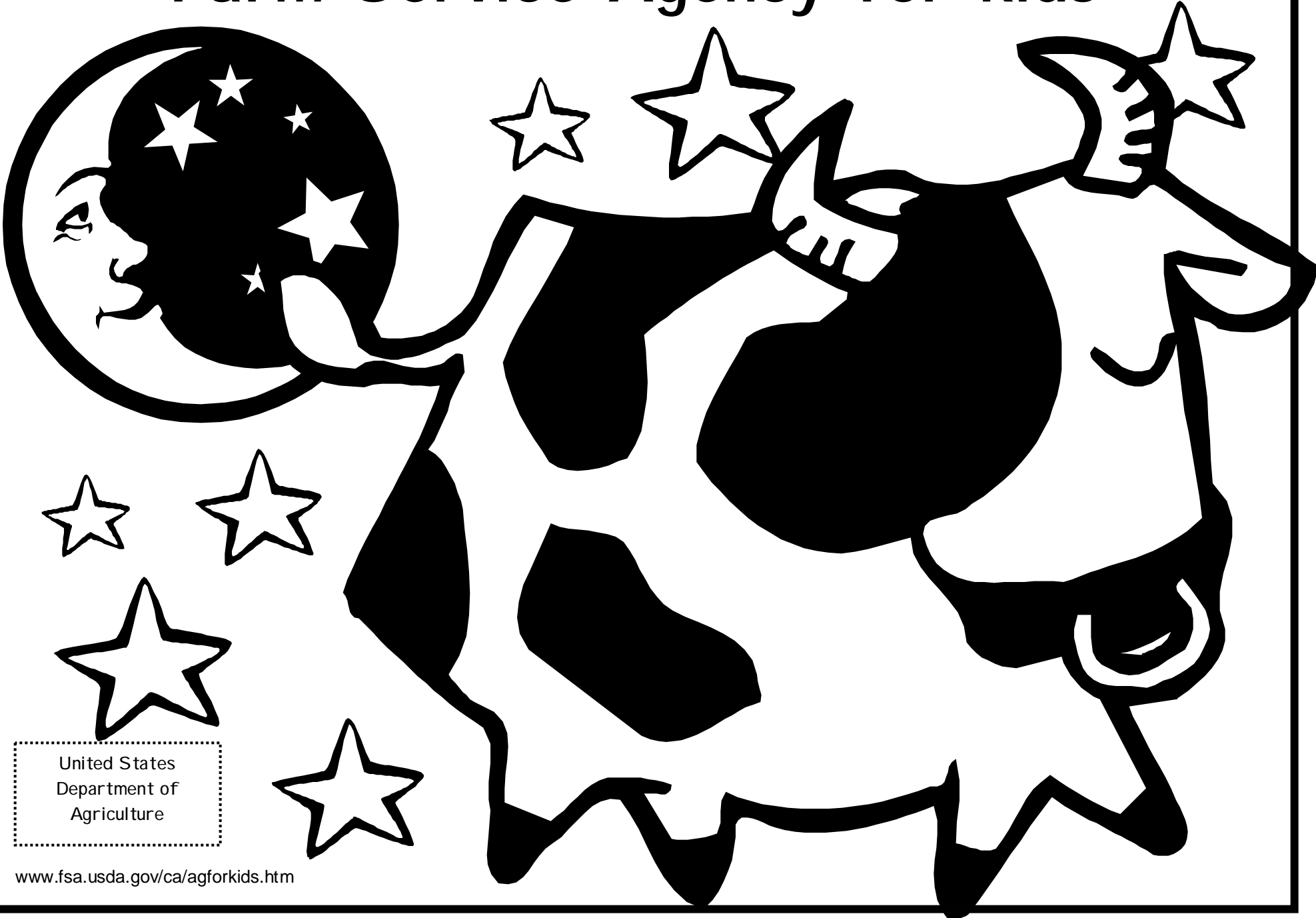


Farm Service Agency for kids



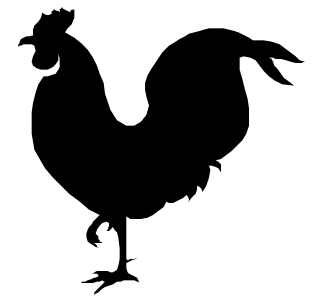
United States
Department of
Agriculture

Farm Service Agency

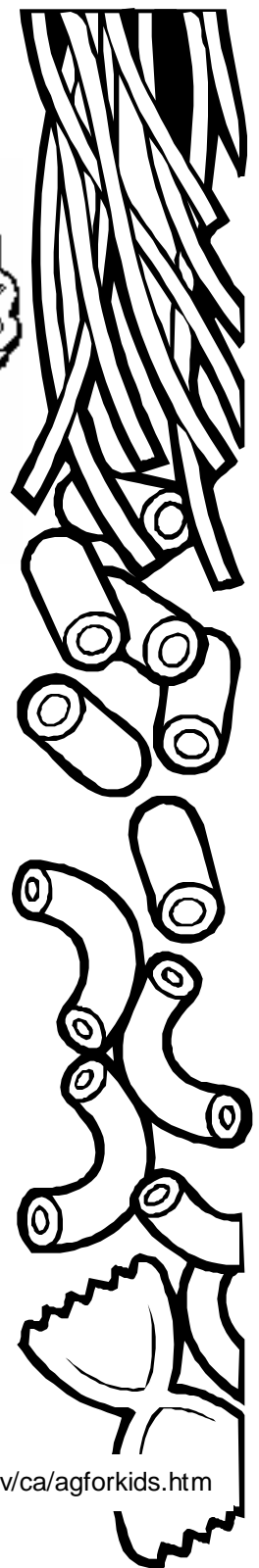
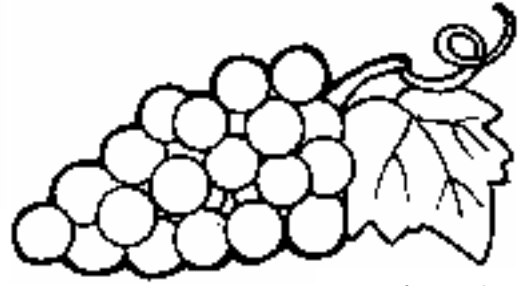
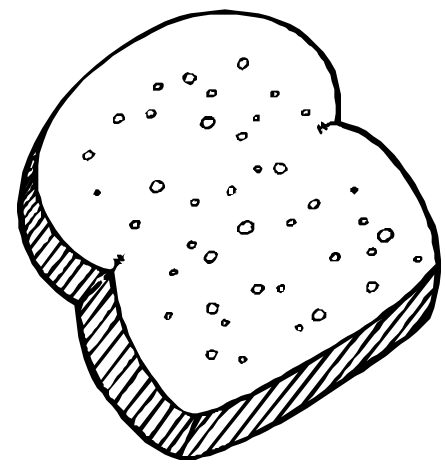
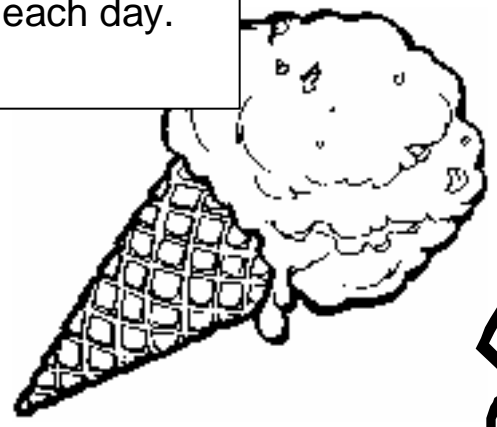
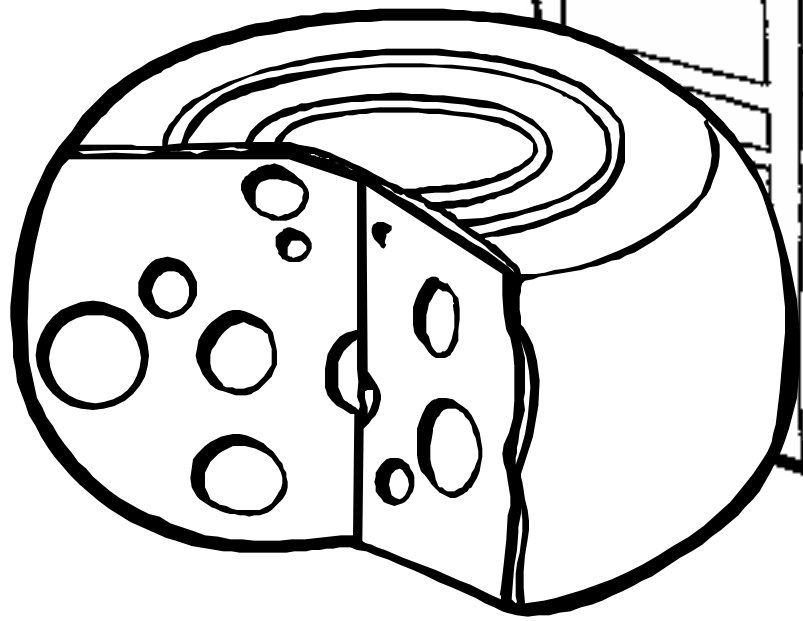
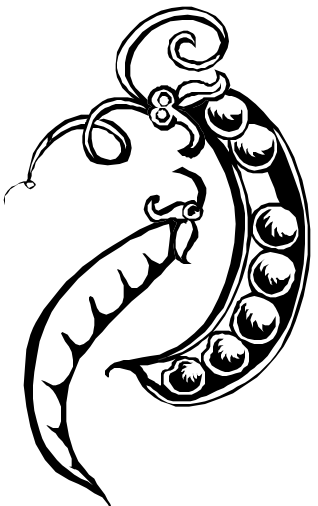


