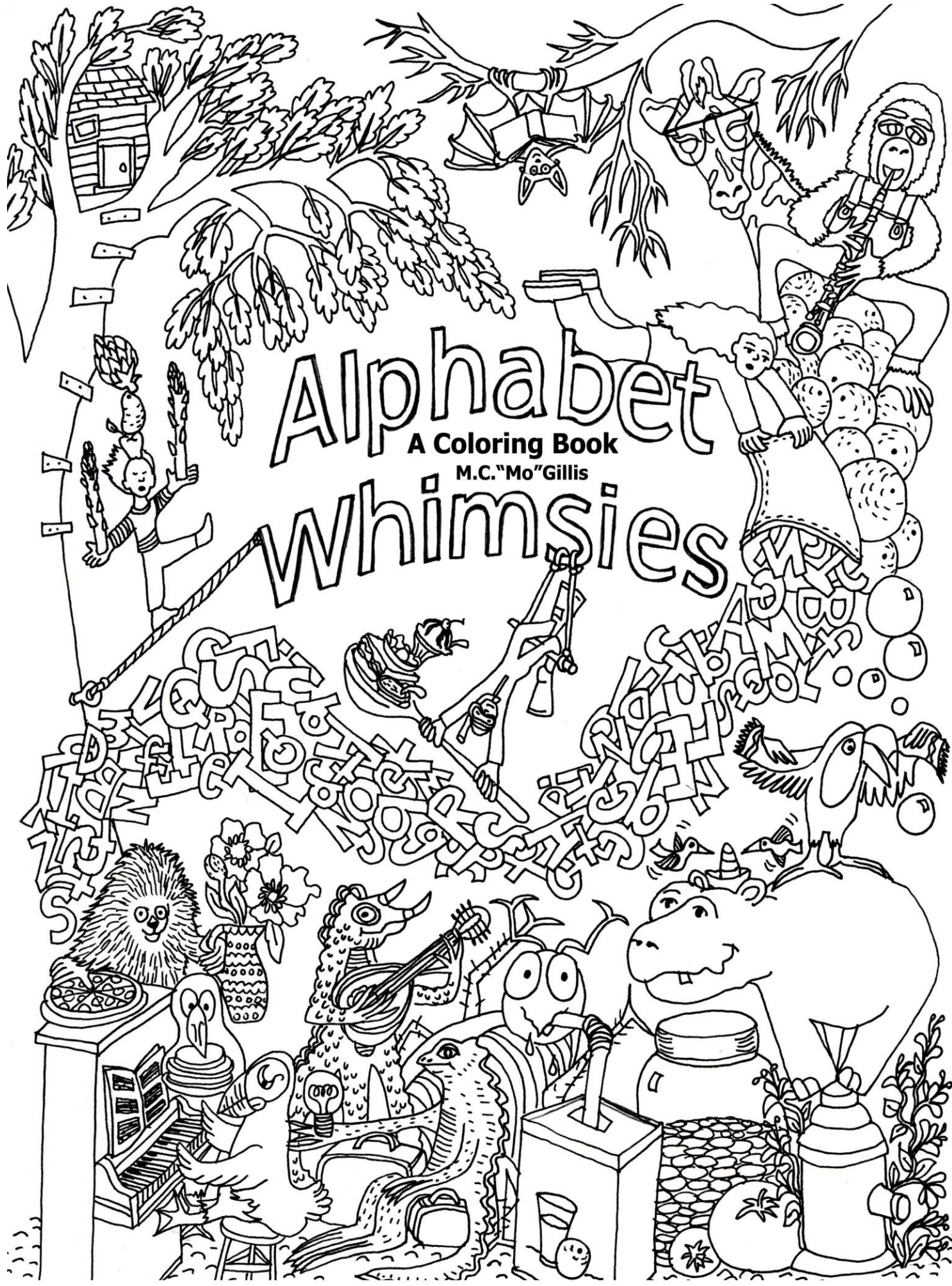


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Dedication

This book is dedicated to the love of learning. Let's encourage curiosity and self-expression in ourselves, others, and most especially in children. Caring for children is caring for the future of humanity and life on our planet. It is a sacred obligation. Whether we consciously acknowledge it or not, we are all teachers and life-long learners. Thanks to all the wonderful people I have been so fortunate to spend time with on this journey called life. Thank you for all the sharing of ideas, loving corrections, support, and encouragement.

Introduction

It is my hope these whimsical ABCs will spark the imagination and ignite an interest in language and learning. The inclusion of a wide range of words encourages the development of a rich vocabulary. In an age of rapidly accumulating information, the ability to sort, categorize and analyze is of utmost importance. Using the categories and strategies listed below, will help learners to understand some basics of how to organize information. The categories make up a database which is the underlying structure of this book. A few definitions of uncommon words included in back.

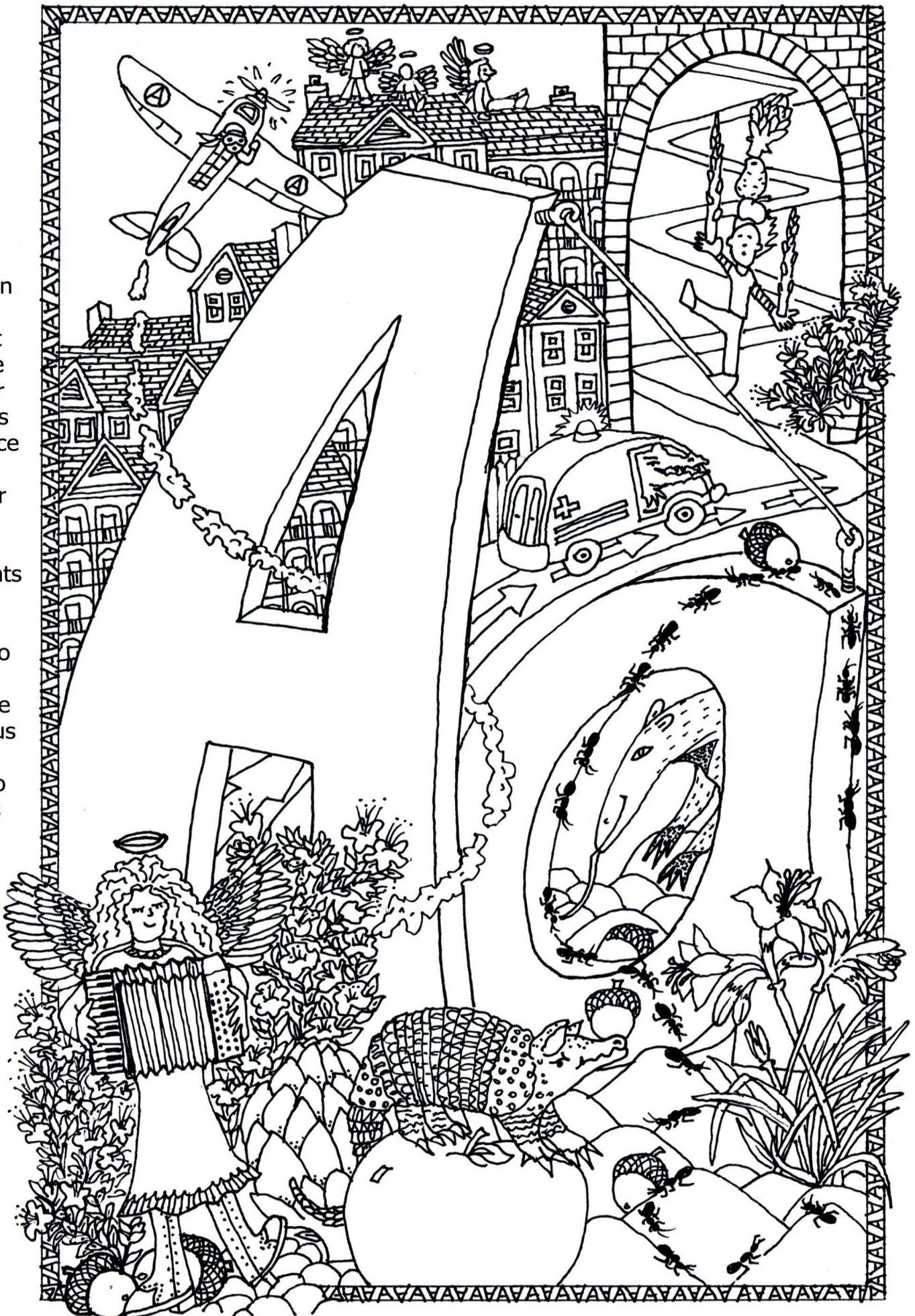
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Transportation	Animals and Insects
Edibles	Tools and Things
Flowers, Plants and Things That Grow	

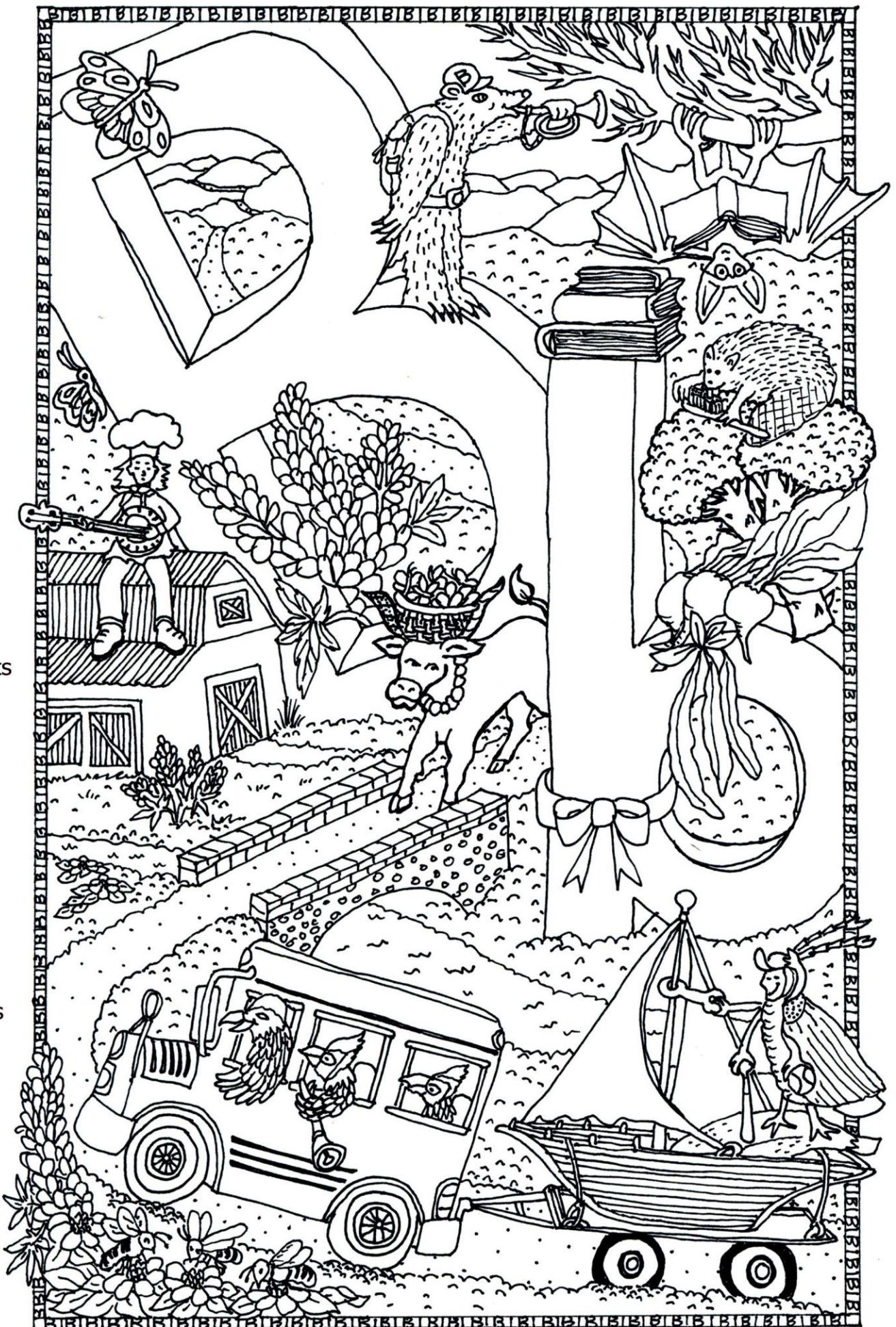
Strategies – Other Ways to Use Booklet Besides Coloring

- 1) Identify as many images as you can that go with the alphabet letter on each page.
