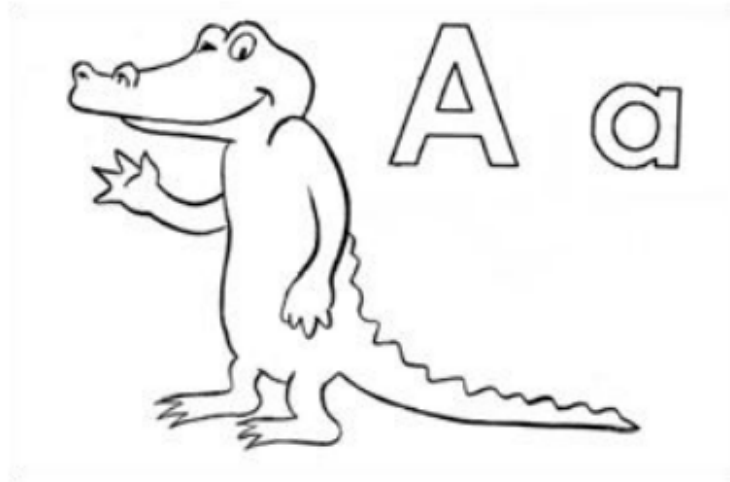
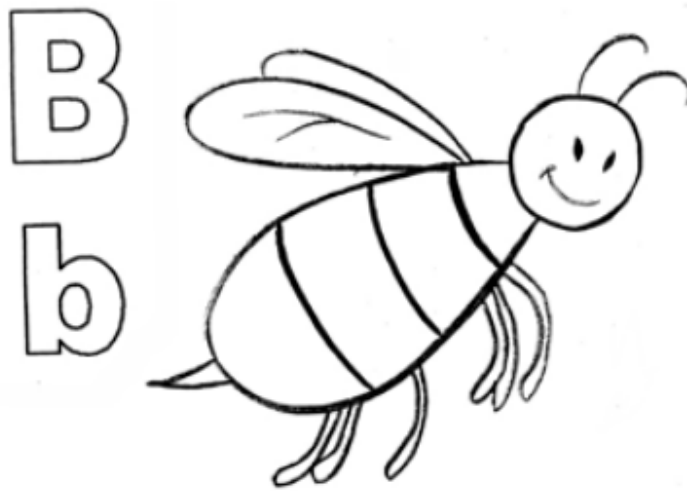


April the Alligator



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



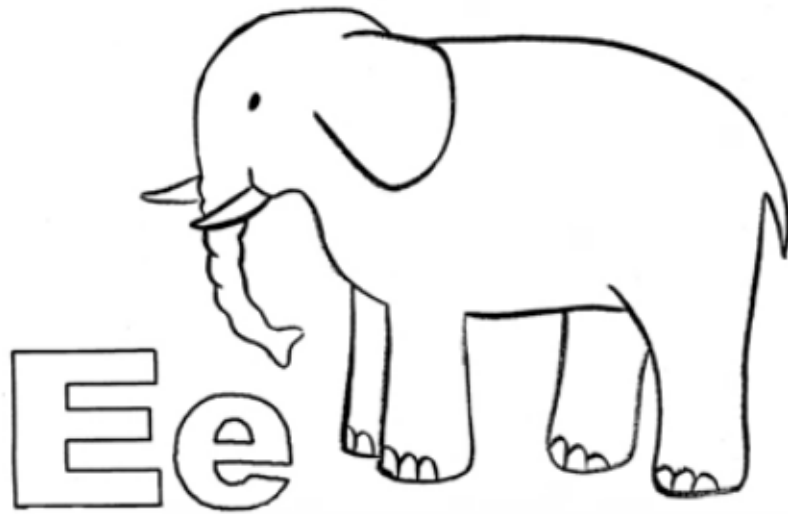
Cathy is a quiet sort of cat. She likes to sleep in the sun. She likes to stretch. She likes to keep clean. She lives quite a simple, quiet life. That is, until she has a hair ball, and she has to cough it up like this, "c, c, c."

