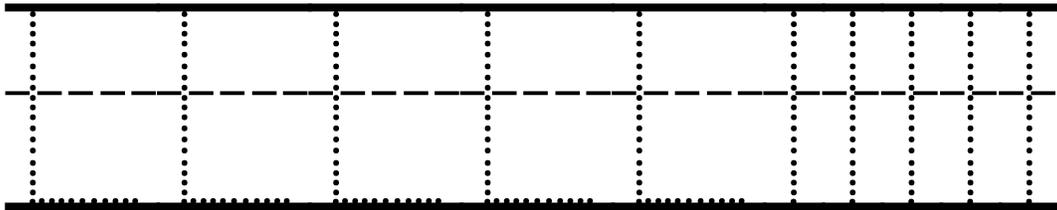
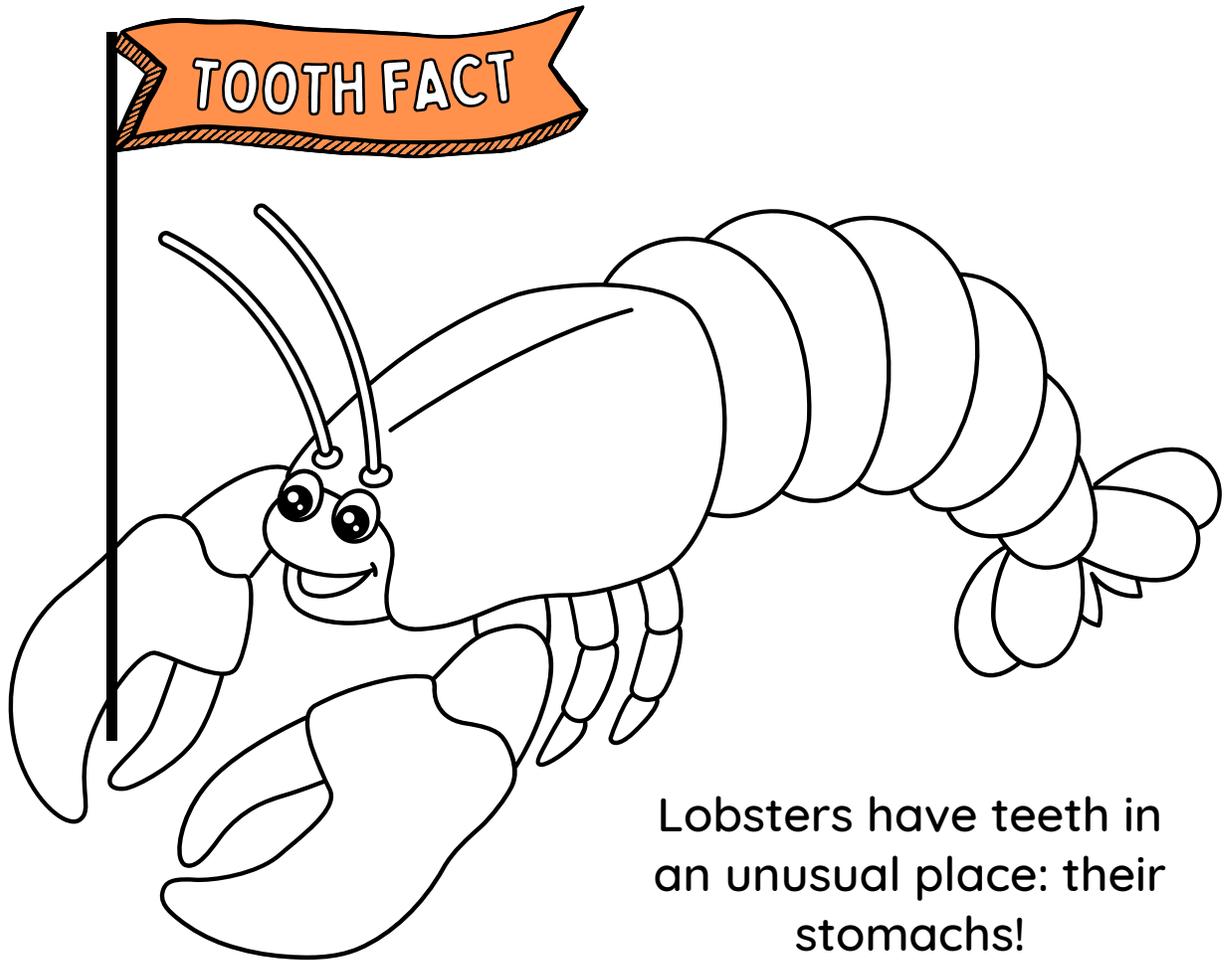


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# L IS FOR LOBSTER

Color the picture and practice writing the letter L.