- 2) Choose a category and travel through the alphabet page by page. How many can you find in that category? Which page has the most? Which page has the least? Keep a tally on paper to develop math skills.
- 3) List categories on a sheet of paper. Pick a letter and sort all the different items on that page into the categories.
- 5) What things can you think of that begin with this letter, but are not included on the page?
- 6) Who can use the most words beginning with the same letter in the same sentence?
- 7) Make up your own strategies.

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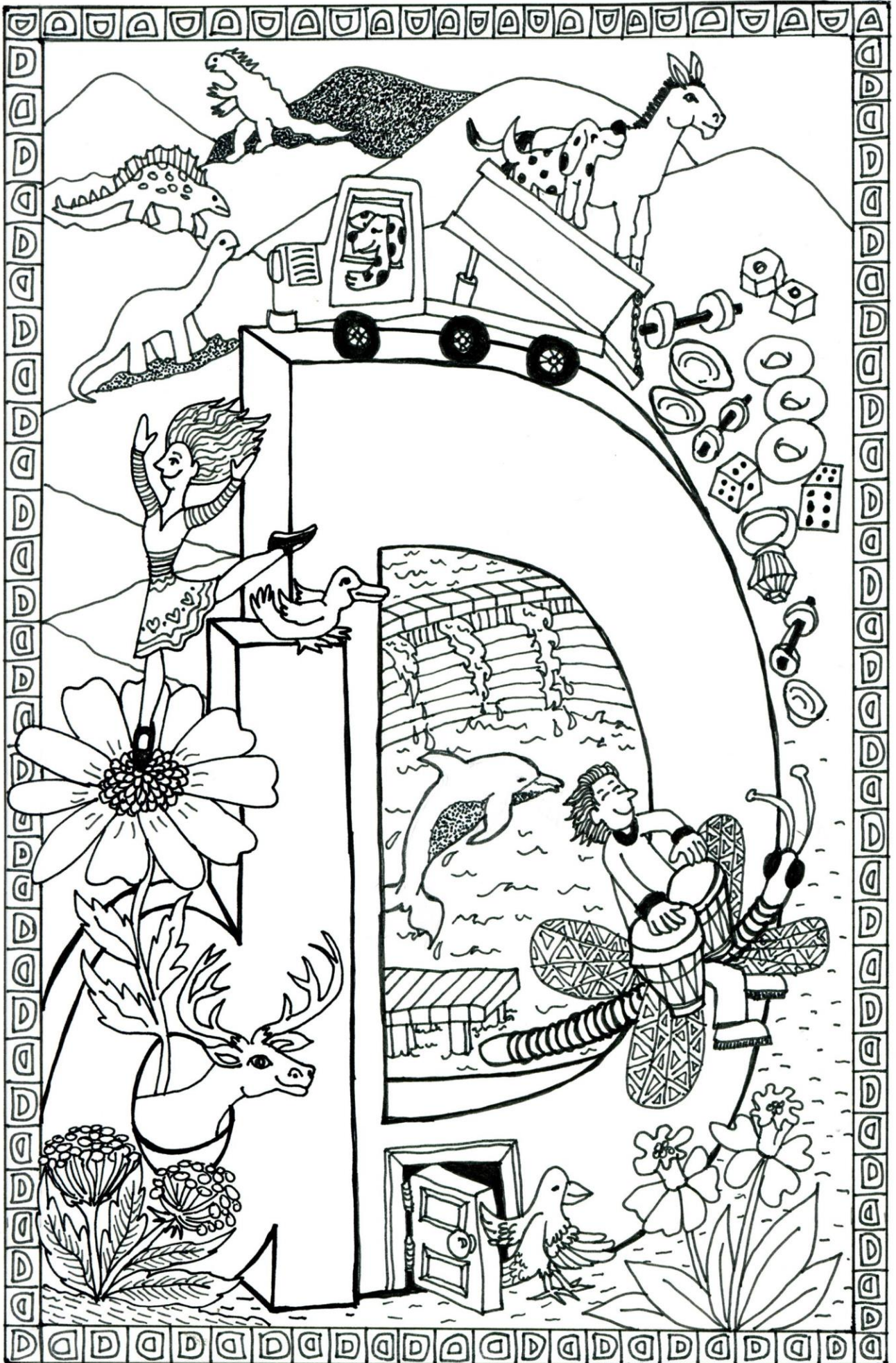
