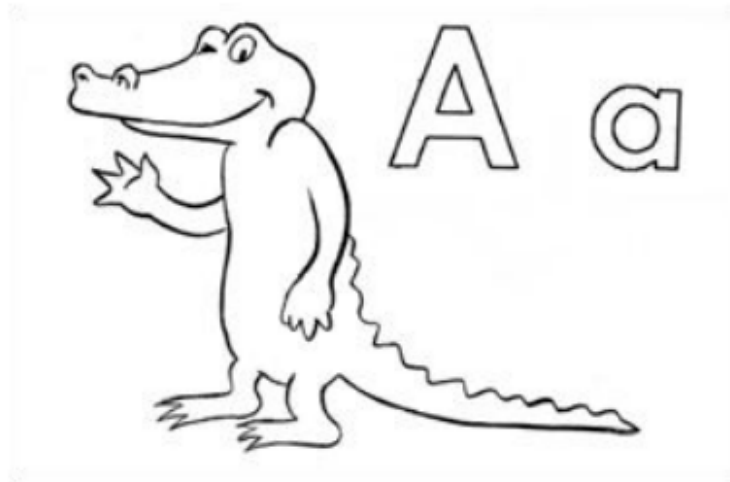
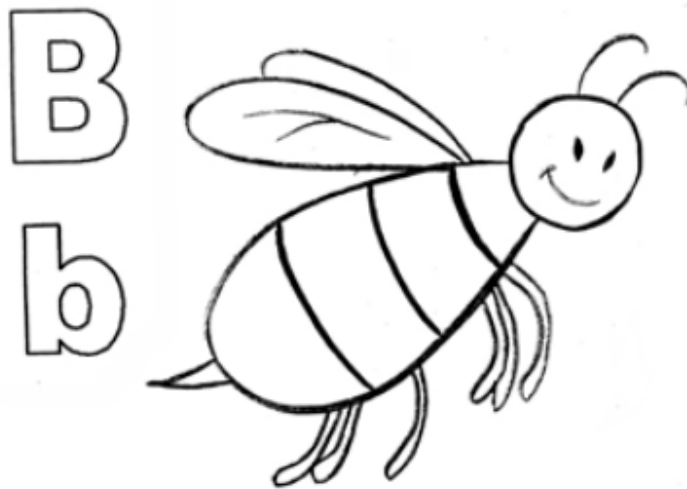


# April the Alligator



April might look like a cool gal but really she's a scaredy cat, which is funny because she's an alligator. She's scared of almost all other animals. It's a shame really. Just about every day she'll see something that makes her yell, "AAAAA!"

# Betty the Bee



Betty the Bee is usually a very cheerful and diligent worker. She buzzes around from flower to flower and back to her hive to help out her family. But sometimes by the end of a hard day's work Betty gets tired, her buzz wears out and instead of saying, "buzz, buzz, buzz," she starts to sound like this, "b, b, b."

# Cathy the Cat



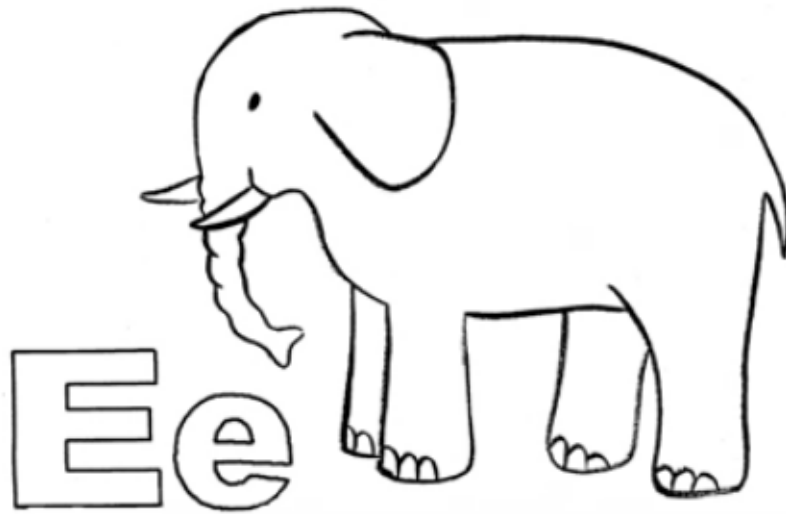
Cathy is a quiet sort of cat. She likes to sleep in the sun. She likes to stretch. She likes to keep clean. She lives quite a simple, quiet life. That is, until she has a hair ball, and she has to cough it up like this, "c, c, c."