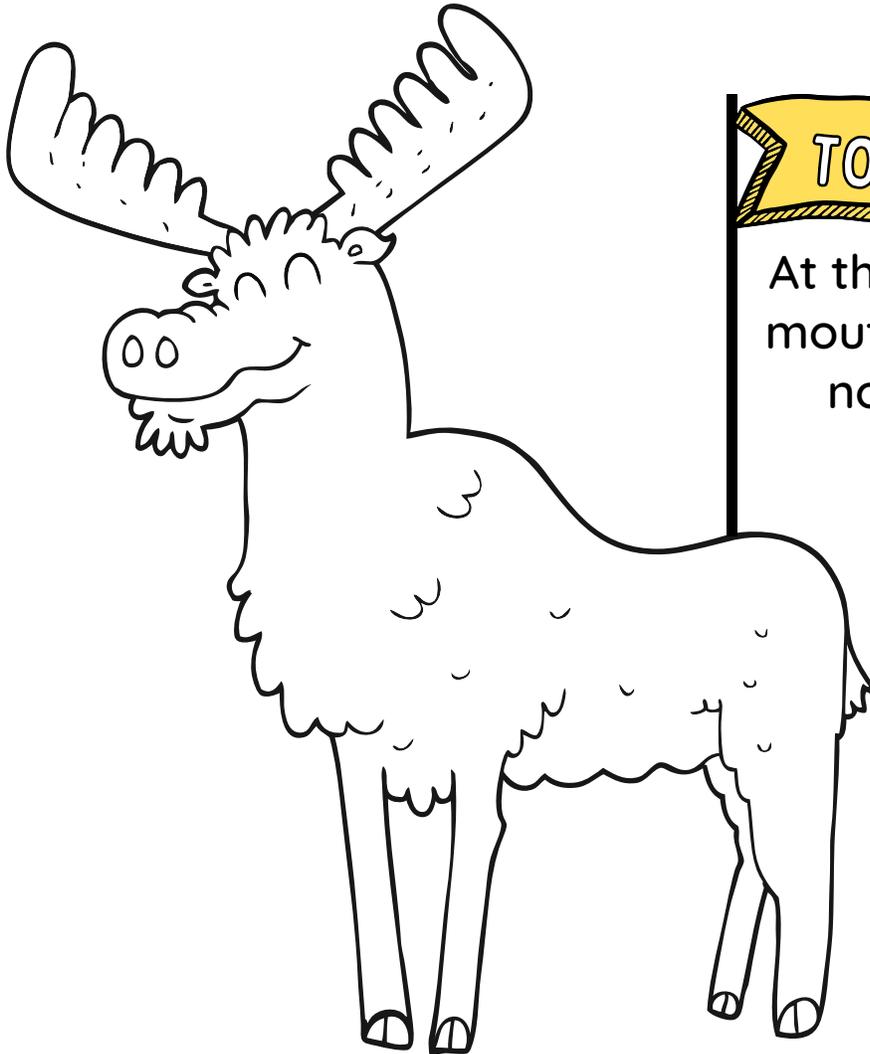


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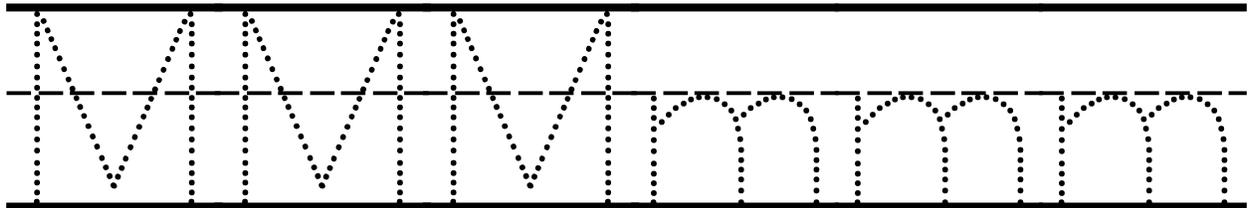
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# M IS FOR MOOSE

Color the picture and practice writing the letter M.



At the fronts of their mouths, moose have no upper teeth!



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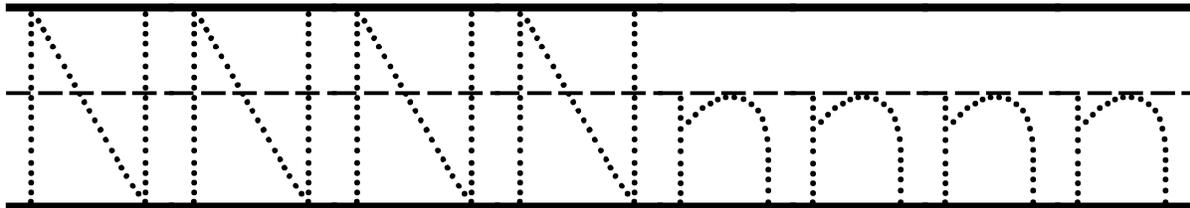
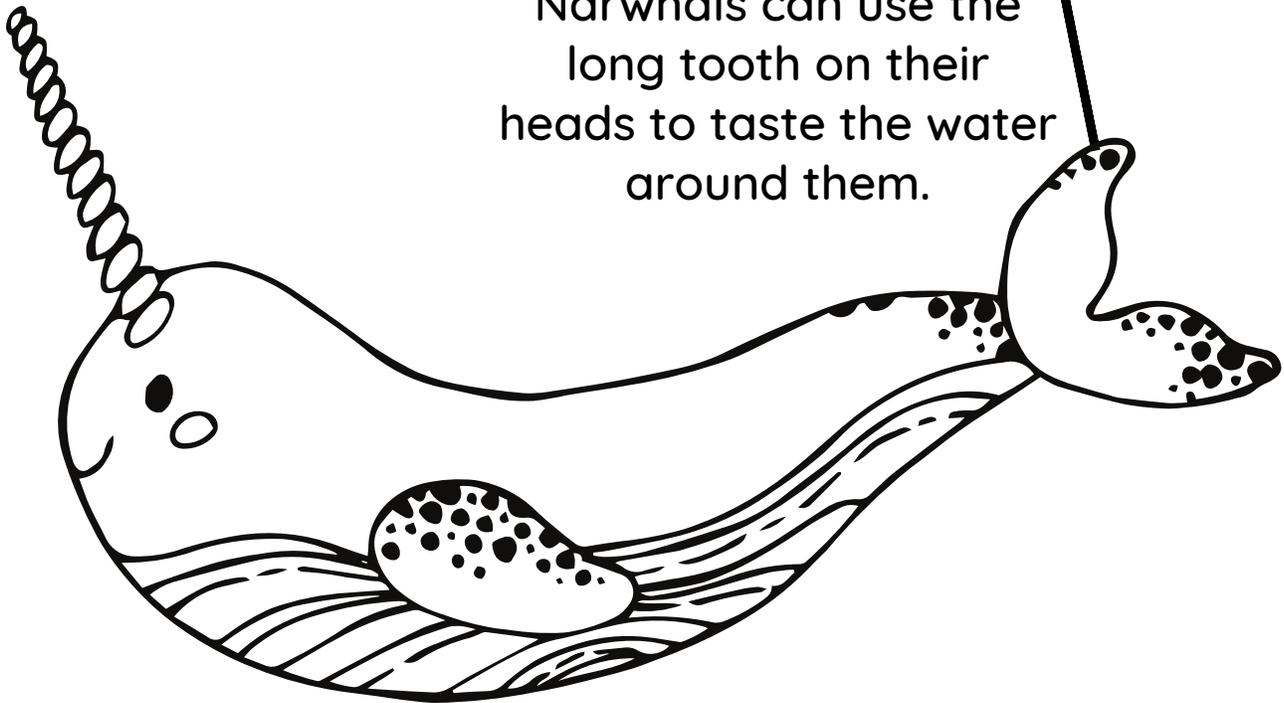
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# N IS FOR NARWHAL

Color the picture and practice writing the letter N.



Narwhals can use the long tooth on their heads to taste the water around them.