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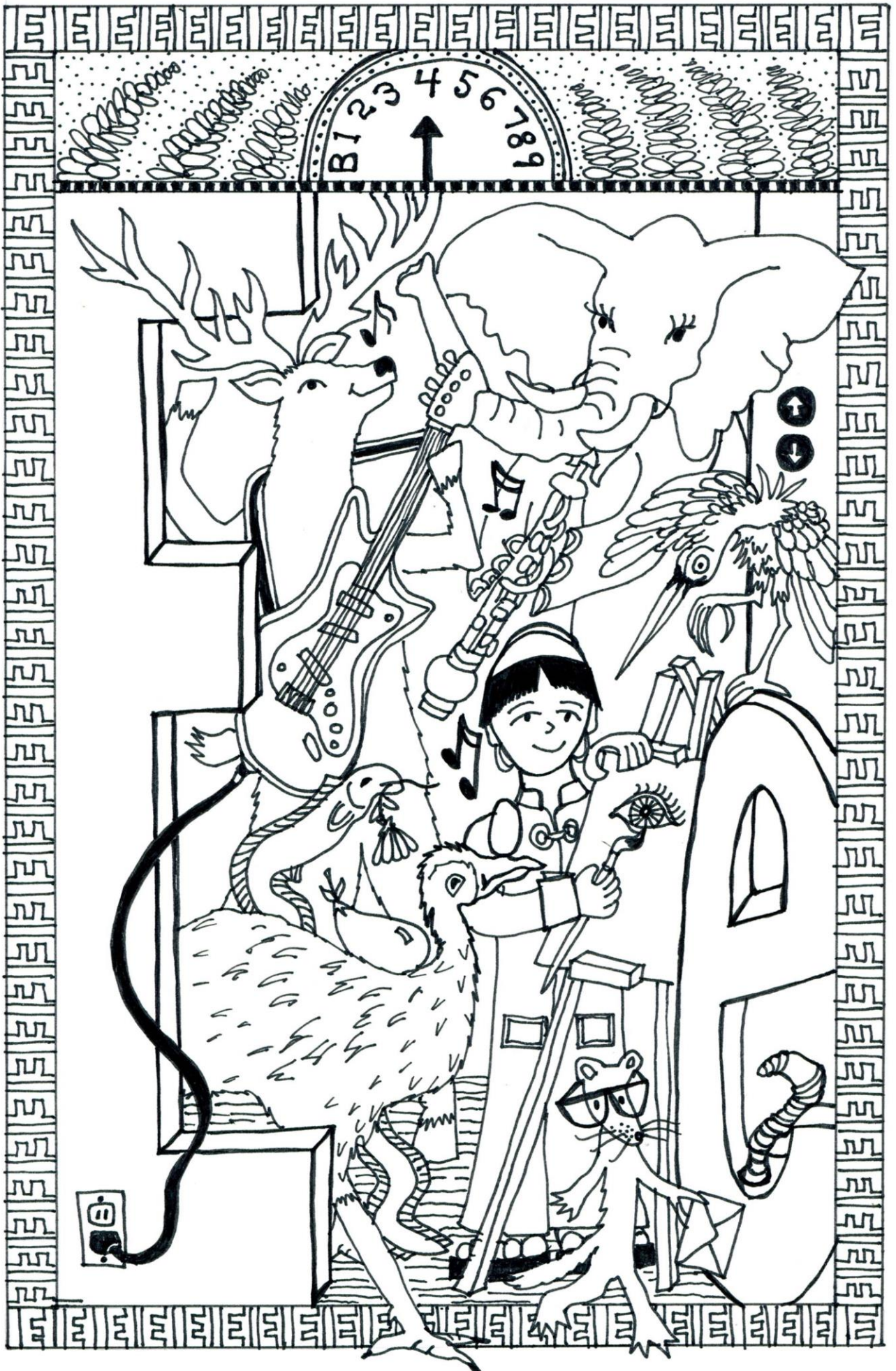
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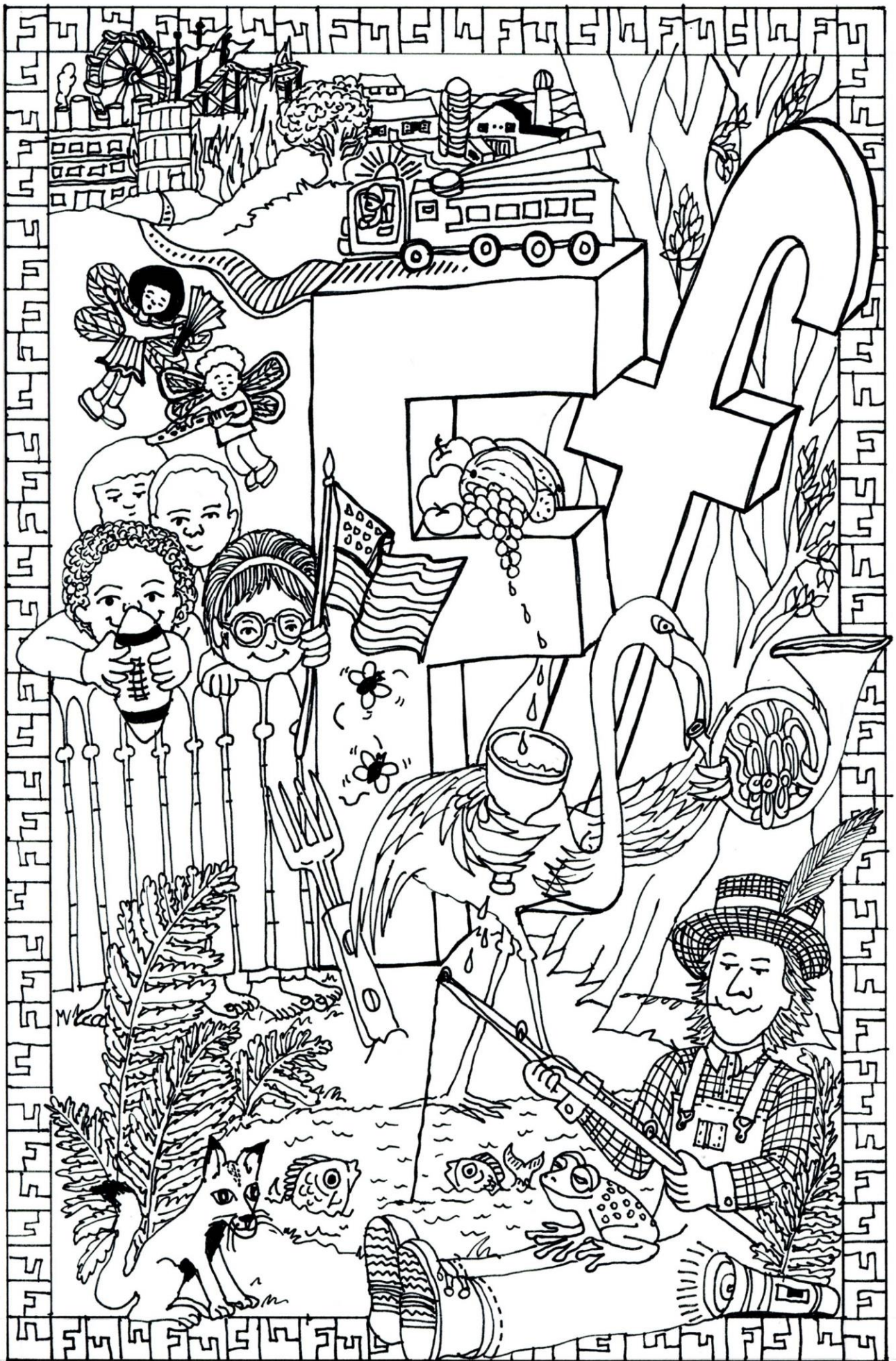
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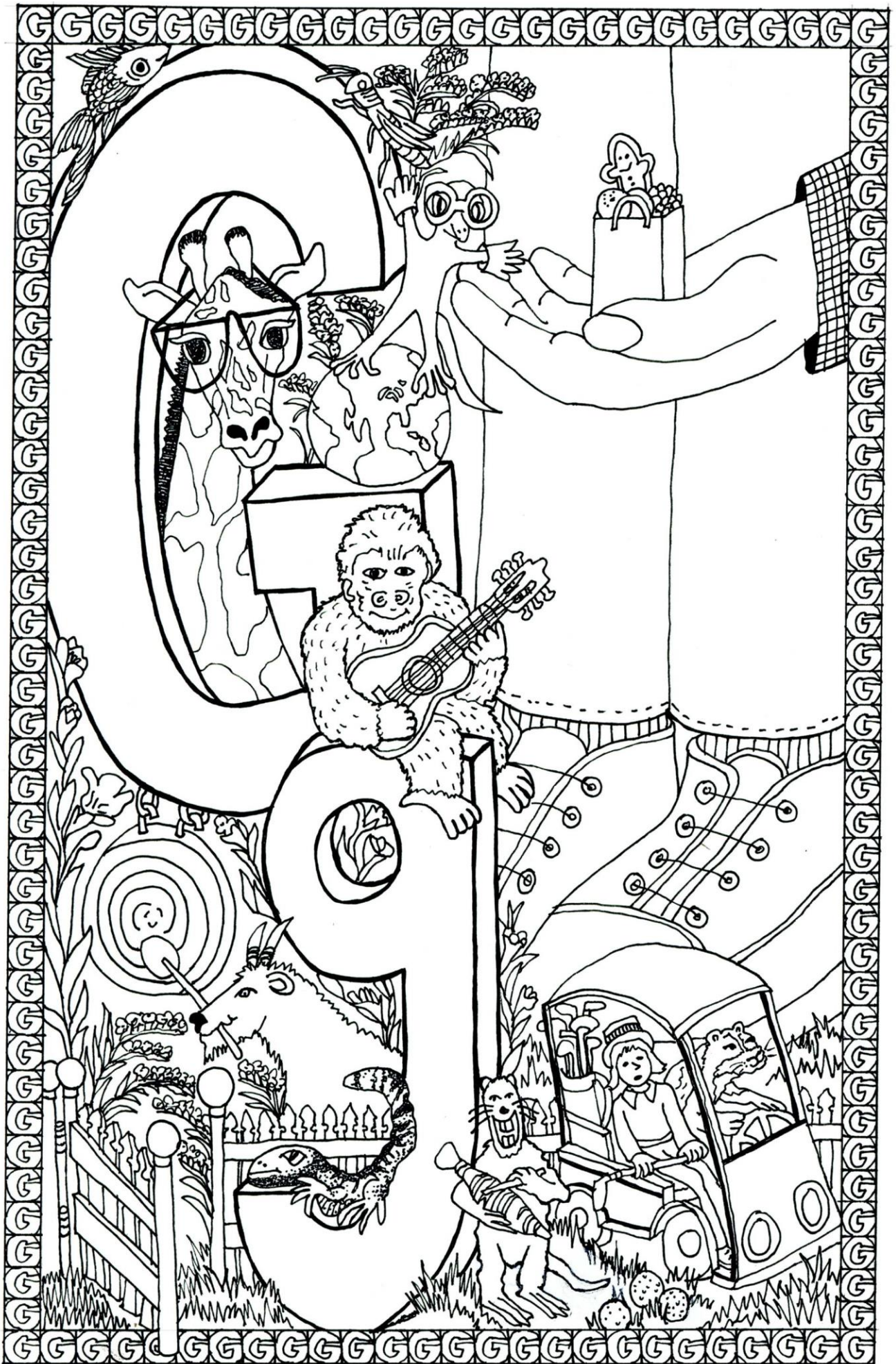
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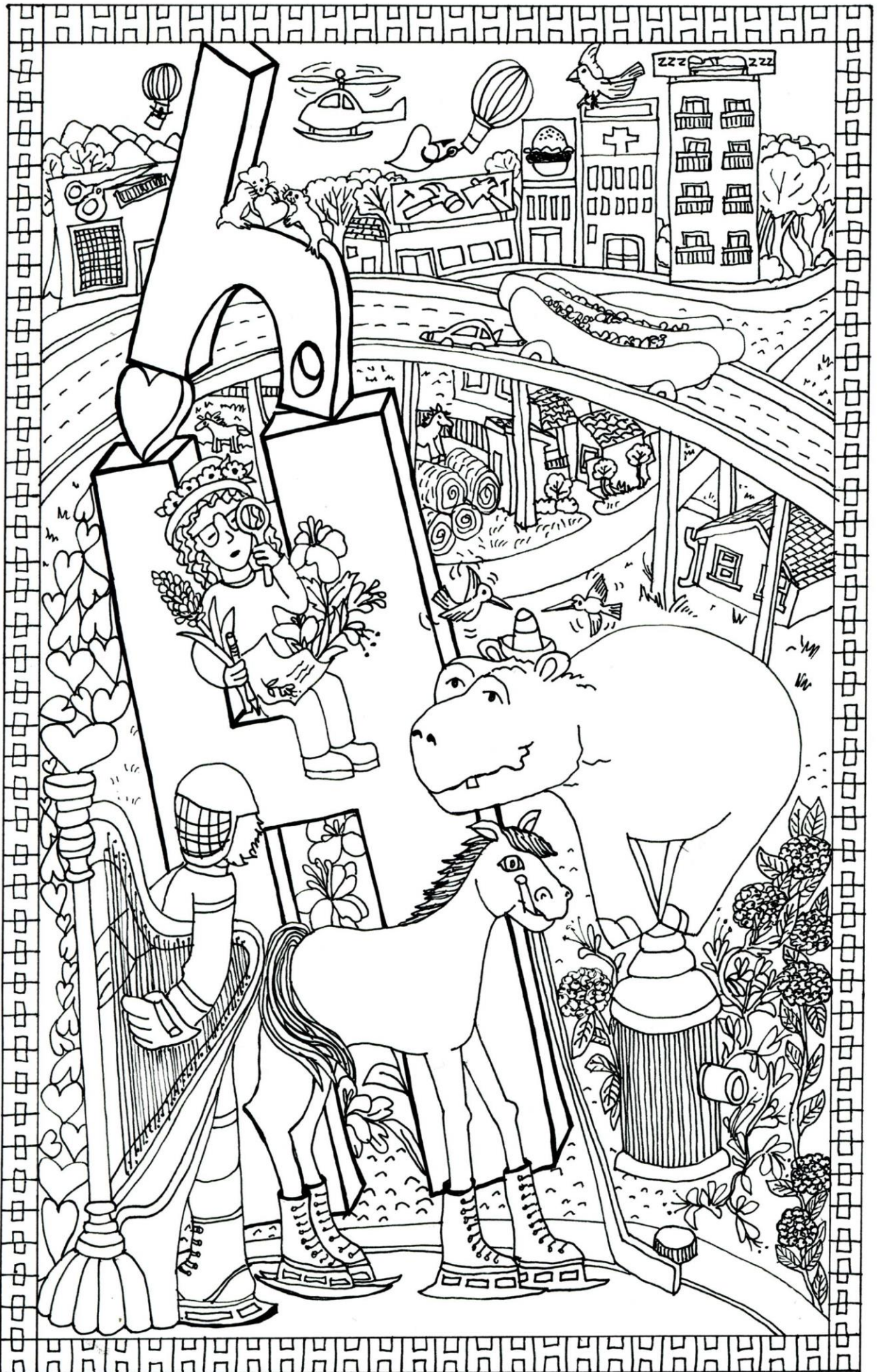
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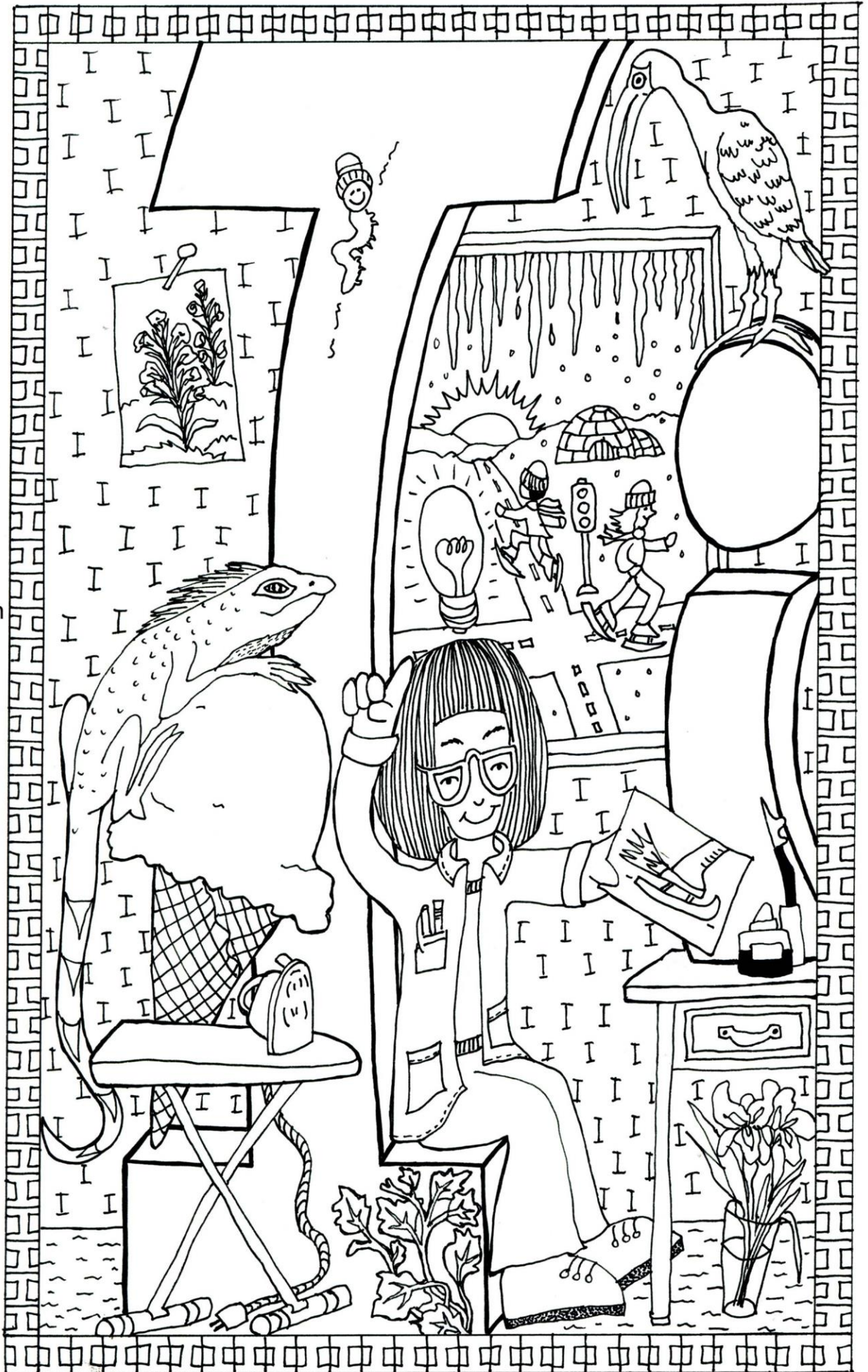
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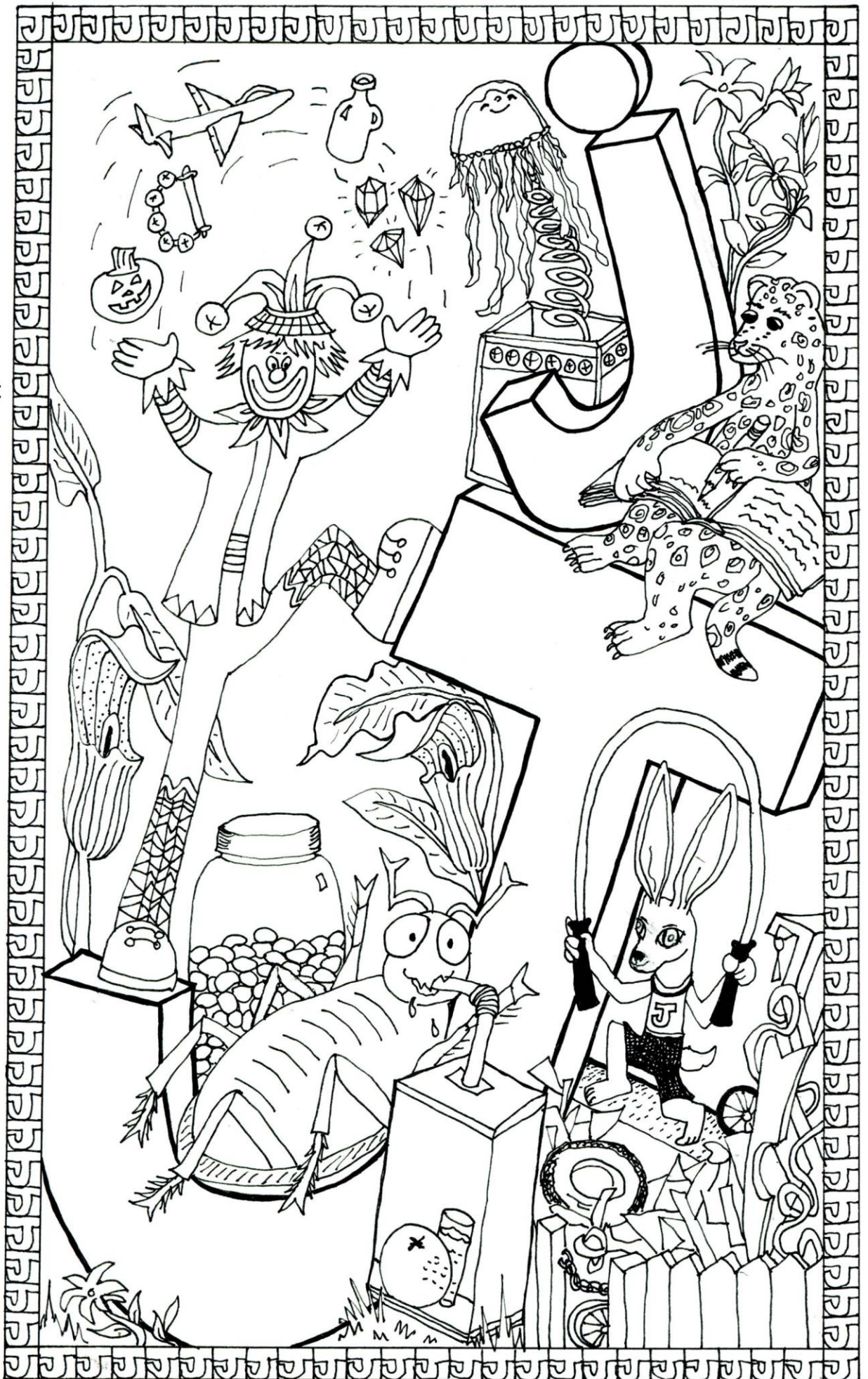
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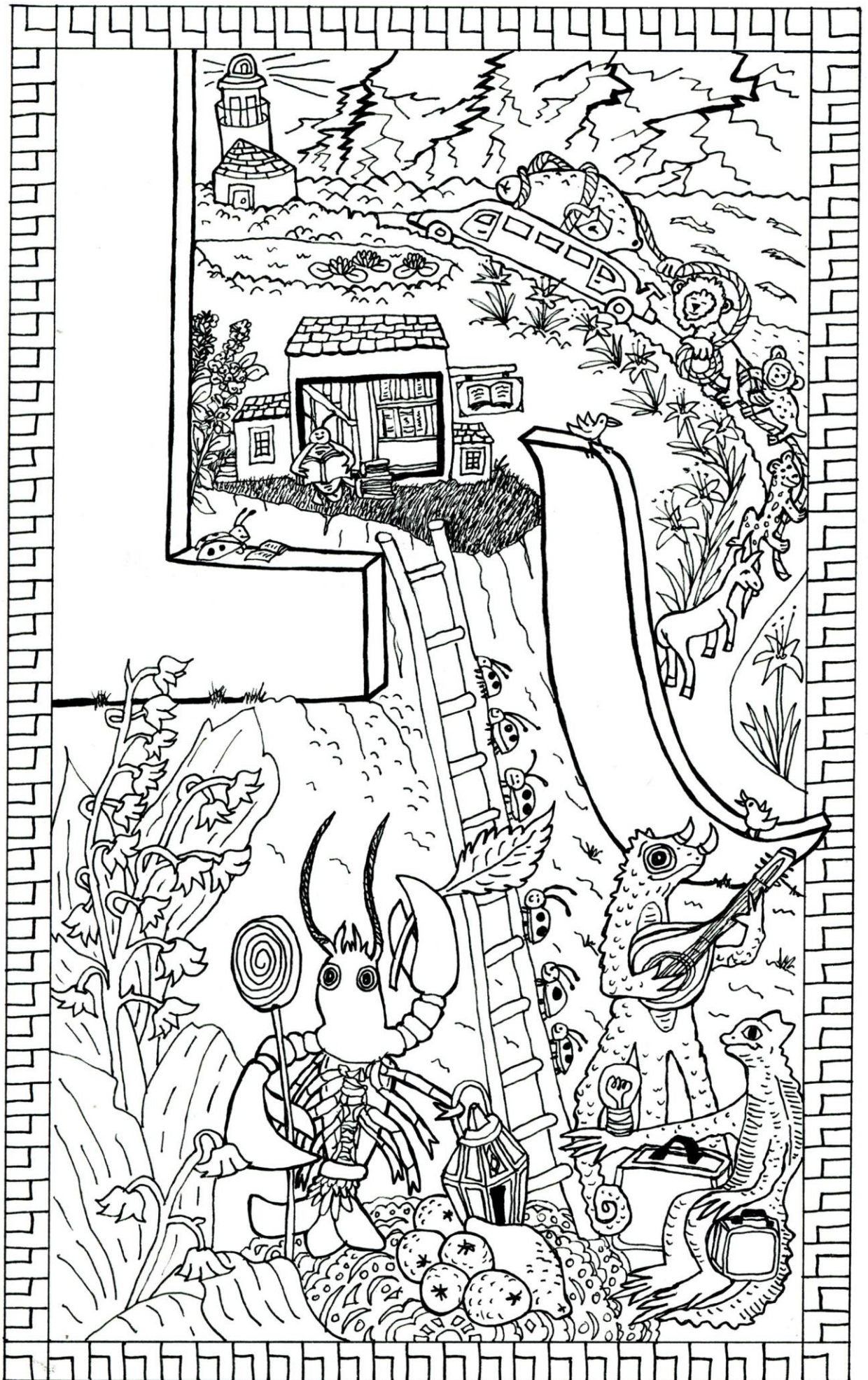