The Farm Service Agency is a federal government agency in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It exists to help farmers protect their land, get their farms back in order after floods or tornadoes (and other disasters), make loans to farmers who need help, and to make sure farmers know about special programs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

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

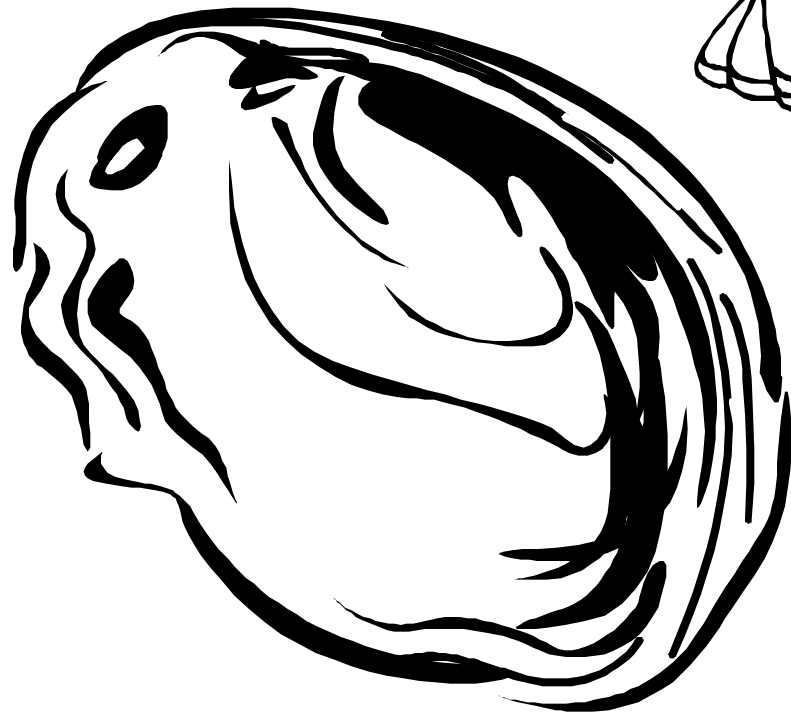
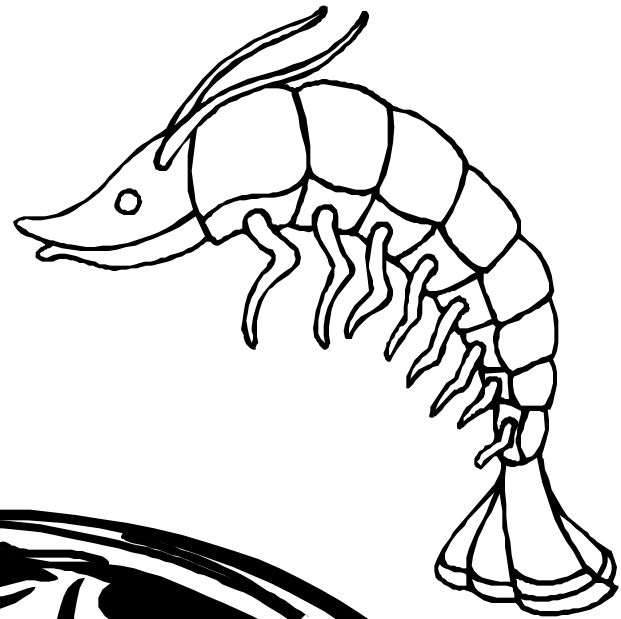
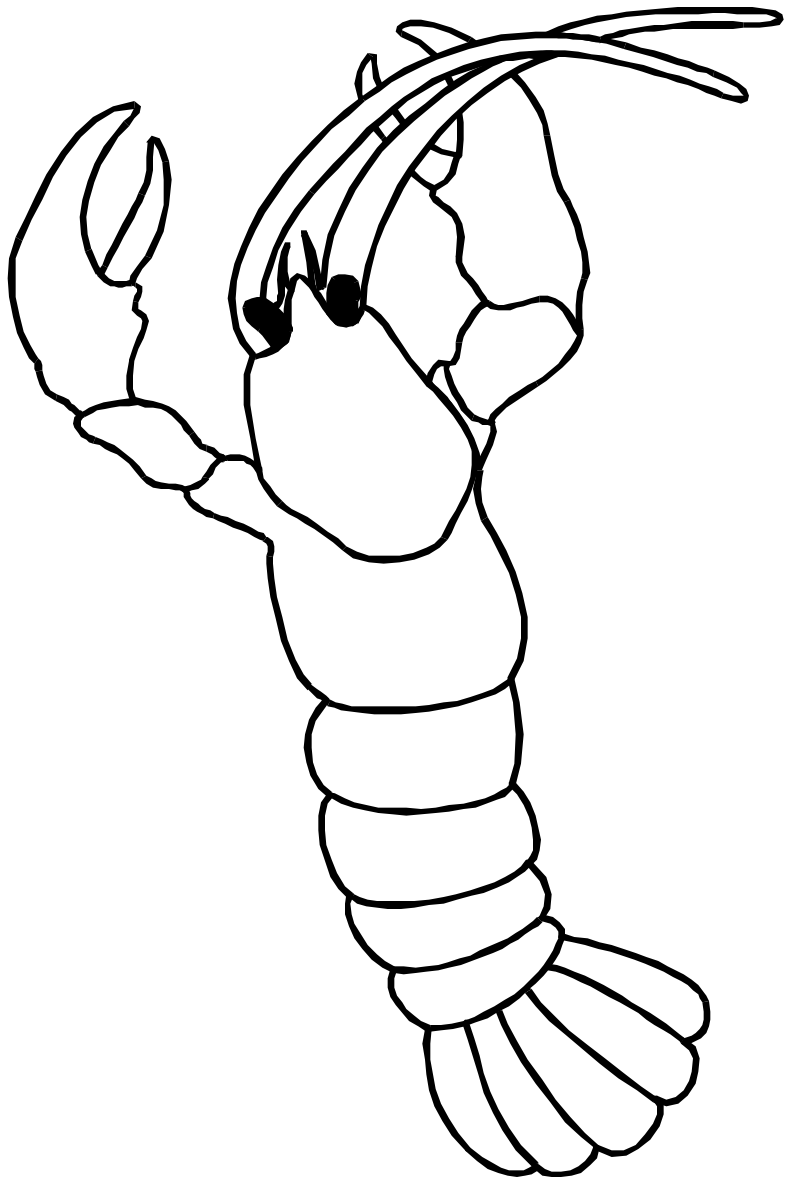