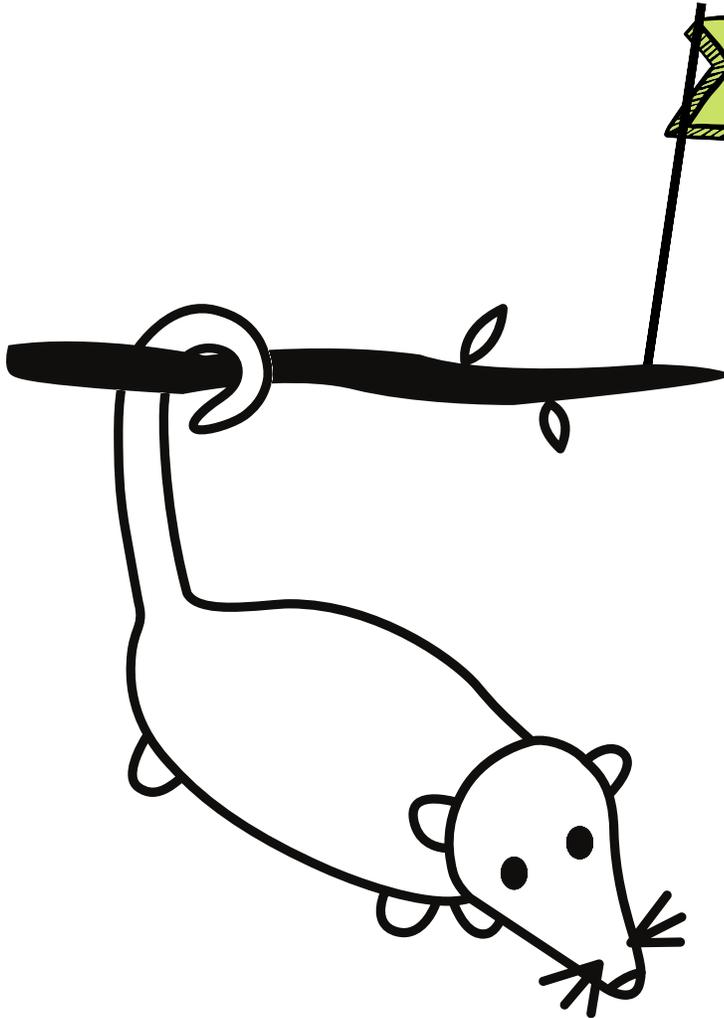


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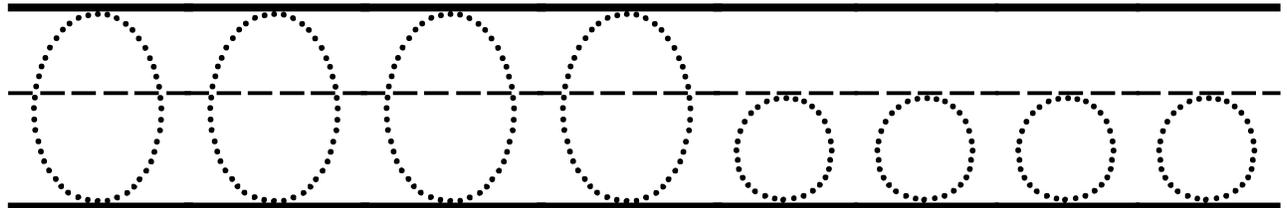
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# O IS FOR OPOSSUM

Color the picture and practice writing the letter O.



Opossums have the largest number of teeth of any mammal in North America! (50)

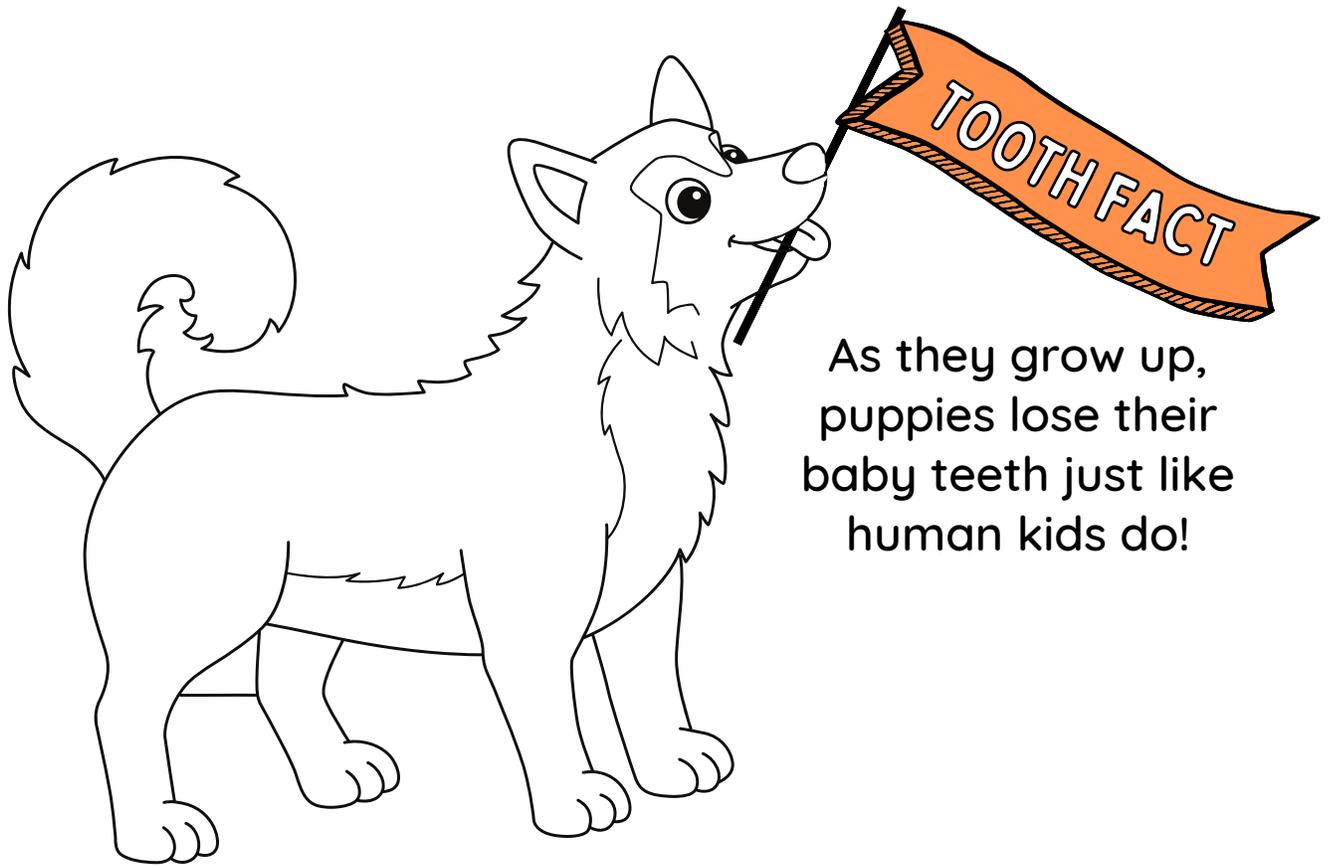


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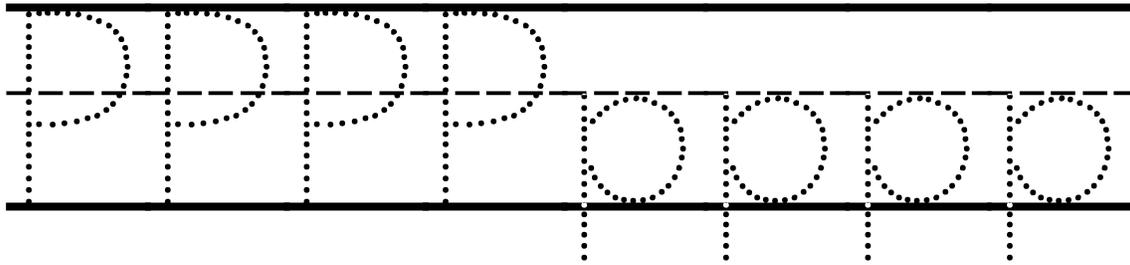
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# P IS FOR PUPPY

Color the picture and practice writing the letter P.



As they grow up,  
puppies lose their  
baby teeth just like  
human kids do!