## Danielle the Dog



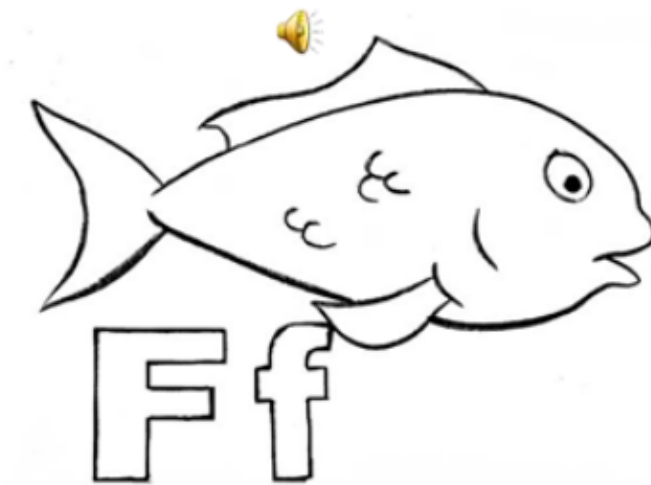
Danielle is a really smart dog. I'm not sure there is any dog smarter than she is. She can do any trick. Absolutely any trick you ask her to do. In fact, if you ask her to do a trick, she'll say, "Duh, of course I can!"

# Elizabeth the Elephant



Elizabeth is a very special elephant. She loves to paint. She is a wonderful artist. She has one problem though. She has a hard time making decisions. She can never make up her mind. She will be trying to decide whether to paint a flower yellow or orange and will stand there for fifteen minutes sounding like this, “eeeeee....”

# Faith the Fish



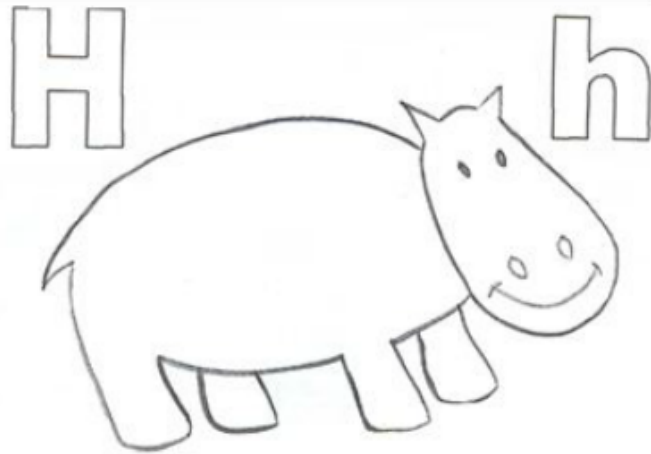
Poor Faith the Fish. She's having a really bad day. First, her school left her behind. Then she swam into a dirty diaper someone had thrown in the river. Just when she thought her day was turning around, she bit into the tasty morsel that she saw and found she had been hooked. Poor Faith the Fish. Right now she's frying in the pan. Can you hear the sound she makes cooking? "Fffff...." I bet she'll be tasty, though!

## Grace the Goat



Grace can have a bit of a temper. Well, it's just that she's really protective of her personal space. She likes to be alone and doesn't want to be bothered. If she sees you getting too close, she'll start kicking and saying, "G, g, g" and then start charging you yelling, "Get out of here!"

## Hillary the Hippo



Hillary is a friendly sort of gal. She loves to be with people. She knows everyone's name. Everyone loves Hillary. The only problem Hillary has is that she can't move very fast. She wants to be with everyone else, but she can't always keep up. If she has to move quickly to catch up with someone, she'll end up out of breath and sounding like this, "h, h, h."



## Irene the Iguana



I have something not very nice to say about Irene. She's obnoxious. I think you'll agree with me when I tell you why. One of her favorite things to do is to wake people up from their peaceful sleep. She sneaks up to them and then makes a sound like an alarm clock going off, "I,i, i, i!"