Play the game! Draw a **circle** around the foods that give you calcium for strong bones. Draw a **square** around the fruits and vegetables. You'll need five servings each day. Draw a **triangle** around the grains.



Farms come in all sizes

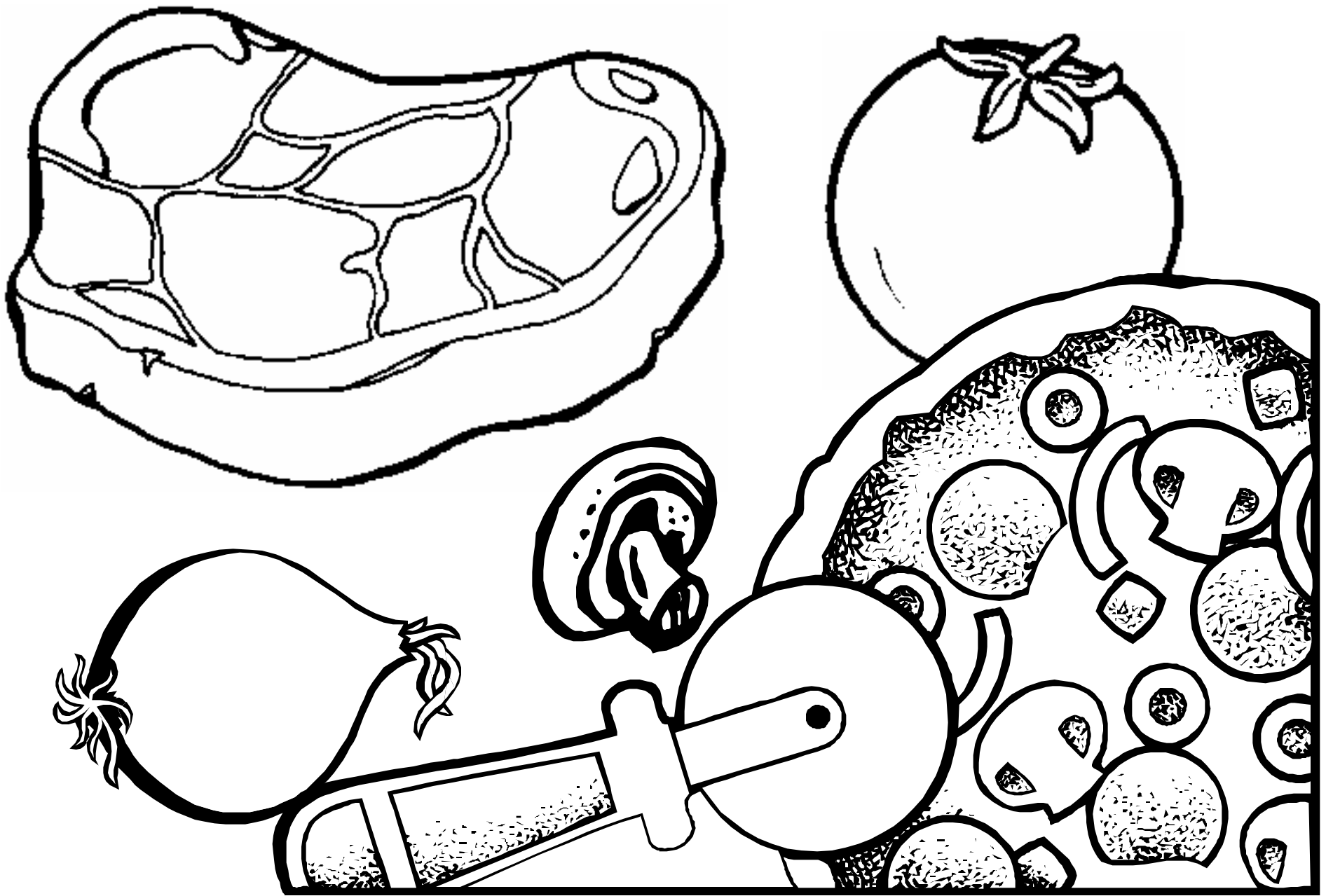




Some states have aquaculture which includes lobster, abalone, shrimp, seaweed and fish

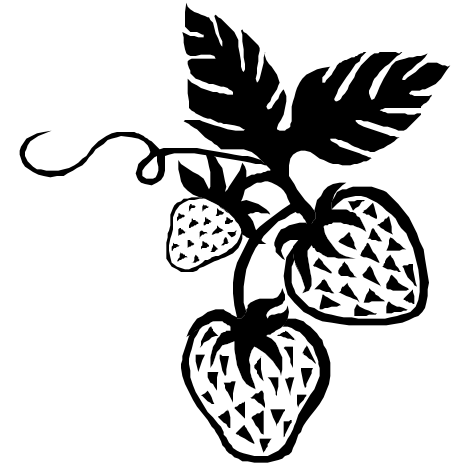


American farmers help grow the food
that feeds the world



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!