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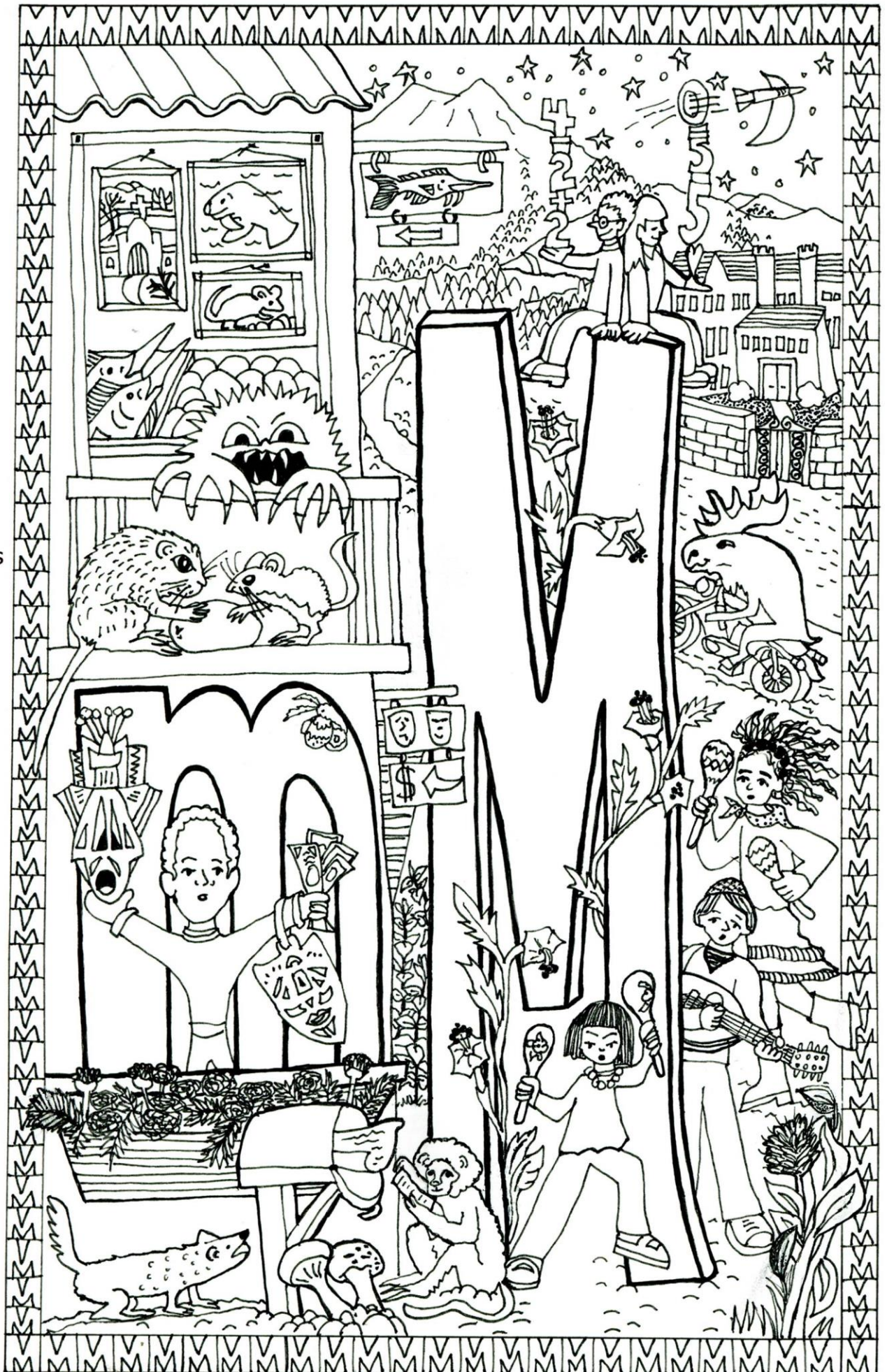
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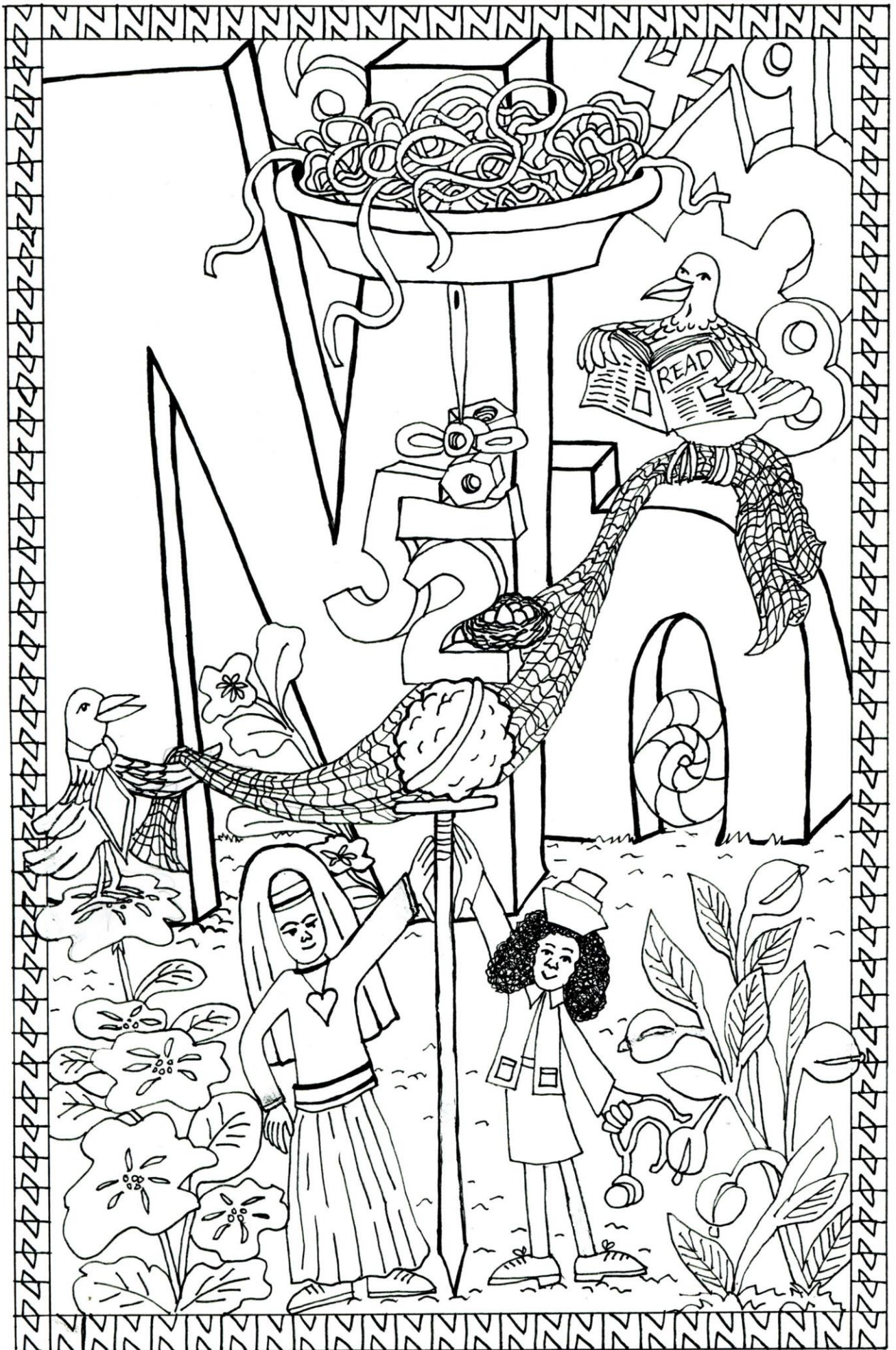
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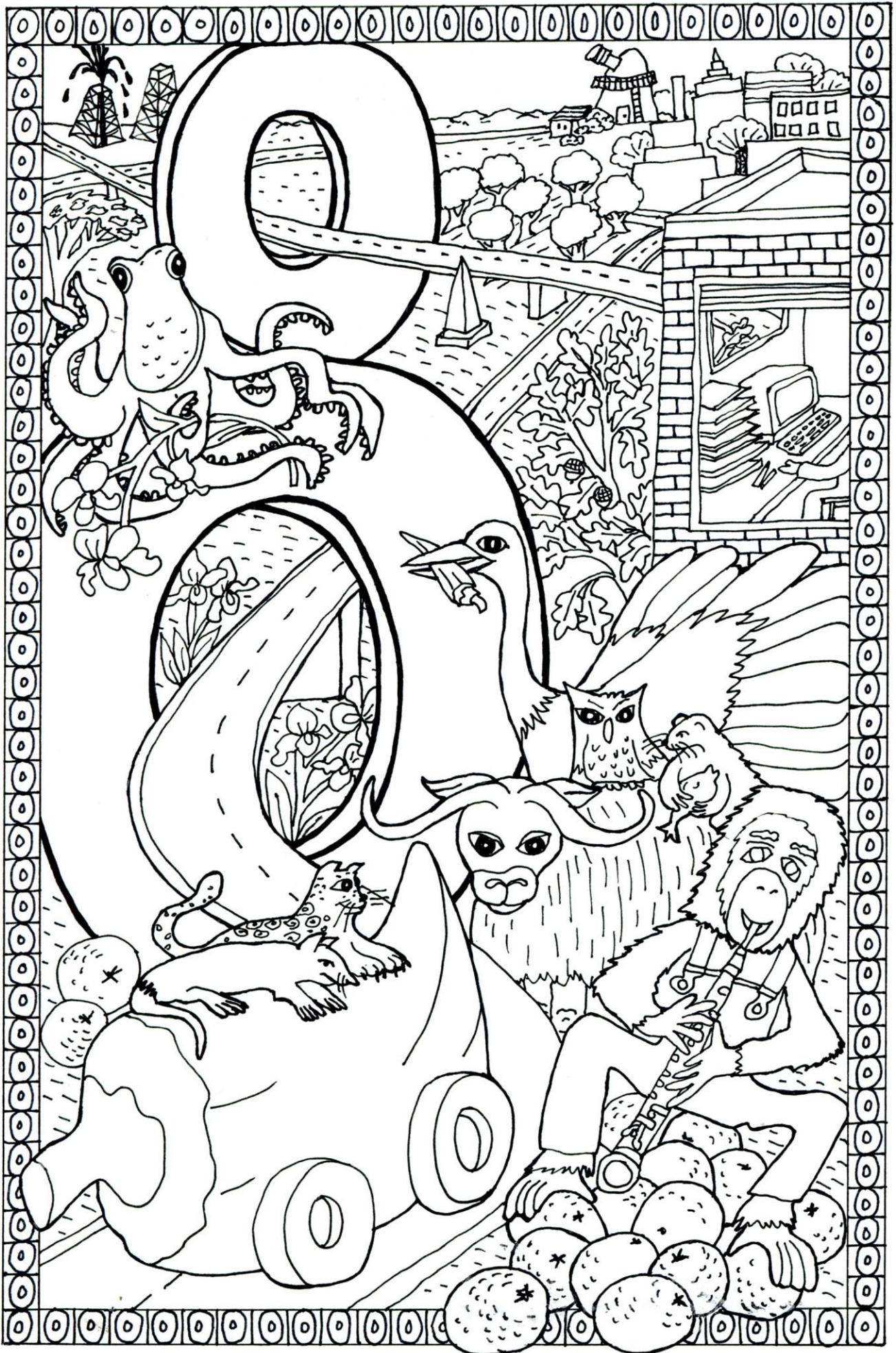
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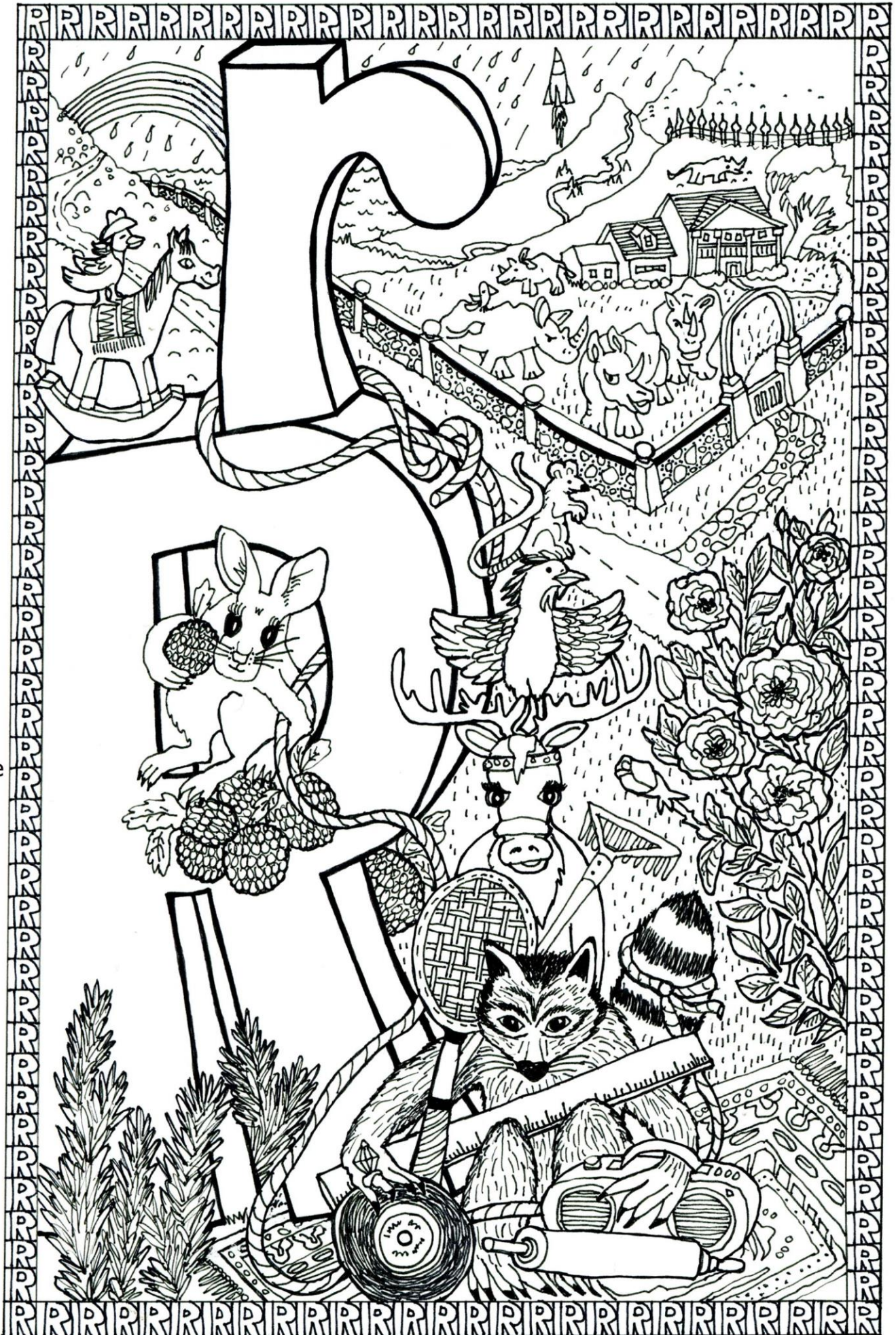
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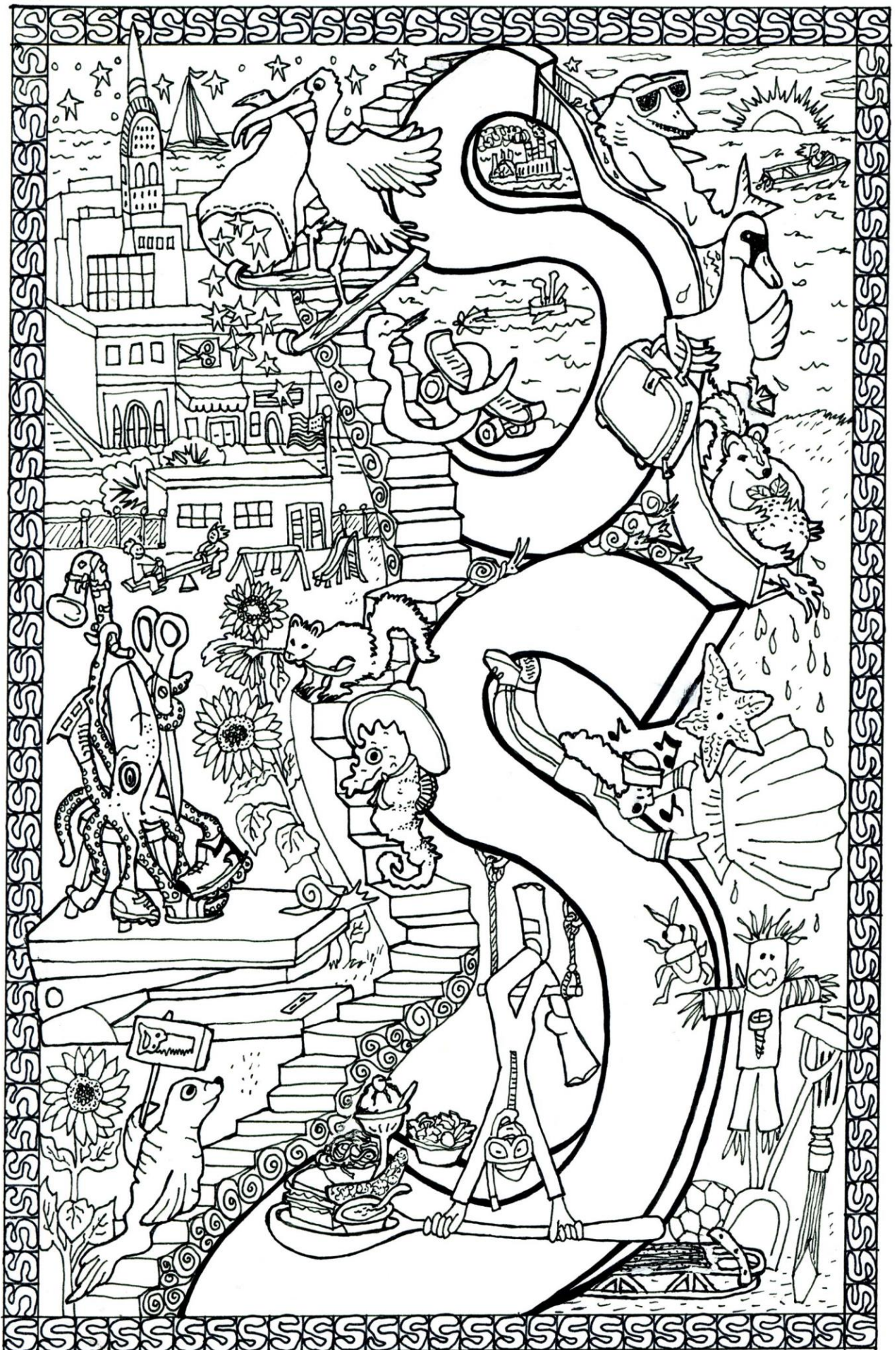
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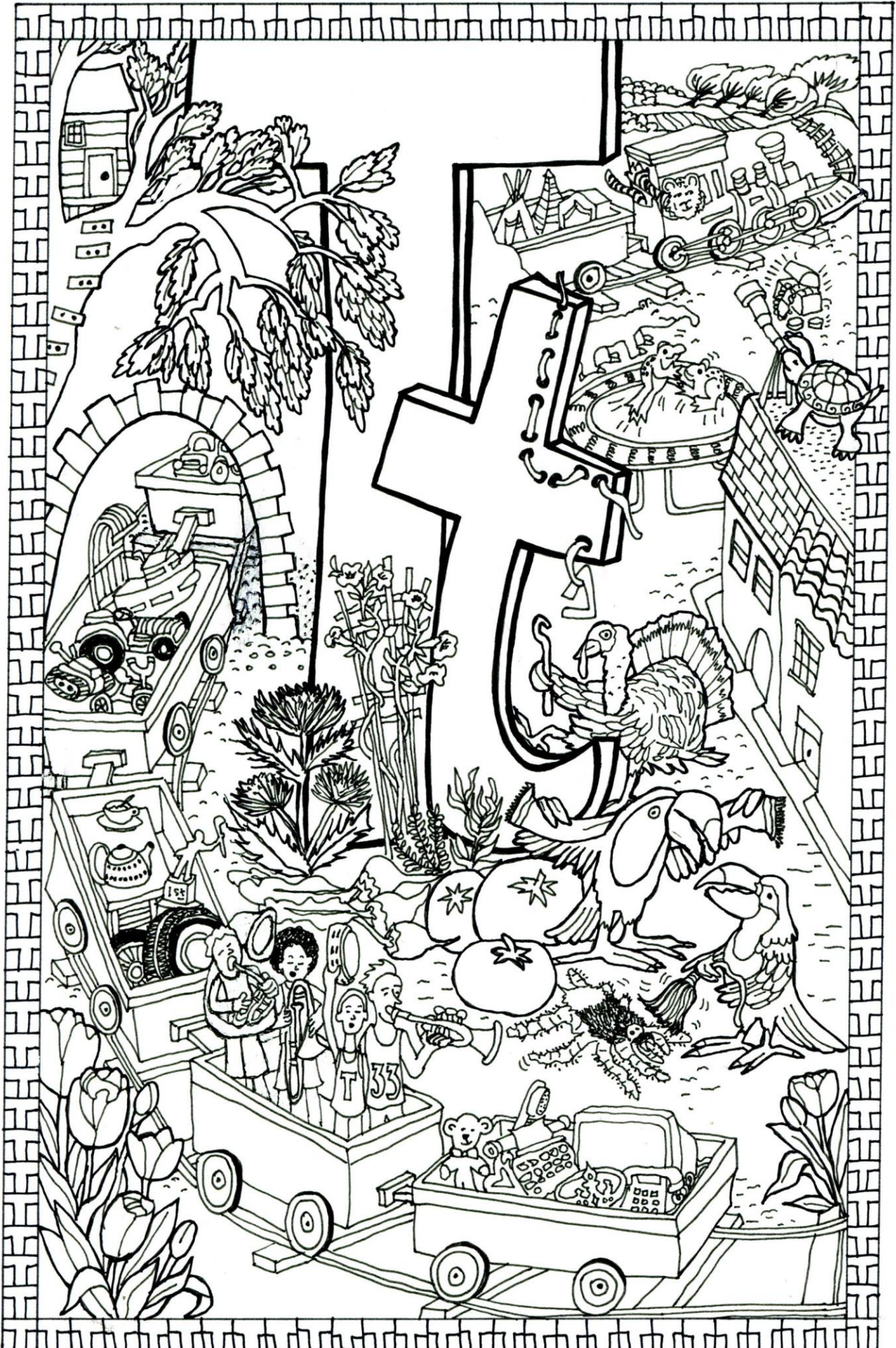
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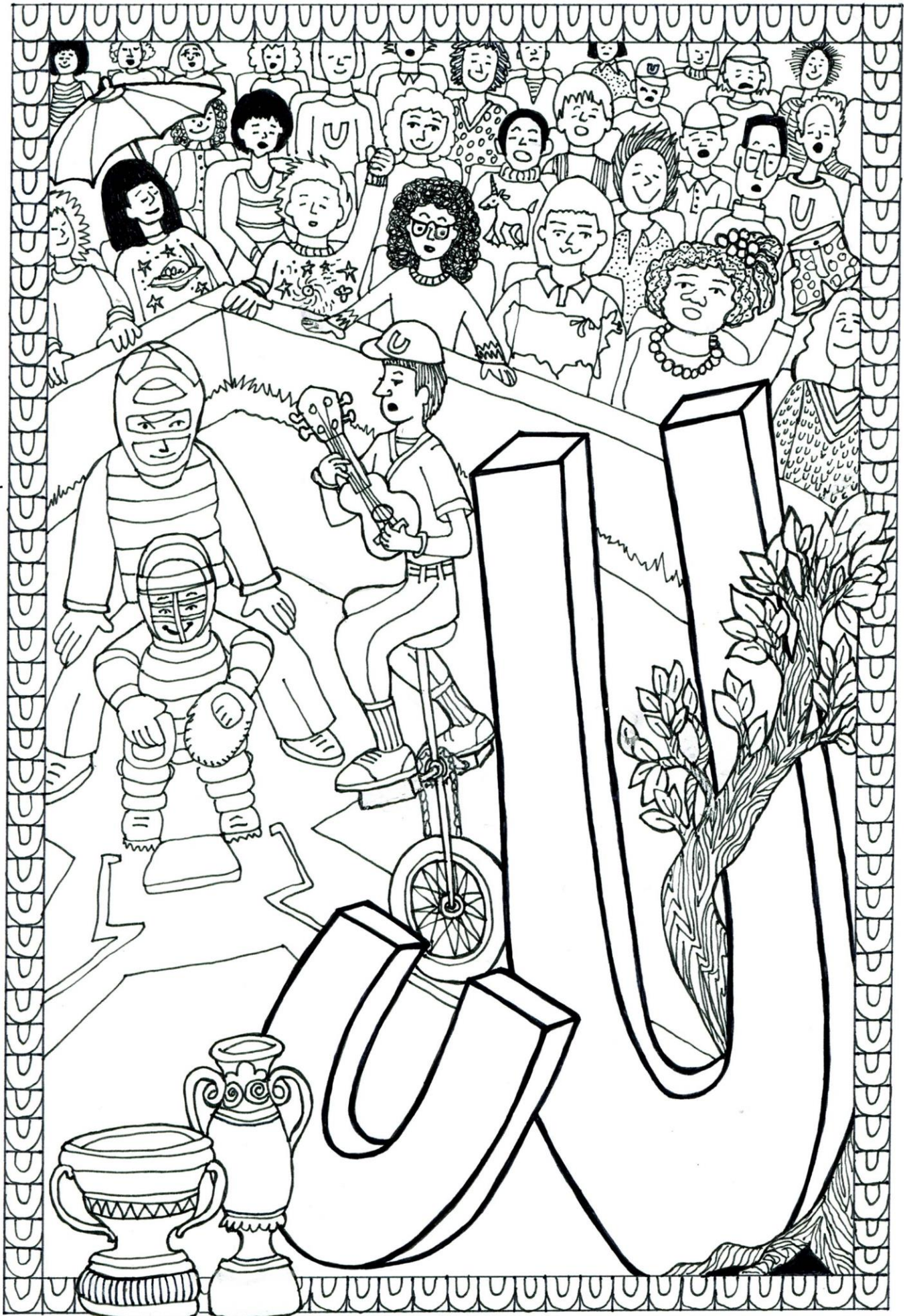