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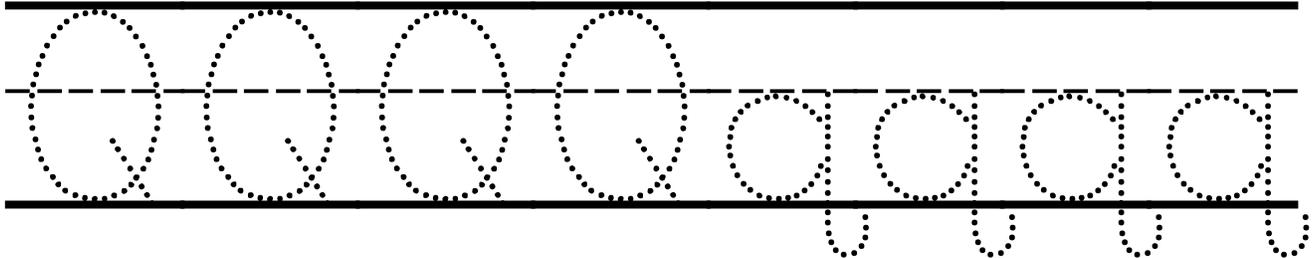
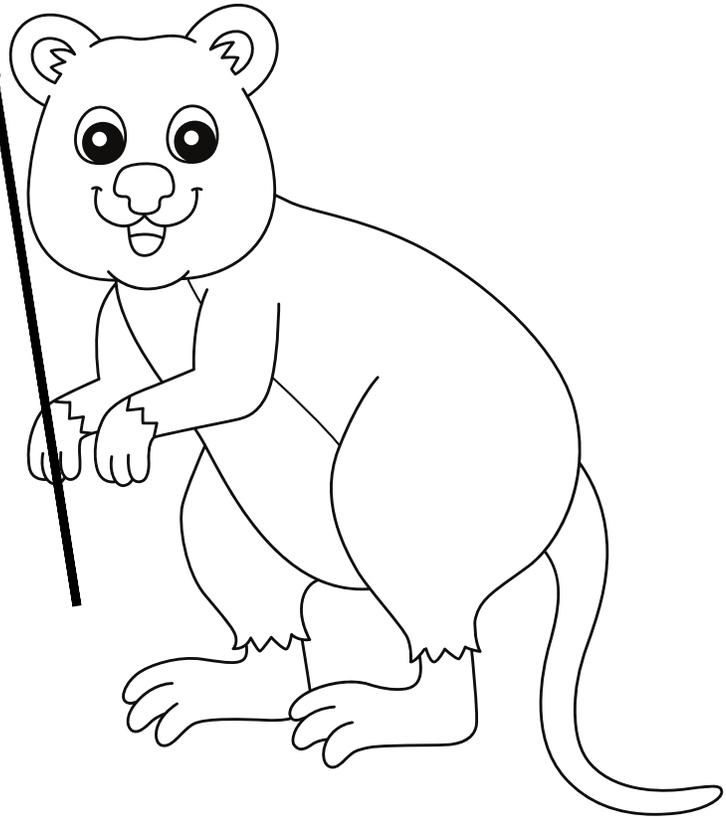
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# Q IS FOR QUOKKA

Color the picture and practice writing the letter Q.



Quokkas are known for being some of the cutest, friendliest animals around. Be careful though—quokkas have super sharp teeth!



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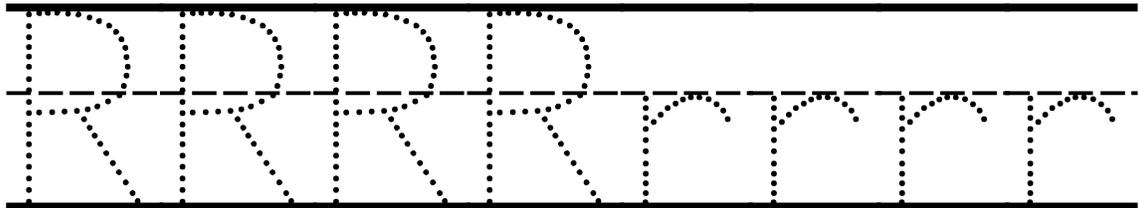
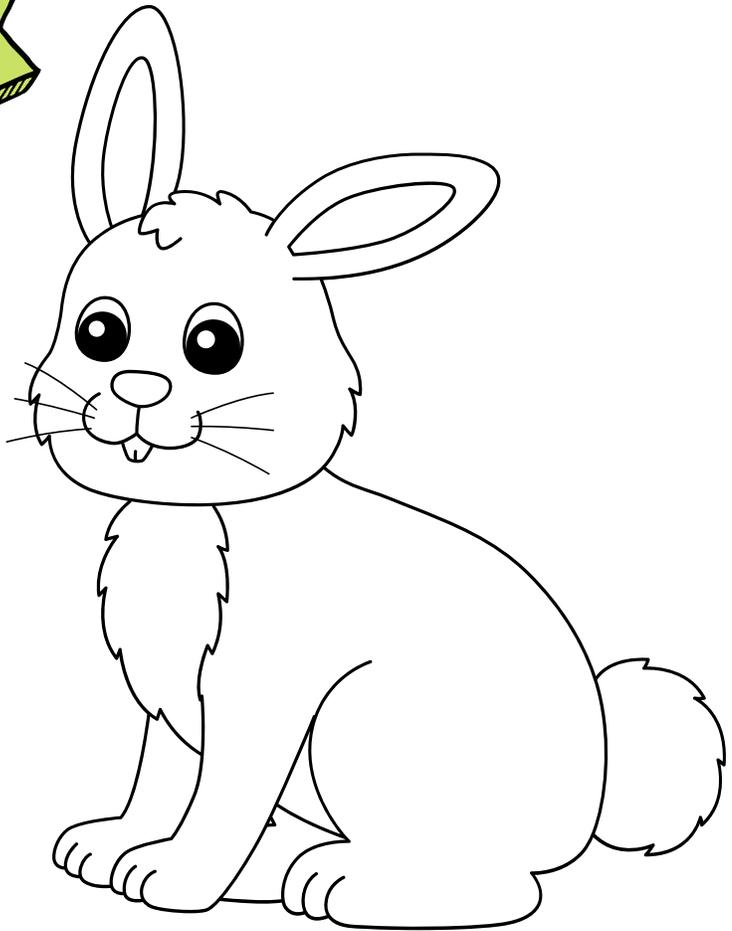
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# R IS FOR RABBIT

Color the picture and practice writing the letter R.

## TOOTH FACT

Rabbits' teeth never stop growing! To keep their teeth from growing too long, rabbits chew on tough foods like nuts and seeds.