earogn _____

cire _____

athew _____

hteacriko _____

odaacvo _____

etltuec _____

nlmeo _____

eheces _____

perga _____

shirecre _____

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

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

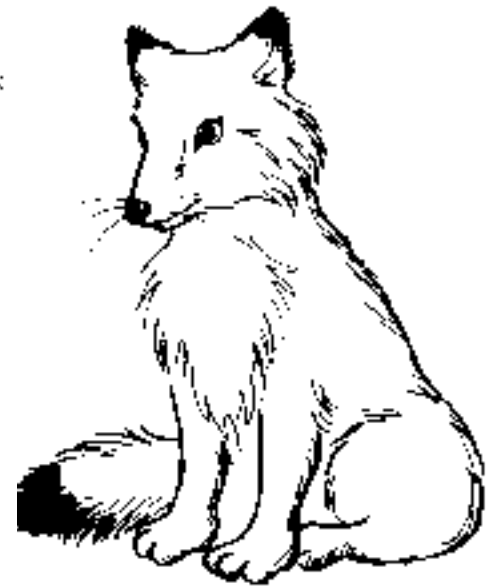


The first two are done for you, you do the rest!

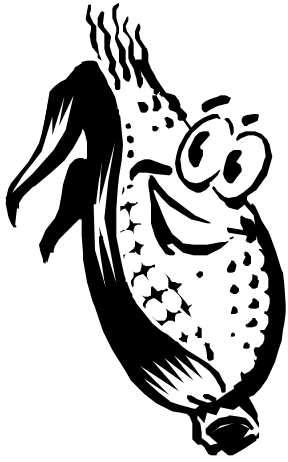
GRIN	TURN



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



Farms provide a home to many birds and animals



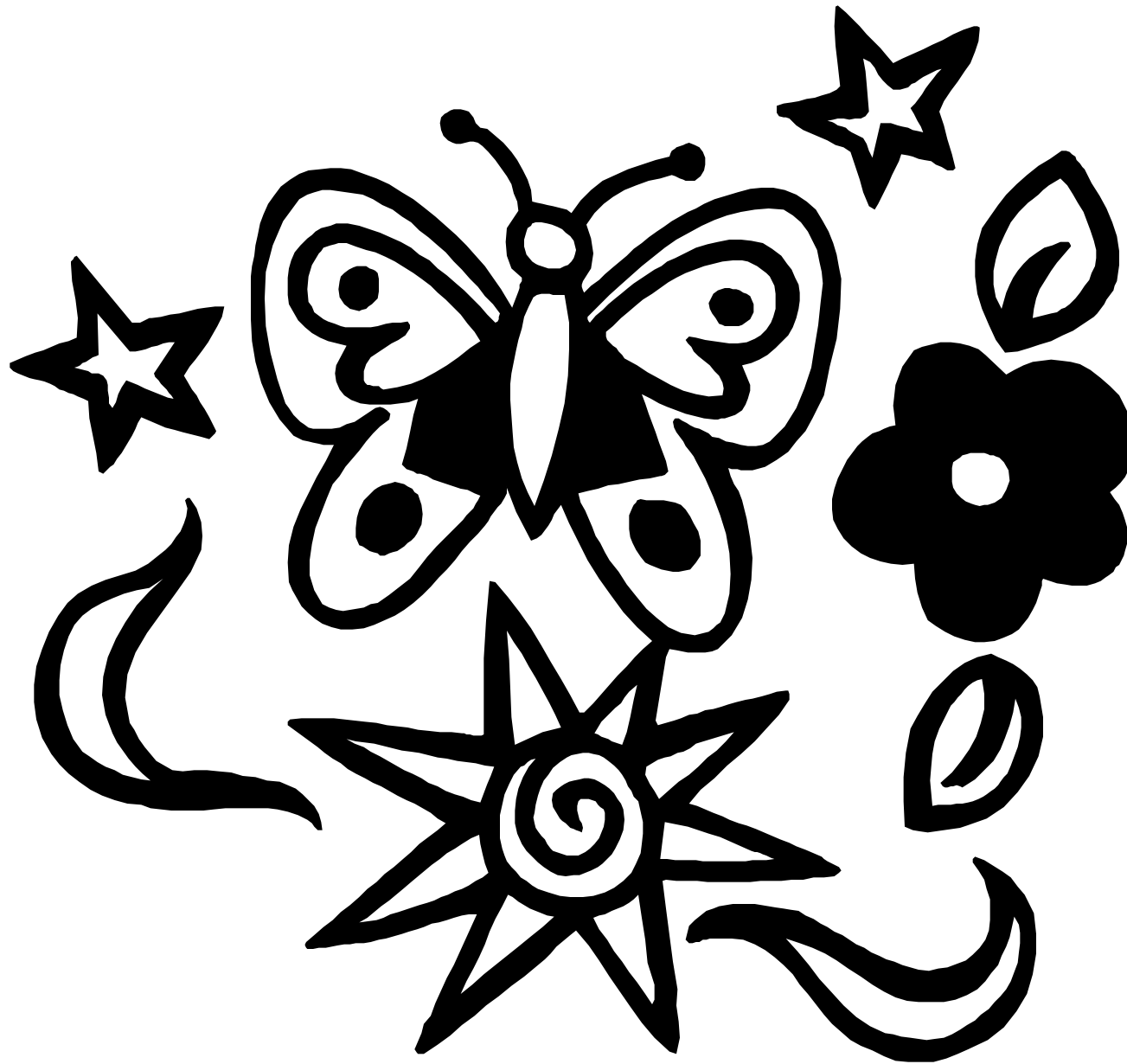
Don't "grain" on my parade!