Danielle the Dog



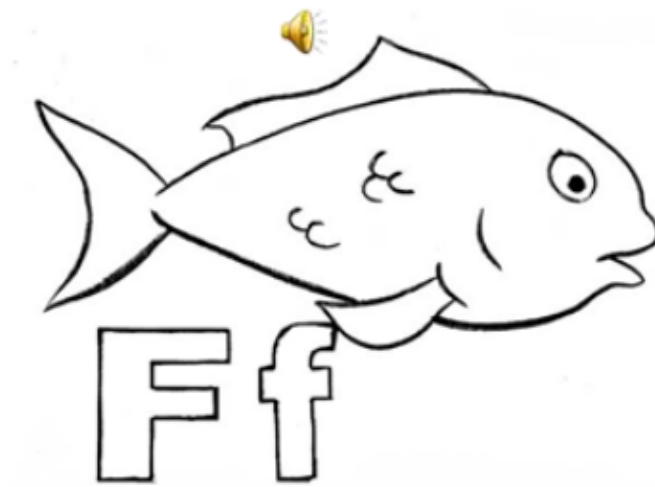
Danielle is a really smart dog. I'm not sure there is any dog smarter than she is. She can do any trick. Absolutely any trick you ask her to do. In fact, if you ask her to do a trick, she'll say, "Duh, of course I can!"

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



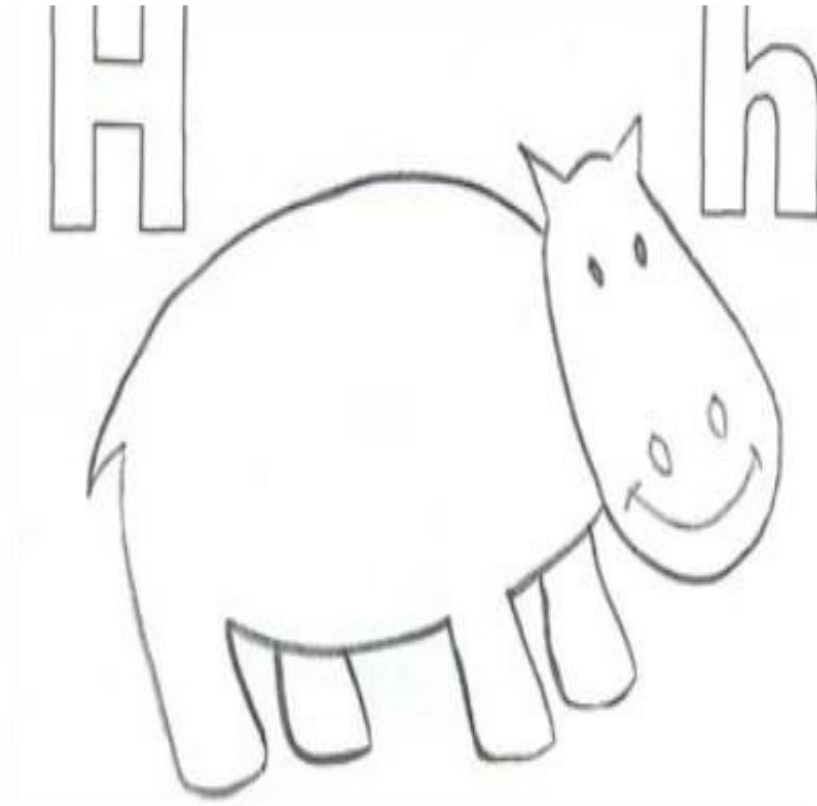
Poor Faith the Fish. She's having a really bad day. First, her school left her behind. Then she swam into a dirty diaper someone had thrown in the river. Just when she thought her day was turning around, she bit into the tasty morsel that she saw and found she had been hooked. Poor Faith the Fish. Right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