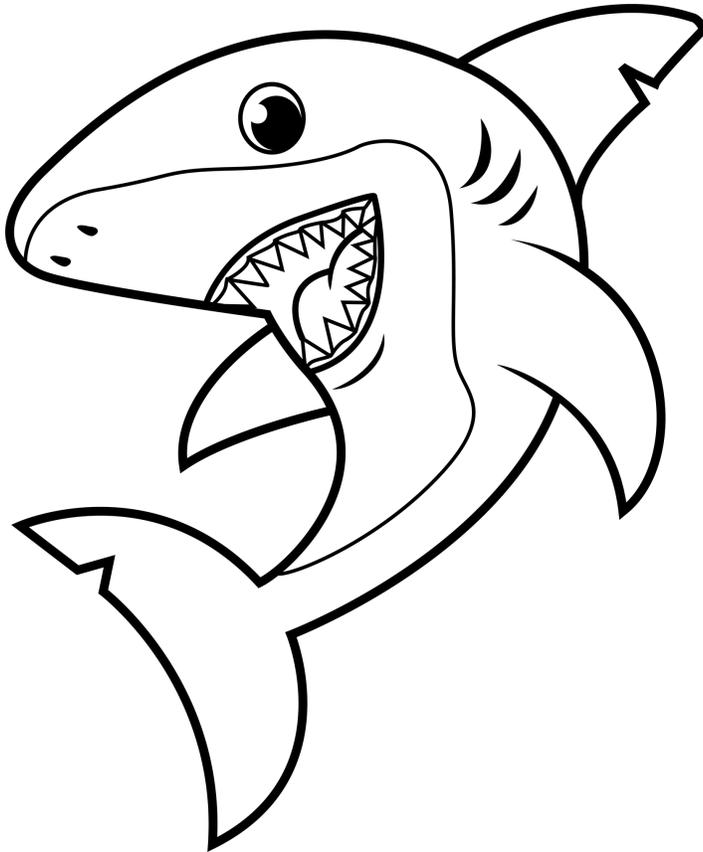


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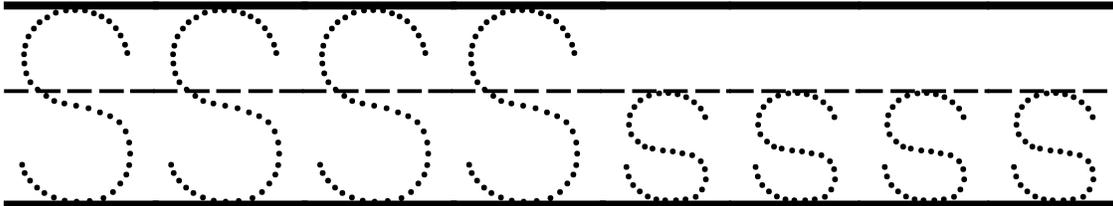
# S IS FOR SHARK

Color the picture and practice writing the letter S.



## TOOTH FACT

Sharks lose one or two teeth per week for their entire lives! They have a unique ability to keep growing new teeth to replace the ones that are lost.



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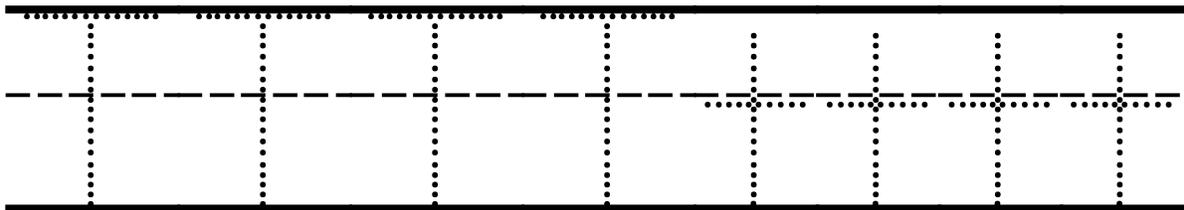
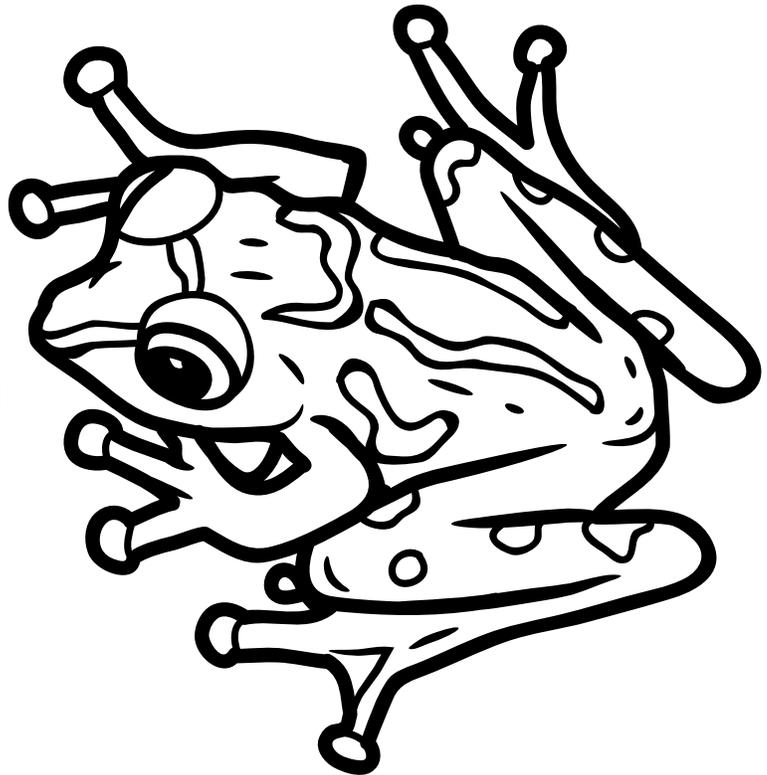
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# T IS FOR TREE FROG

Color the picture and practice writing the letter T.

## TOOTH FACT

Out of more than 6,000 species of frogs, the Dentate Marsupial Tree Frog is the only one with teeth on both its upper and lower jaws.



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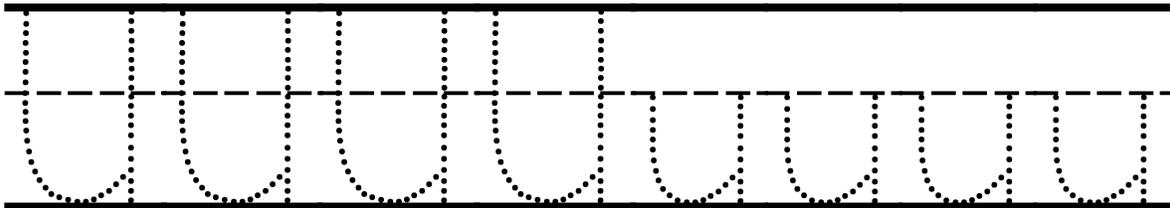
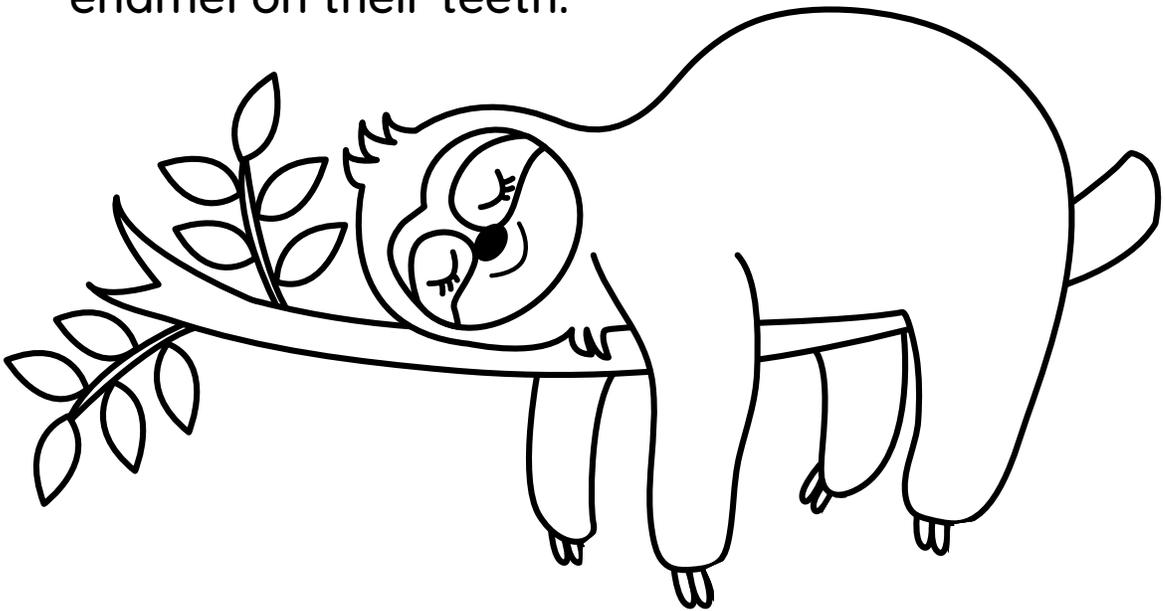
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# U IS FOR UNAU