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

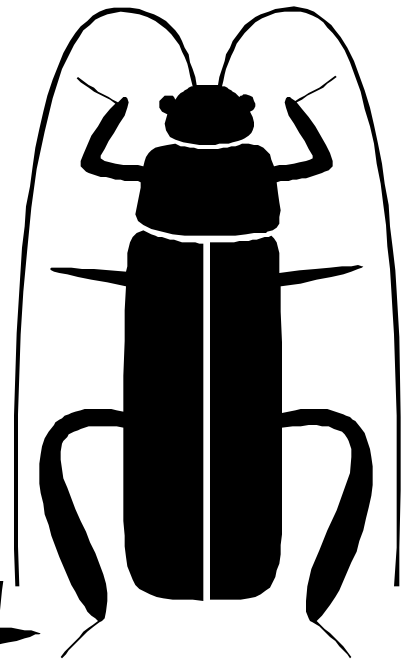
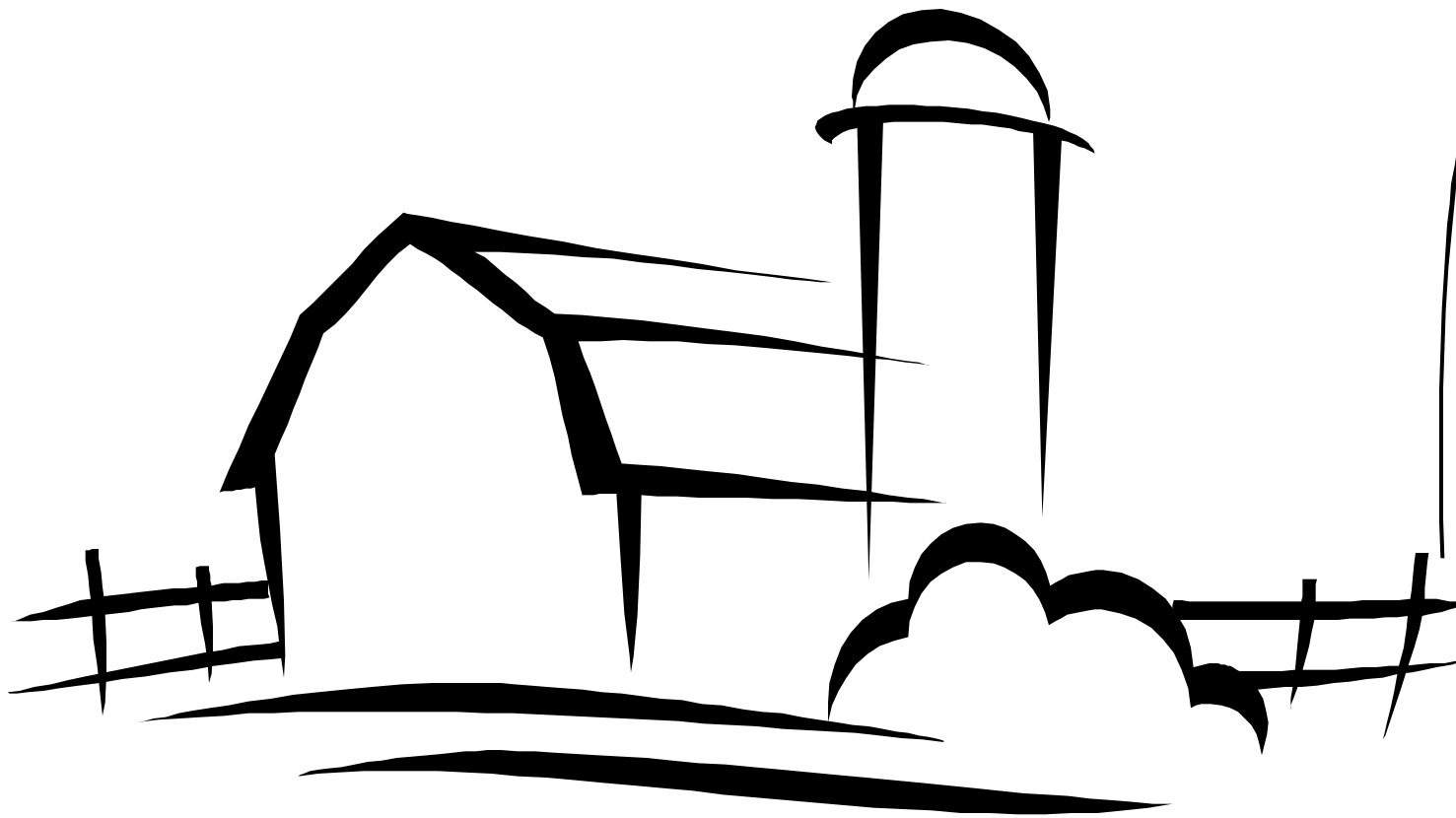
S	A	M	S	T	R	A	W	S	L	A	H	B
C	I	O	L	B	D	B	P	U	X	Y	U	A
S	O	L	P	G	M	V	C	N	R	O	L	R
O	U	A	O	G	S	I	O	F	H	Y	L	L
Y	R	R	T	R	T	C	R	L	E	K	E	E
B	G	G	N	S	M	H	N	O	A	O	G	Y
E	F	L	A	X	S	A	E	W	T	I	U	O
A	M	I	G	L	W	F	K	E	A	B	E	B
N	I	F	R	I	E	F	T	R	E	R	L	R
E	L	F	L	O	U	R	R	P	H	E	J	A
L	L	I	S	U	N	F	L	O	W	A	R	N
L	B	C	R	B	G	R	A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

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

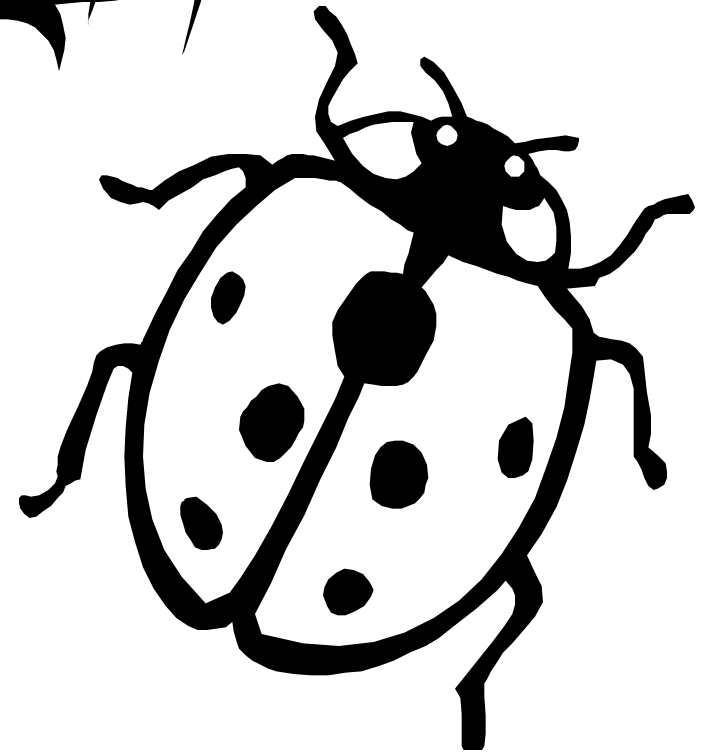




Thinking about spring? Farmers grow the flowers that make the season “spring” to life!



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





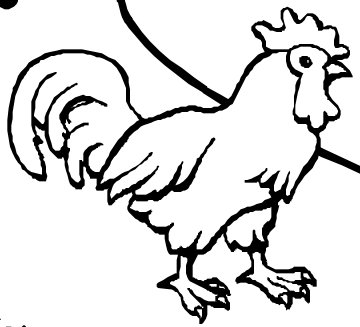
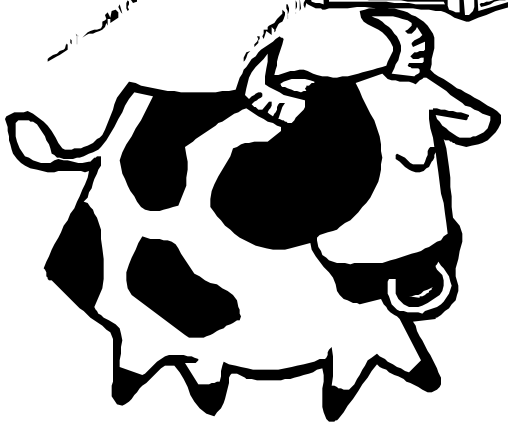
FARMERS