## Joanna the Jaguar



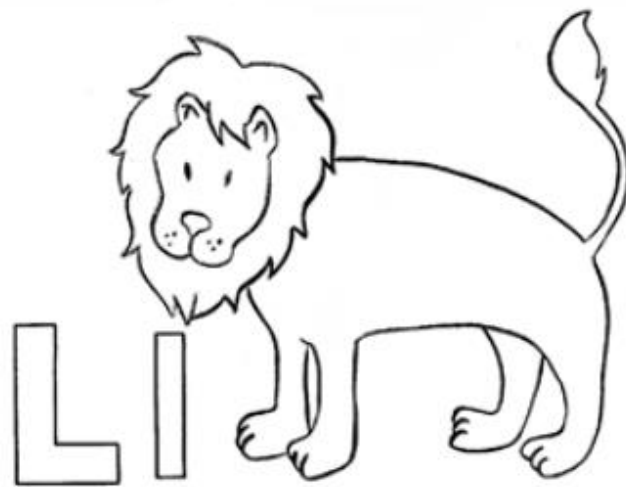
Joanna may look ferocious, but she's really a fun loving gal. In fact her favorite thing to do is to dance. Do you believe it? Believe it. It is immensely fun to watch her dance because she does her own music when she dances. It sounds like this, "j, j, j, j, j."

# Karen the Kangaroo



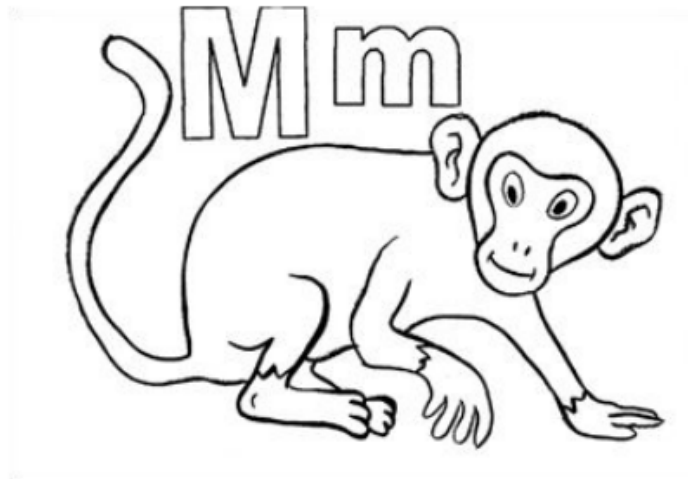
Karen the Kangaroo has very sensitive hearing. That means that she can hear very well. Don't whisper anything about her because she will hear it! In fact, if you walk by wearing a watch, do you know what she'll hear? Beyond the sound of your footsteps, she'll be able to hear your watch ticking, "k, k, k."

## Lea the Lion



- Lea the lion loves the sound of her name. You can hear her saying it all the time, “Lllllllea.” You might think she would be stuck up and in love with herself, but she’s not. She just loves that name! Or, maybe she just likes sticking out her tongue! Listen to her now, “Llllll, Lllllllea.”

## Michelle the Monkey



You won't believe what I am going to tell you, but Michelle the Monkey's favorite food is not bananas. If she could choose anything in the world to eat, do you know what she would pick? Meatballs! Really! Once a happy circus goer was walking around the animal cages on the circus grounds and eating a meatball sandwich. He took a bite out of one end and a meatball fell out the other and rolled into Michelle's cage. She snatched it up, took a bite and said, "Mmmmm..." She thought it was delicious.

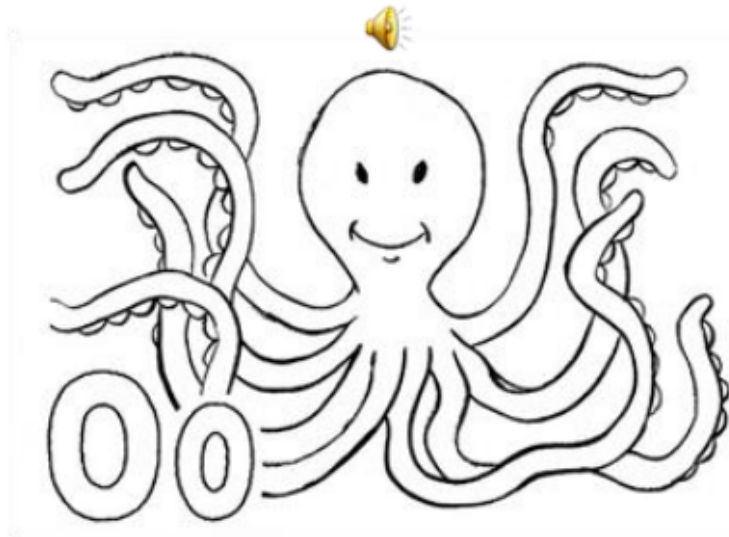
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## Nicole the Nuthatch