Color the picture and practice writing the letter U.

## TOOTH FACT

Human teeth have a natural protective coating called enamel. Unau, a type of sloth, have no enamel on their teeth.



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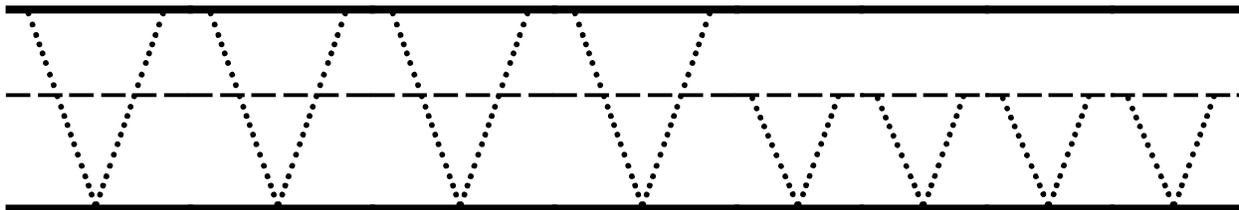
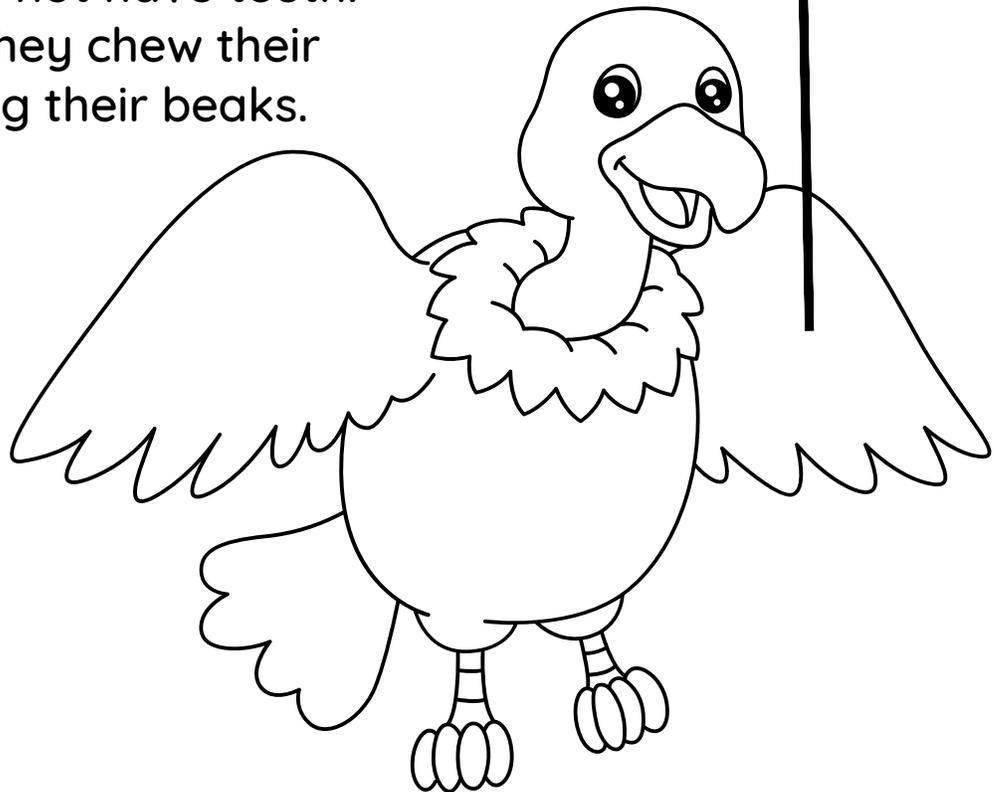
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# V IS FOR VULTURE

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Vultures do not have teeth!  
Instead, they chew their  
food using their beaks.

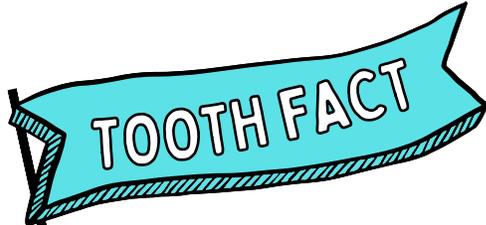


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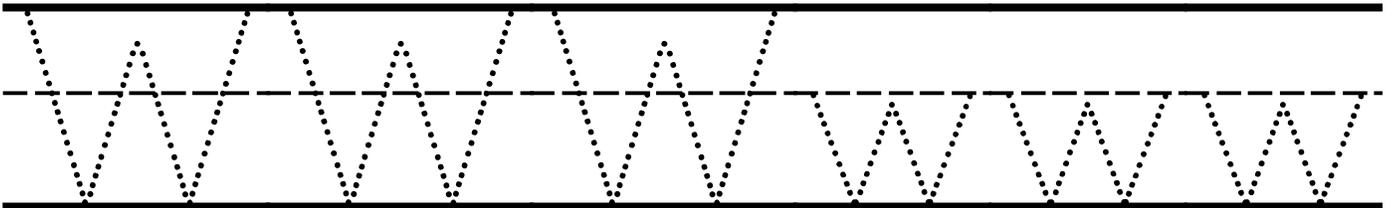
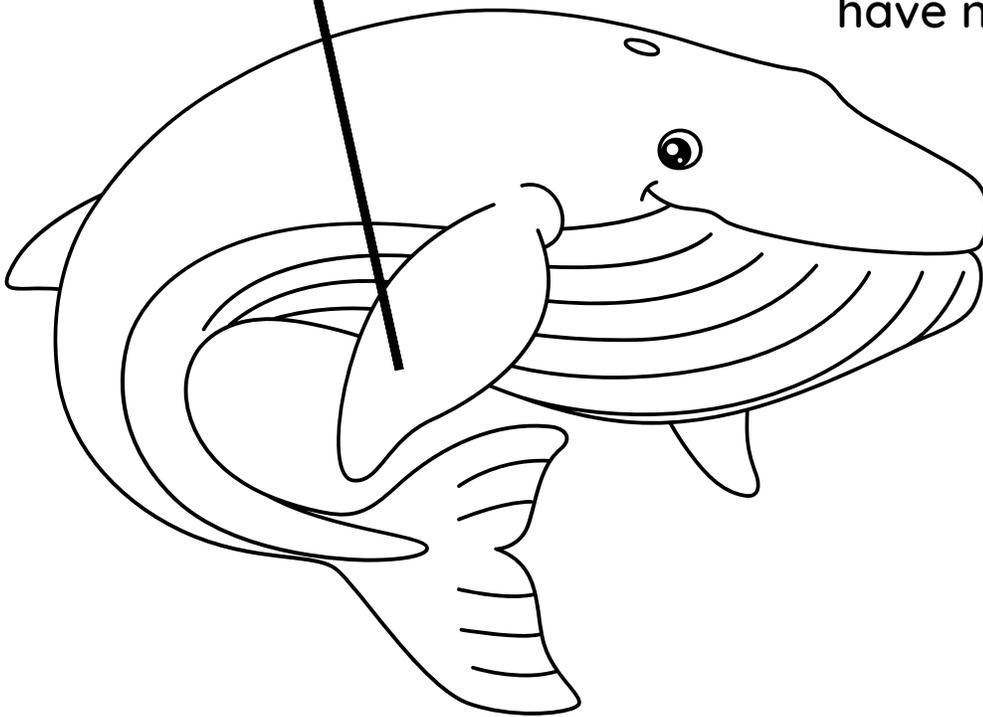
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# W IS FOR WHALE