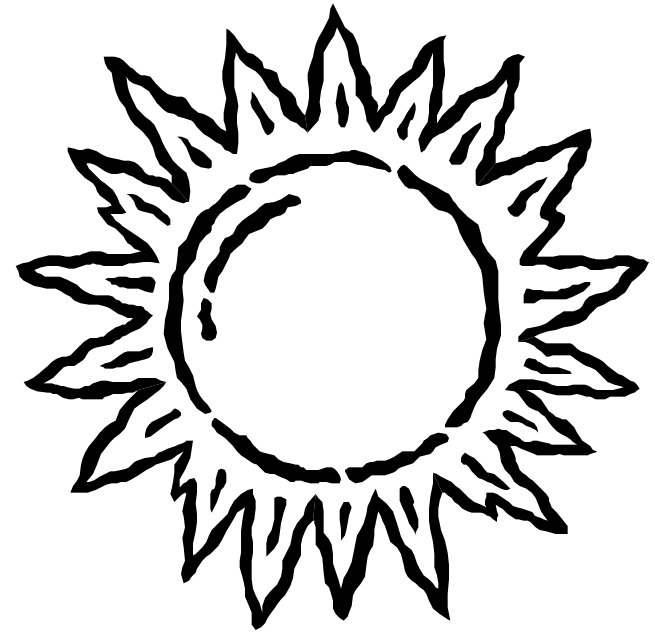
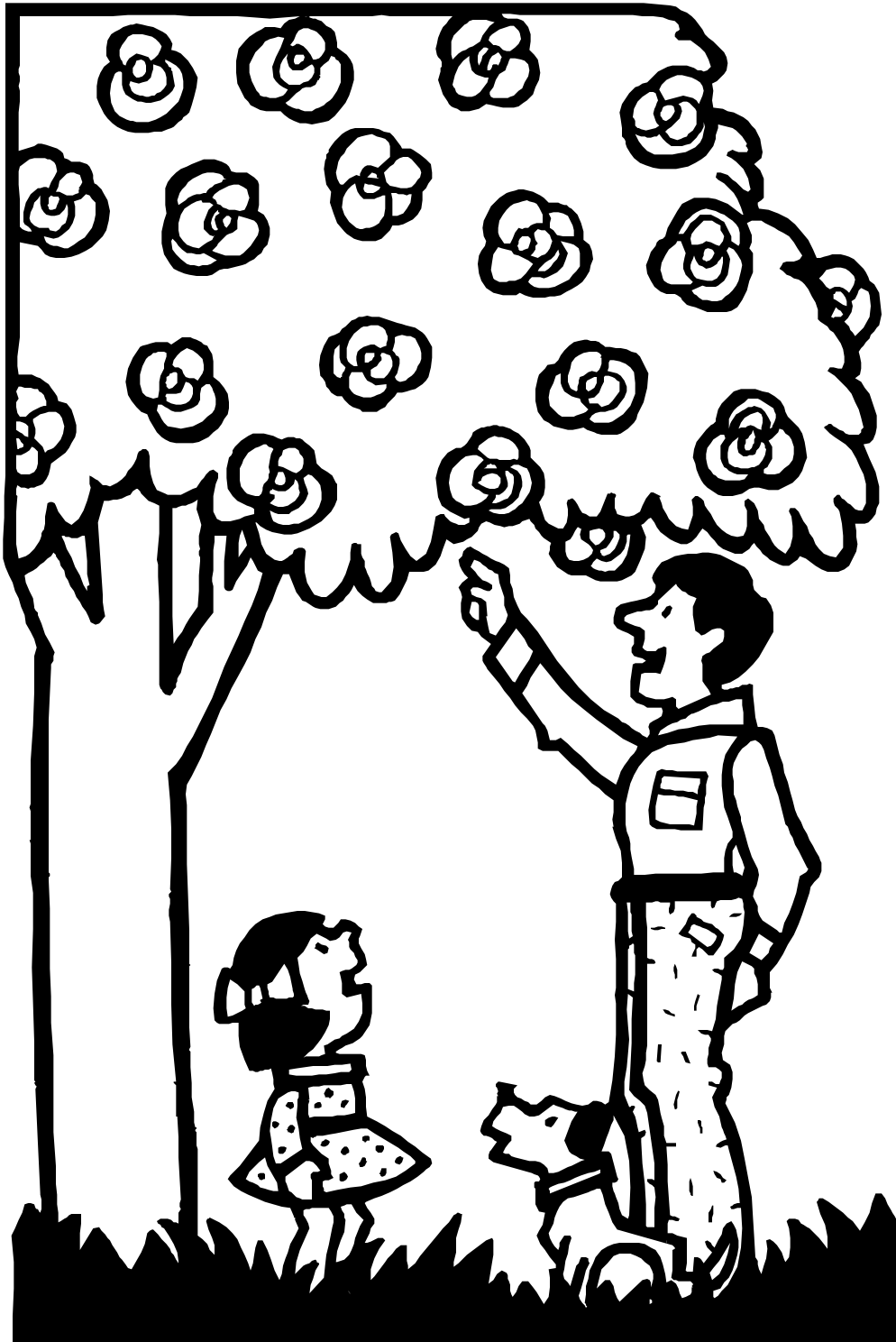
**K · E · E · P
AMERICA**