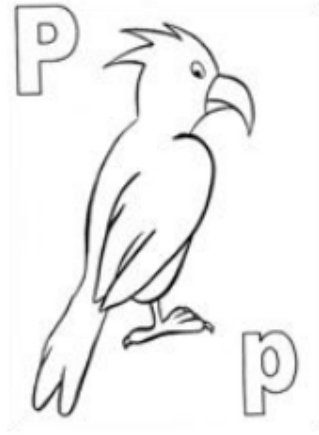
Nicole has the most beautiful singing voice, but you wouldn't know it right now. Right now she's sick. She has a terrible cold. Right now she just sounds like this, "Nnnnn...."

## Olivia the Octopus



Olivia sometimes wears a smile on her face, but not always. The problem is she tends to worry. She worries about so many things. Right now she's worried that her tonsils need to be removed from the back of her throat. She keeps asking people if her tonsils look red. She opens her mouth wide to show anyone that passes by her tank and says, "Ahhhhh."

# Pauline the Parrot



Pauline the Parrot's family is from a tropical climate. That means that she is used to very warm weather. She prefers to live in hot, sticky jungles. The problem is that she doesn't live in a jungle. The circus travels with all of its animals and sometimes they are in chilly places. Pauline the Parrot doesn't like it when she can see her breath. She's cold and puffing smoke from her mouth right now, "P, p, p."

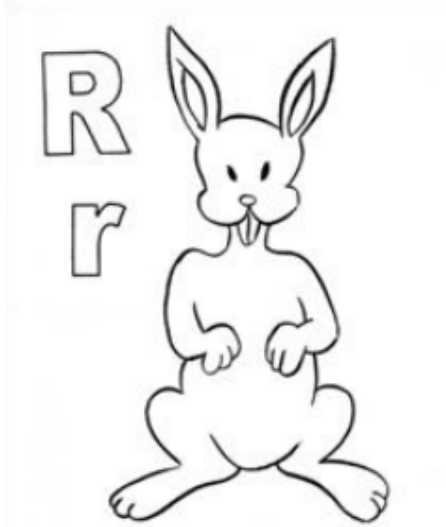


## Queenie the Queen Bee



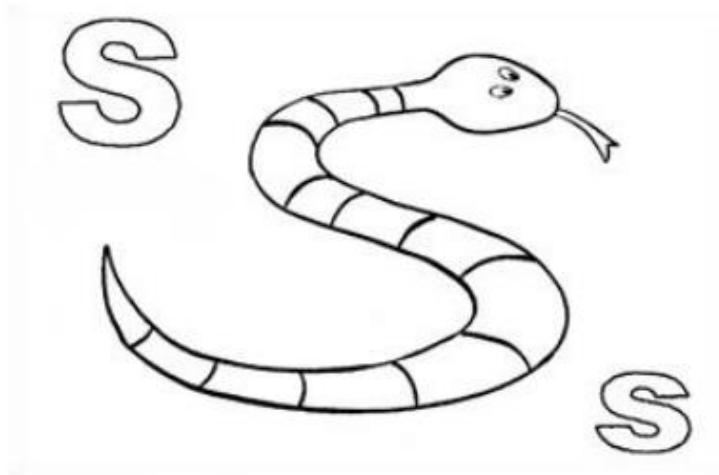
Queenie is the Queen of Bobby's hive. She's never alone as you can see. She is constantly with her underlings, her servants. Being the queen, she is used to having others constantly serve her. If anyone ever keeps her waiting, she starts tapping her foot and making this sound, "Qu, qu, qu," which means she is annoyed and you better hurry it up!