Color the picture and practice writing the letter W.



Even though they are one of the largest animals on earth, blue whales have no teeth!



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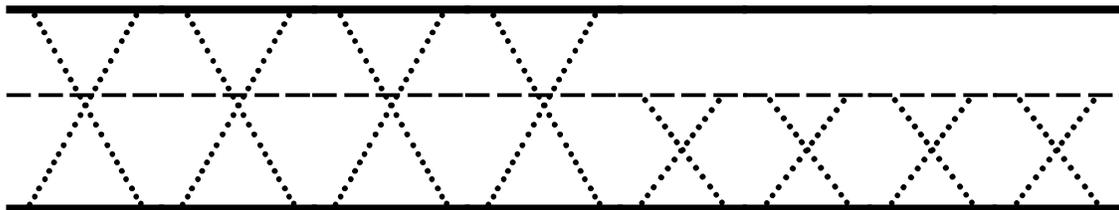
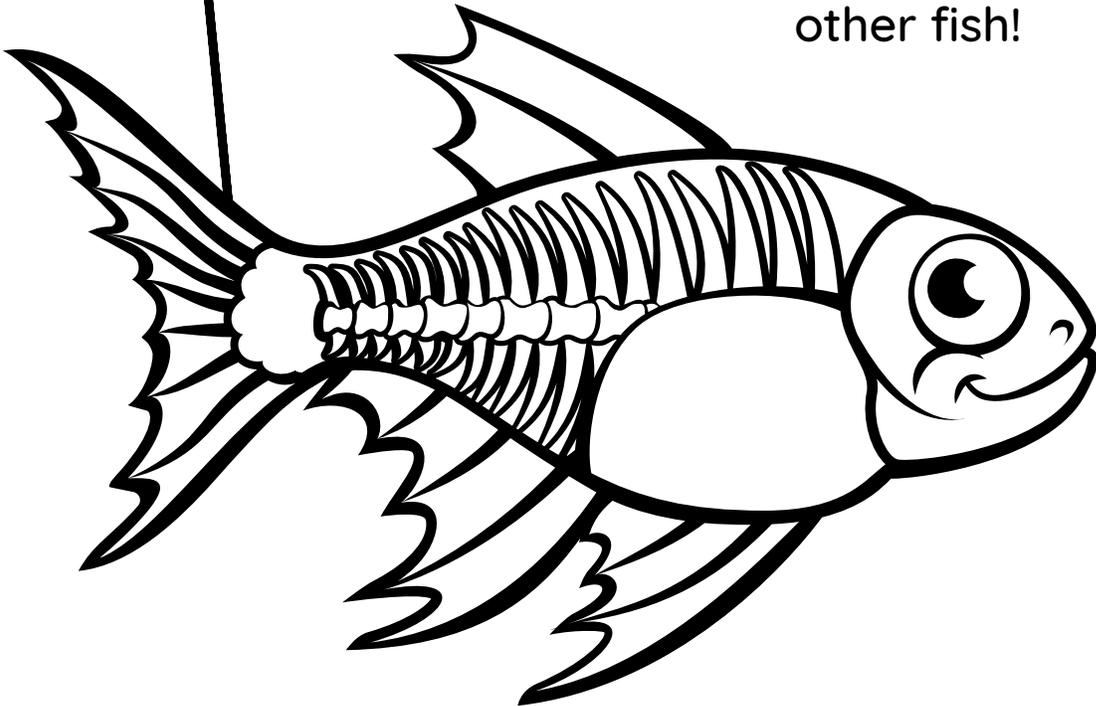
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# X IS FOR X-RAY TETRA

Color the picture and practice writing the letter X.



X-ray tetra fish  
clack their teeth  
together to pass  
messages along to  
other fish!