G R O W I N G



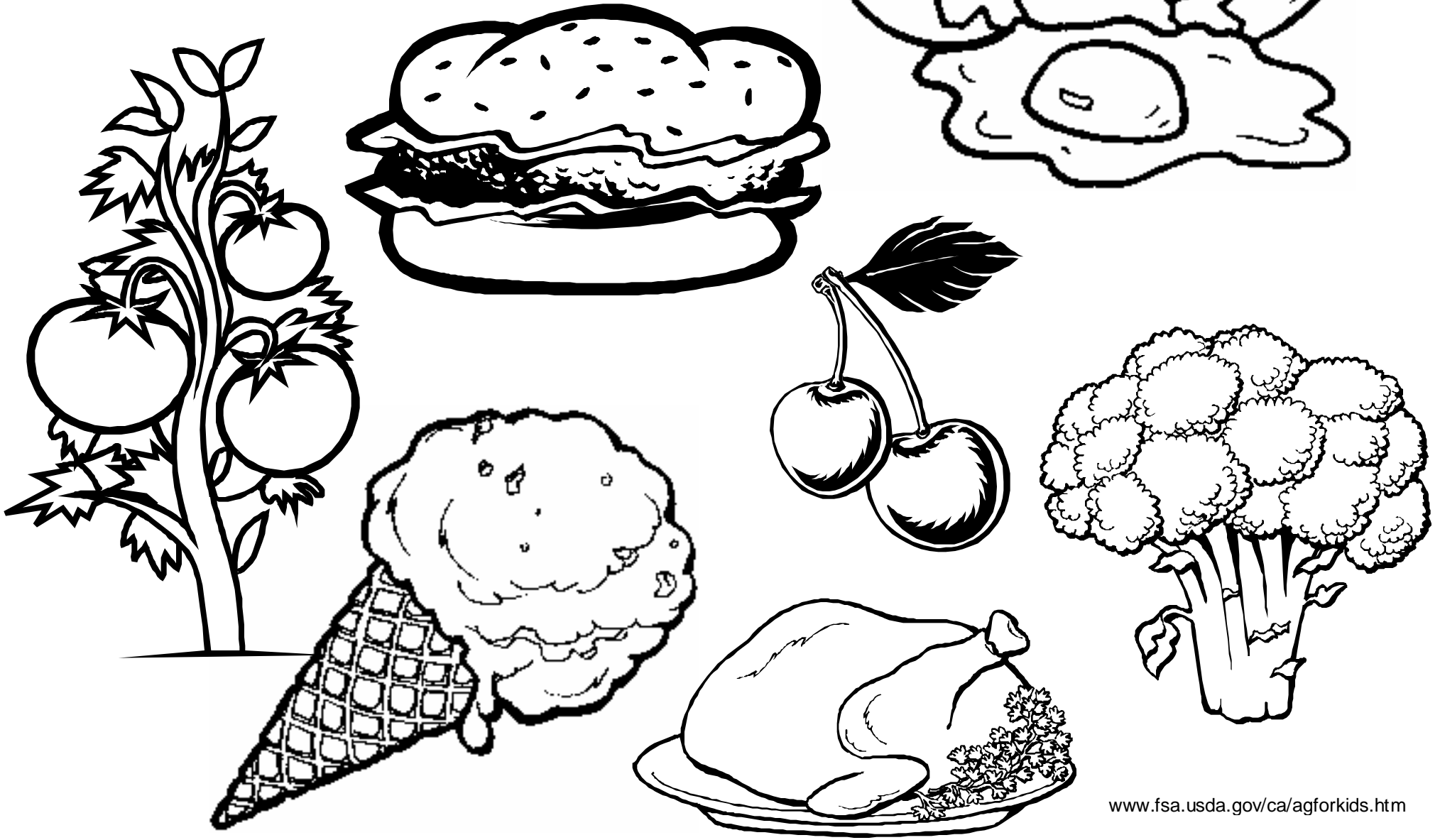
Agriculture provides a lifeline to our cities





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

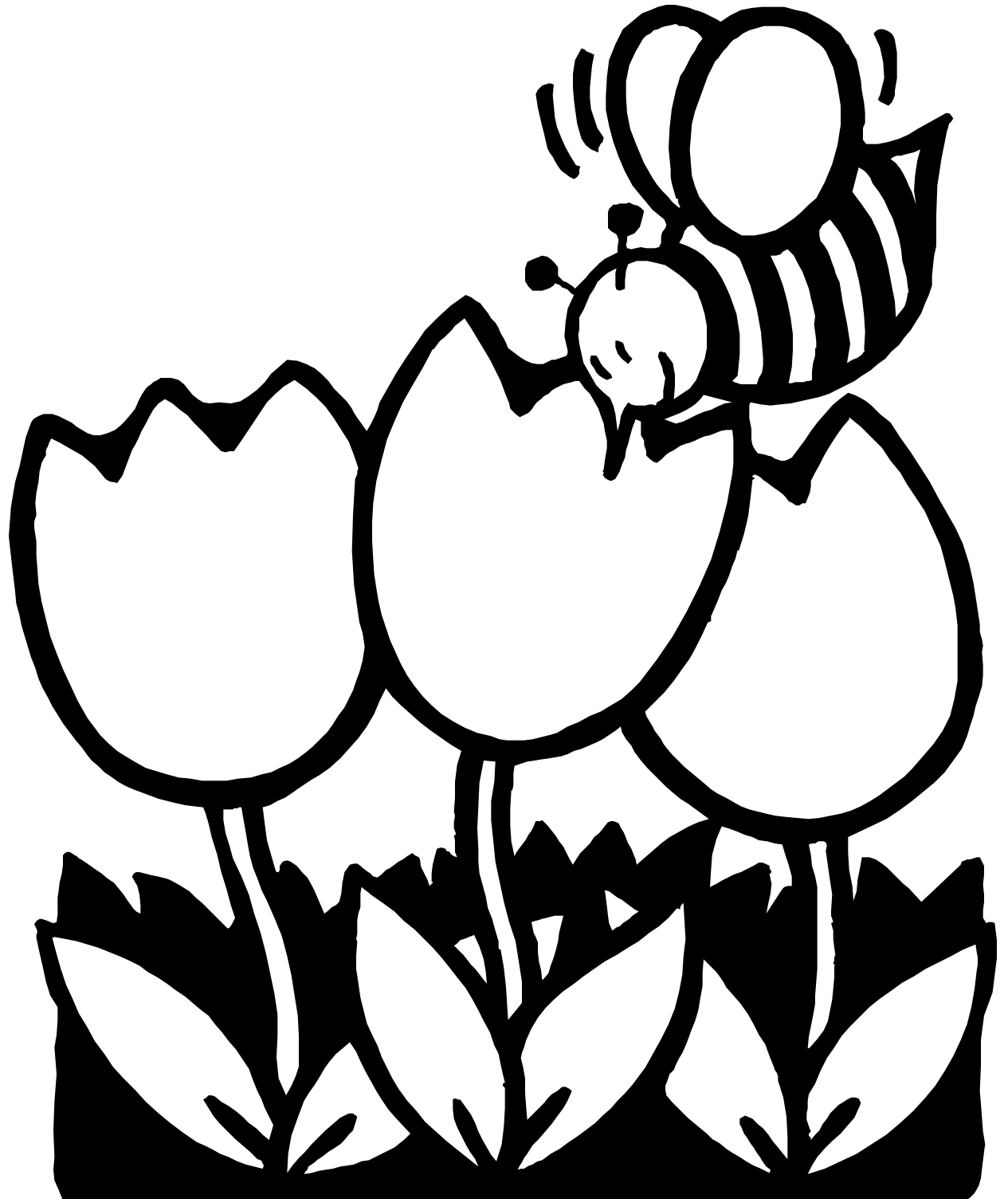
Find all the foods that come from animals and color them first



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!

tead _____

norc _____

iloev _____

necap _____

gfi _____

mupl _____

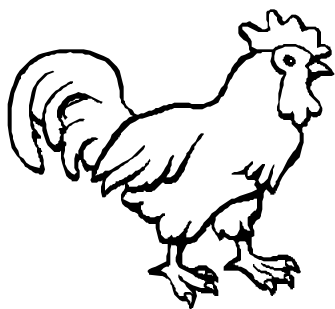
nbae _____

aots _____

prae _____

wloo _____

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



Can you find these crops?