## Roberta the Rabbit



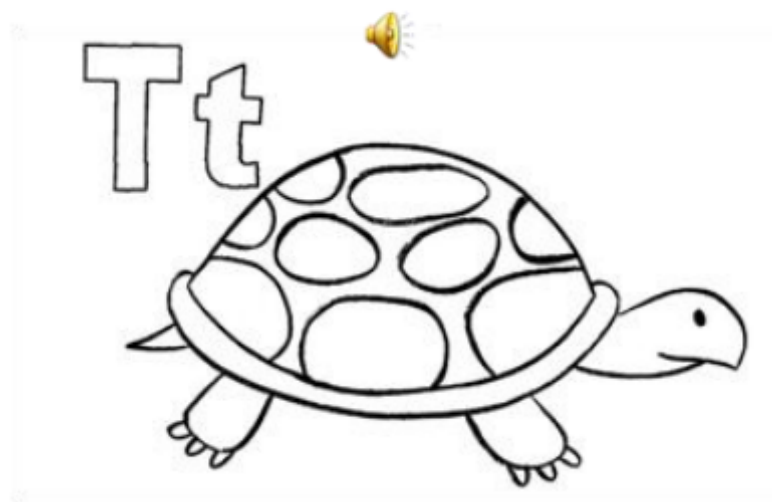
Roberta the Rabbit is always on the go. She doesn't like to sit still. She's always moving about. Even if her feet stop her nose and ears keep moving! She doesn't like getting held up in one place. There's only one time when it happens. When she's struggling to pull a carrot up from the ground. She'll take hold of it in her teeth, plant her feet in one place and pull, "R, r, r."

## Sarah the Snake



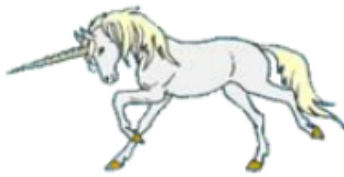
Sarah the Snake is a horrible sneak. I don't mean that she's a horrible, sneaky kind of gal. I mean she's horrible at sneaking! She can't sneak up on anybody. Everyone always knows she's near because they hear her. They hear, "Ssssss." Then they know Sarah is close.

# Tabitha the Turtle



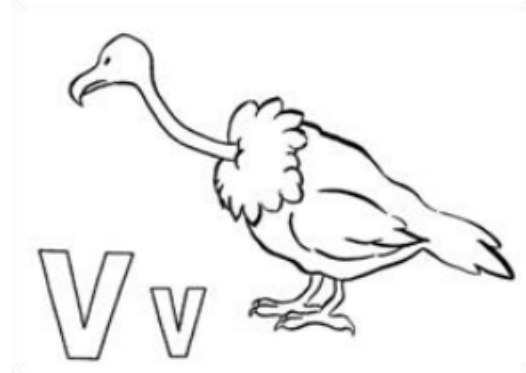
Tabitha is a pretty calm character. Not much gets to her. She's patient and understanding. She doesn't get angry. She does have one pet peeve, one thing that bothers her. She really gets annoyed when someone comes up and starts tapping on her shell, "T, t, t," when she's trying to sleep.

# Uma the Unicorn



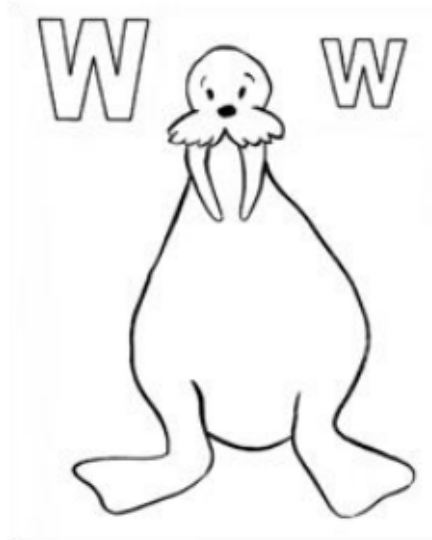
Uma has many talents. You can imagine how excited people are to see her in the circus act. She can spin a basketball on her horn. She can catch hoops on her horn. She can do many things. Her biggest problem is that she forgets to look where she's going. She starts running and doesn't look up and wham. Her horn hits a tree, or a wall, or a fence, or a, well you get the idea. You'll know when it happens because when she hits something you'll hear Uma sound like this, "Uh."

## Victoria the Vulture



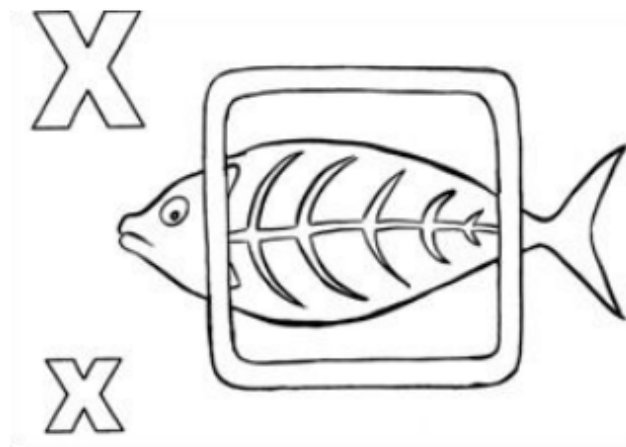
Victoria the Vulture is entirely misunderstood. She's a really nice fun gal. When people see her, they think an animal must have died! It makes people nervous. That's why it's so unexpected when she shows up in the circus act driving an ambulance! Victoria loves to hear the audience start to laugh when they see her and hear the pretend ambulance go, "Vvvvvv," as she drives into the ring.