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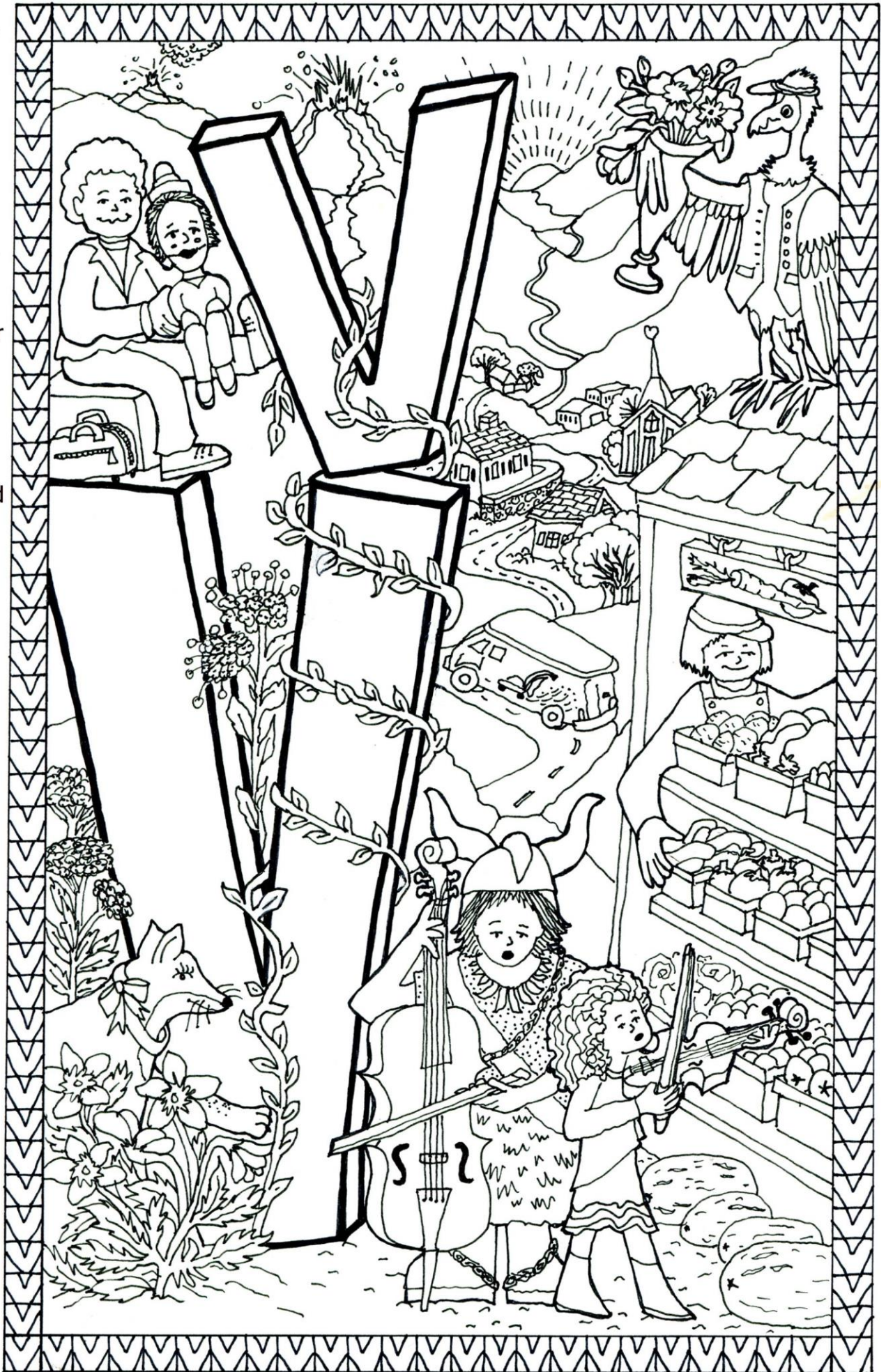
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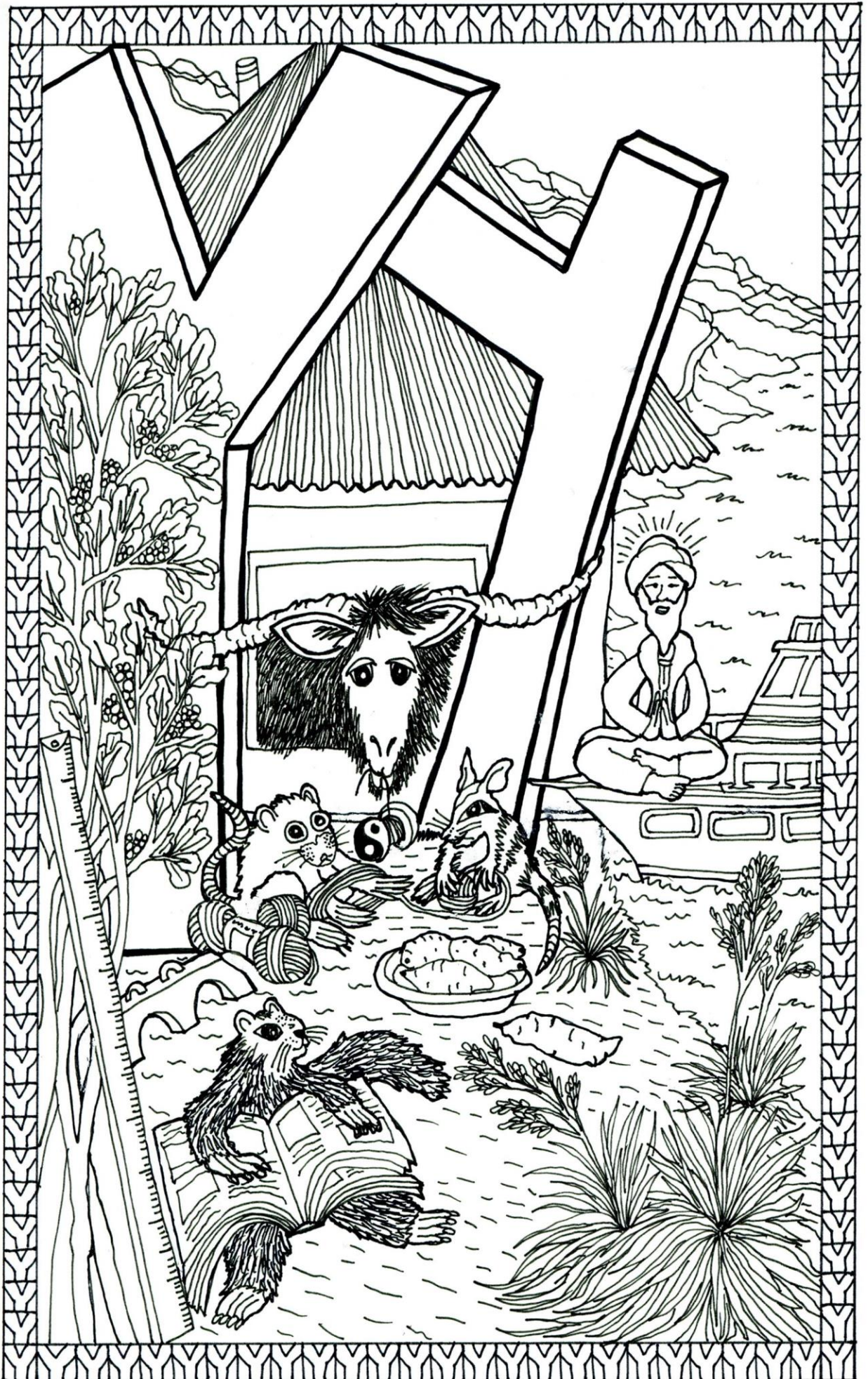
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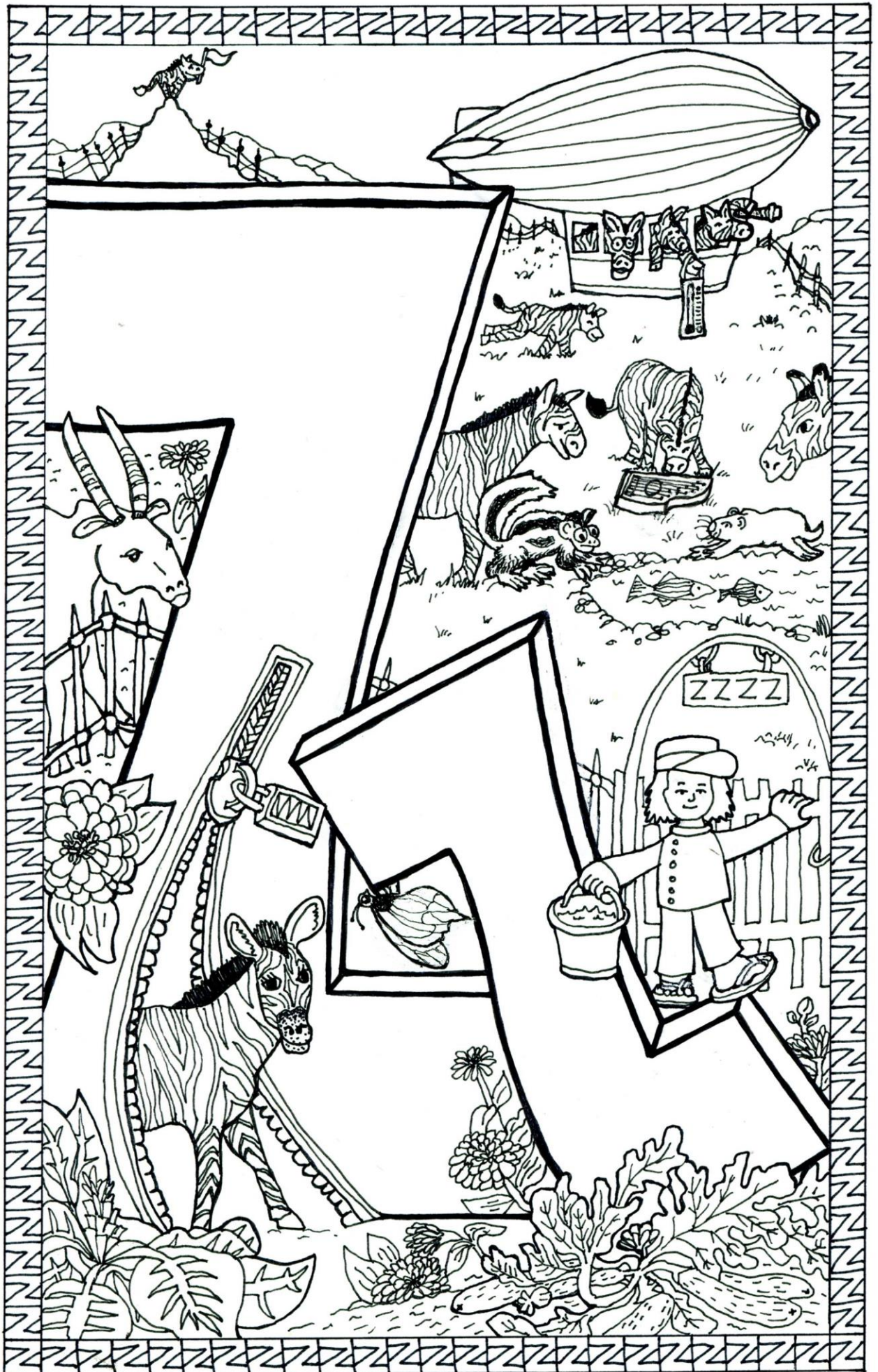
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Definitions of Uncommon Words

Here are a few less commonly used words defined for your convenience. Look online for more.

Aviator	Person who flies an aircraft
Castanets	Small percussion instrument held in the palm of the hand
Ermine	Small animal of the weasel family
Evening star	Pale yellow flower that blooms at night
Gecko	Nocturnal lizard