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

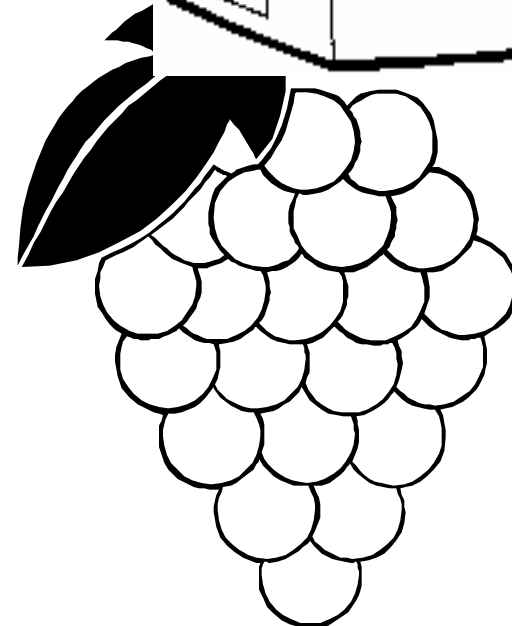
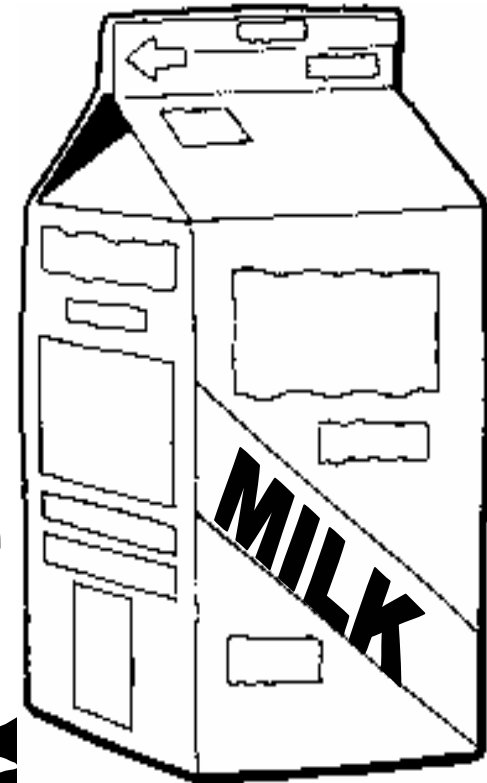
C	O	W	C	X	M	C	M	I	L	K
N	O	M	L	A	S	H	O	N	E	Y
I	E	S	E	V	C	I	P	K	O	R
H	M	A	B	H	A	C	S	H	E	P
E	U	L	O	P	L	K	E	J	I	I
N	Q	M	H	T	F	E	B	G	M	G
H	O	N	S	O	C	N	S	Y	G	L
N	L	A	M	B	G	M	O	L	K	S
Y	T	G	H	O	S	H	E	E	P	M

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.

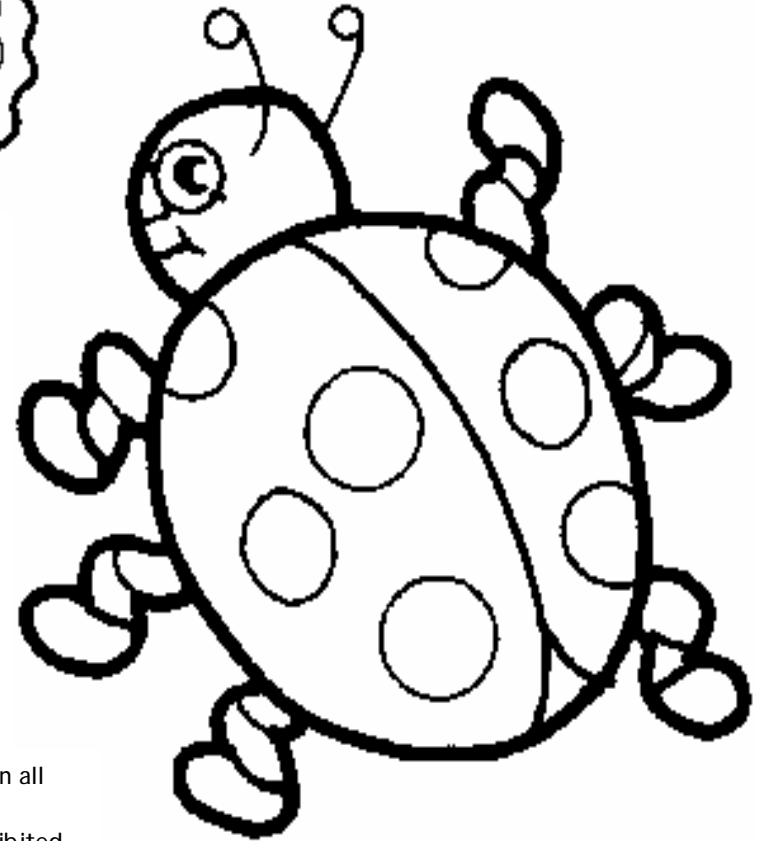
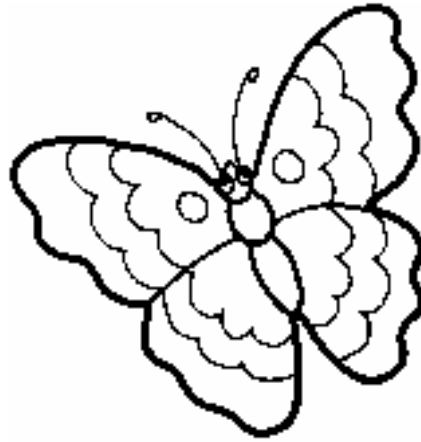
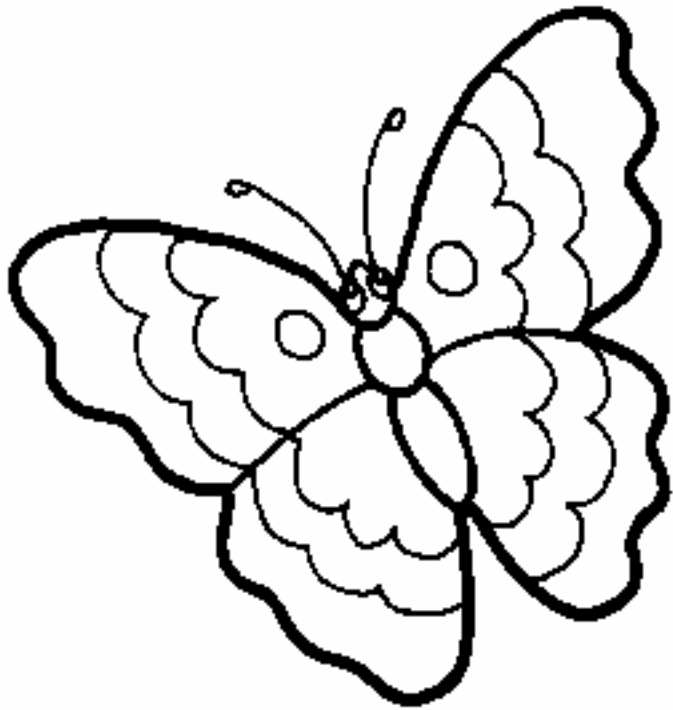
California has about 89,000 farms.

More than 350 different crops are grown in the state.



Has completed the
FSA for Kids
Coloring & Activity Book

Congratulations from the
Farm Service Agency!



The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, and marital or family status. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD).

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., 20250-9410, or call (202) 720-5964 (voice or TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