# Winnie the Walrus



Winnie the Walrus is a natural performer, a real show stopper. I know you would love to see her act. Her trick is called the helicopter. She spins herself on her head with her tail bent down to the side so that her tail looks like helicopter blades going round and round. It even sounds like a helicopter when she wooshes around, “W, w, w, w, w.”

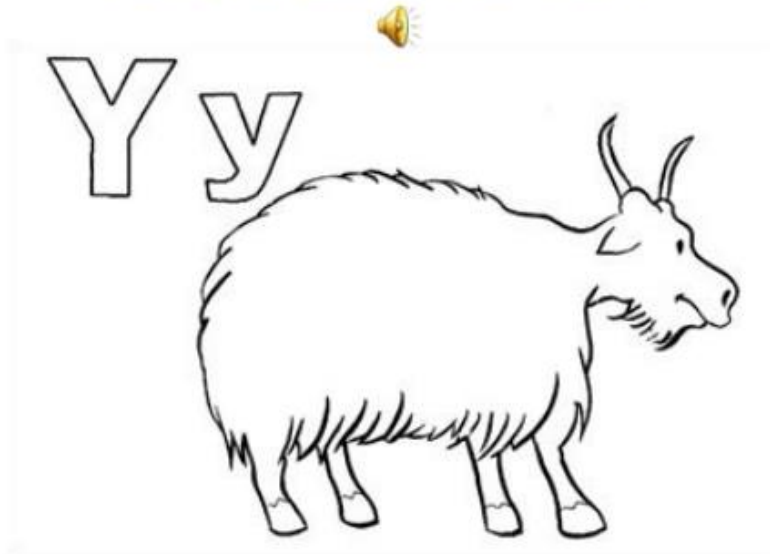
## Xahlia the X-Ray Fish



Xahlia the X-Ray Fish lives in the water tank with Olivia the Octopus. She has a nice life and enjoys being part of the sights and sounds of the circus. You might think she's just a curiosity, something interesting to look at, but even Xahlia does tricks. She has been trained to do a back flip any time she hears someone open a can of soda. Next time you are there, try it. Stand next to the tank and pop open a can, "X, Kssss." She'll flip right over!

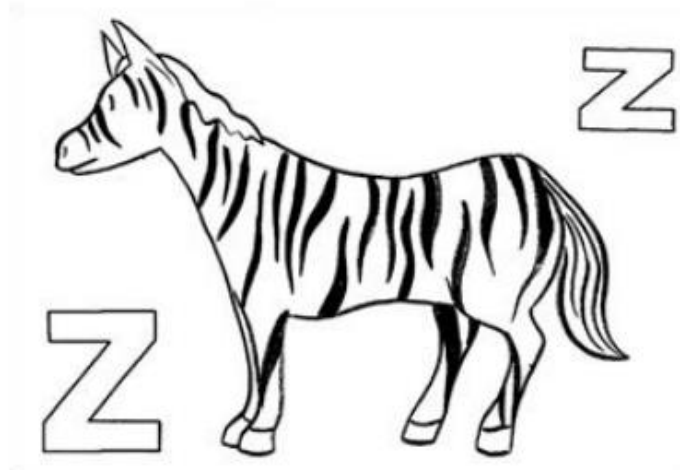


## Yolanda the Yak



Yolanda is a hardworking yak. That's why she's so sleepy all the time. You can't look at her for more than ten seconds before you'll see her yawn and hear her sound like this, "Yyyyyy."

## Zoe the Zebra



Zoe the Zebra is very brave. She even jumps through rings of fire during her circus act! But there is one thing she is afraid of, bees! She's allergic to them. She knows that if she is stung, she'll be in big trouble. If she ever hears this sound, "Zzzzzz...," she'll start galloping at fast as she can.