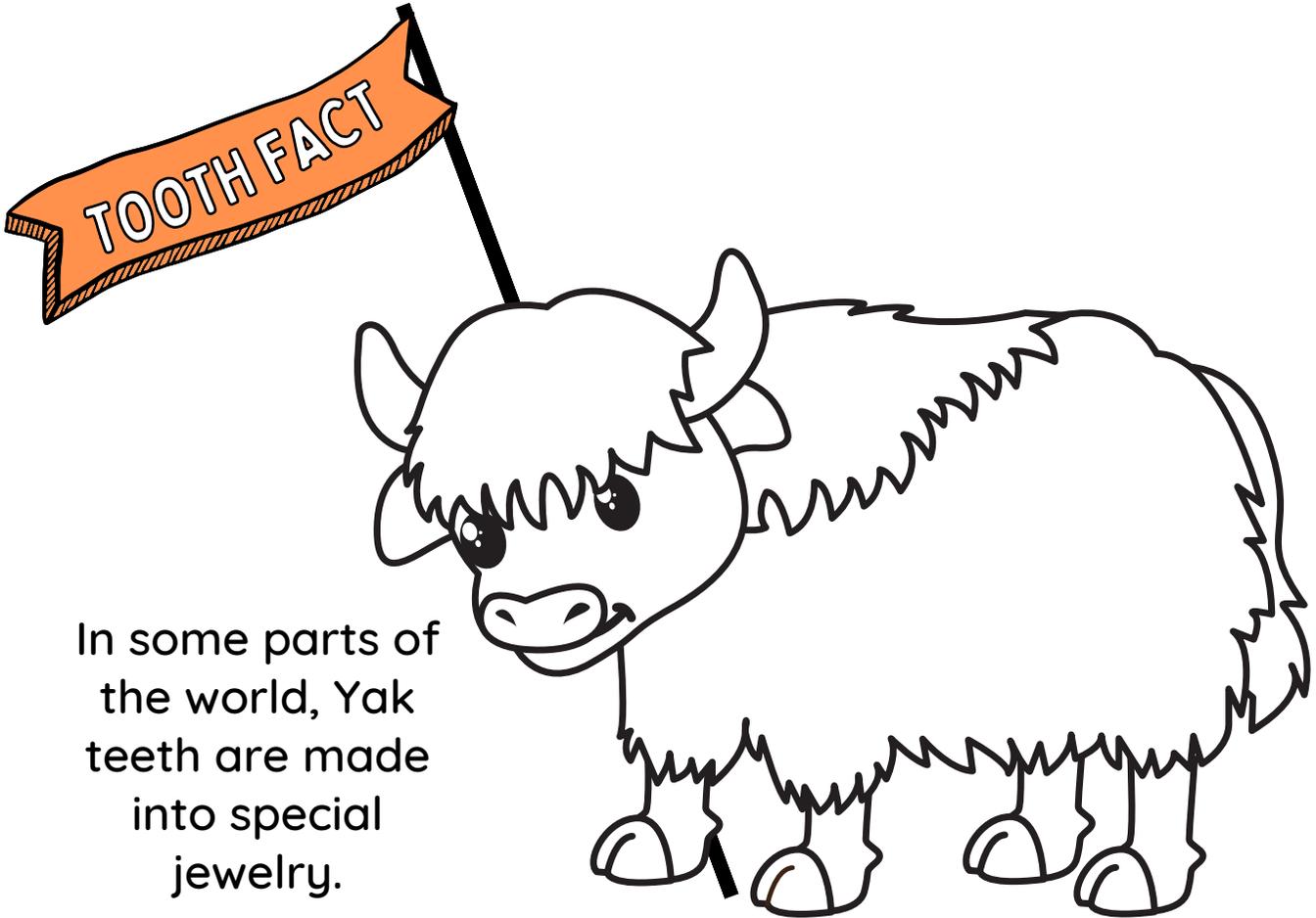


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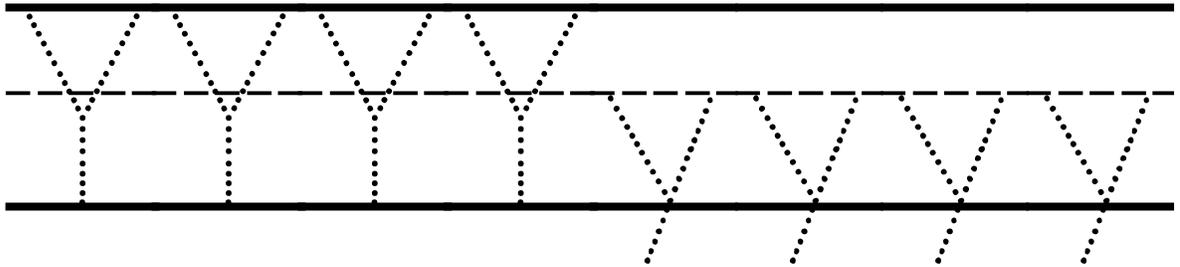
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# Y IS FOR YAK

Color the picture and practice writing the letter Y.



In some parts of the world, Yak teeth are made into special jewelry.



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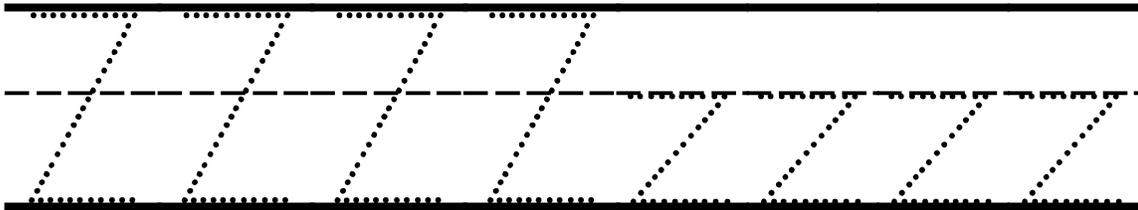
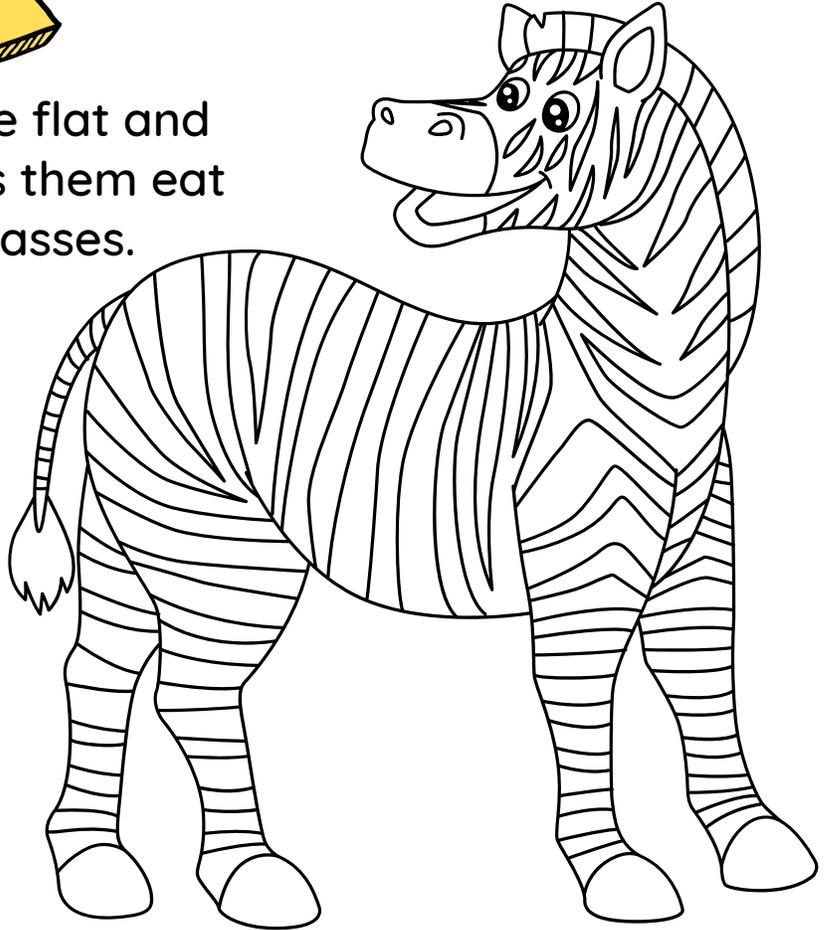
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# Z IS FOR ZEBRA

Color the picture and practice writing the letter Z.

## TOOTH FACT

Zebras' teeth are flat and strong. This helps them eat tough, dry grasses.



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What is the first letter of your name? Write it below, then practice writing your name on the dotted line. Draw a picture of yourself to match—and make sure you show off your awesome smile!

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Your teeth help you smile, speak, and eat your favorite foods! You can take good care of your teeth by brushing, flossing, choosing healthy foods, and visiting the dentist regularly.

To learn more about teeth, your family can visit us at the National Museum of Dentistry in person or online at [www.dentalmuseum.com](http://www.dentalmuseum.com).