Gila Monster	Lizard
Goldenrod	Wild flower with yellow clusters of blooms
Guiro	Musical instrument
Horticulturalist	Person who studies the cultivation (development) of plants
Ibis	Bird
Jack-in-the-pulpit	Large plant of the woodlands with an unusual bloom
Kiwi	Bird with a long thin beak or a brownish green, also fuzzy fruit
Kora	Musical instrument
Lute	Stringed musical instrument
Milkweed	Plant that secretes a milky juice and has pods containing its seeds
Mongoose	Carnivorous ferret like animal
Muskrat	Large aquatic rodent
Nasturtium	Edible plant with showy flowers
Nautilus	Ocean animal with a spiral, chambered shell
Nutmeg	Plant with hard, aromatic seeds used for their spice
Obelisk	Four sided shaft of stone usually with a pyramid at the top
Ocelot	Spotted leopard like cat
Piccolo	Flute like musical instrument
Quetzal	Bird with bright plumage
Tapir	Animal
Tarragon	Aromatic plant used for seasoning
Thyme	Aromatic plant with very small leaves used for seasoning
Trumpet vine	Flowering vine with trumpet like flowers
Upas	Tree, some say mythical, containing a milky poison substance
Valerian	Plant with white or pink flowers whose root is used in herbal medicine
Valise	Small piece of luggage carried by hand
Vinca	Plant from the periwinkle family
Whippoorwill	Nocturnal bird of neutral colors
Wombat	Burrowing, plant eating animal
Xat	Carved totem pole of some Native North Americans
Xebec	Mediterranean boat with three masts
Xenosaurus	Lizard
Xiphosura	Horseshoe crabs
Xystus	Ancient Roman garden walk covered with trees
Yapok	Animal, an aquatic opossum
Yellow-bellied marmot	Animal of the woodchuck family
Yellow-cheeked vole	Rodent with brownish, yellow-orange cheeks
Yin-yang symbol	Circular design symbolizing balance
Yurt	Circular portable dwelling
Zither	Stringed musical instrument
Zokor	Mole like animal with chunky body and powerful legs
Zori	Flat Japanese sandals, similar to flip-flops
Zorilla	Skunk like animal in the ermine (weasel) family