Greg the Goat



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

Harold the Hippo



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

Issac the Iguana



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

John the Jaguar



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

Keith the Kangaroo



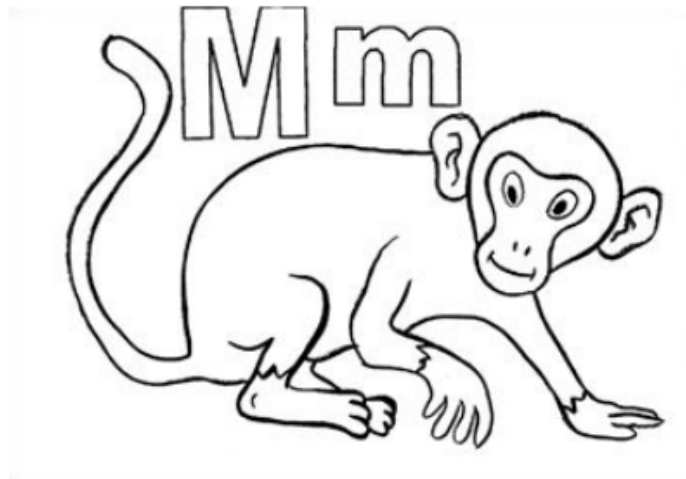
Keith the Kangaroo has very sensitive hearing. That means that he can hear very well. Don't whisper anything about him because he will hear it! In fact, if you walk by wearing a watch, do you know what he'll hear? Beyond the sound of your footsteps, he'll be able to hear your watch ticking, "k, k, k."

Lee the Lion



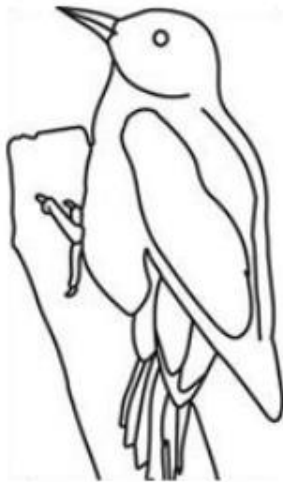
Lee the lion loves the sound of his name. You can hear him saying it all the time, "LLLLlllee." You might think he would be stuck up and in love with himself, but he's not. He just loves that name! Or, maybe he just likes sticking out his tongue! Listen to him now, "LLLLlll, LLLLLLLlllee."

Michelle the Monkey



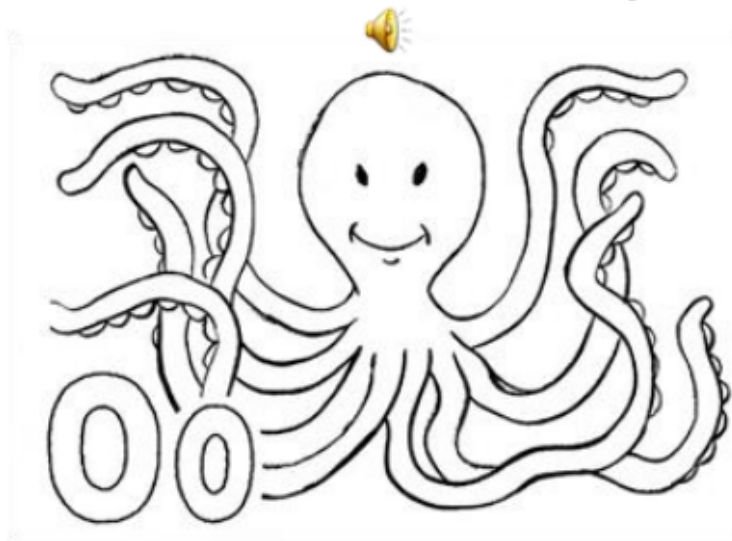
You won't believe what I am going to tell you, but Michelle the Monkey's favorite food is not bananas. If she could choose anything in the world to eat, do you know what she would pick? Meatballs! Really! Once a happy circus goer was walking around the animal cages on the circus grounds and eating a 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.

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



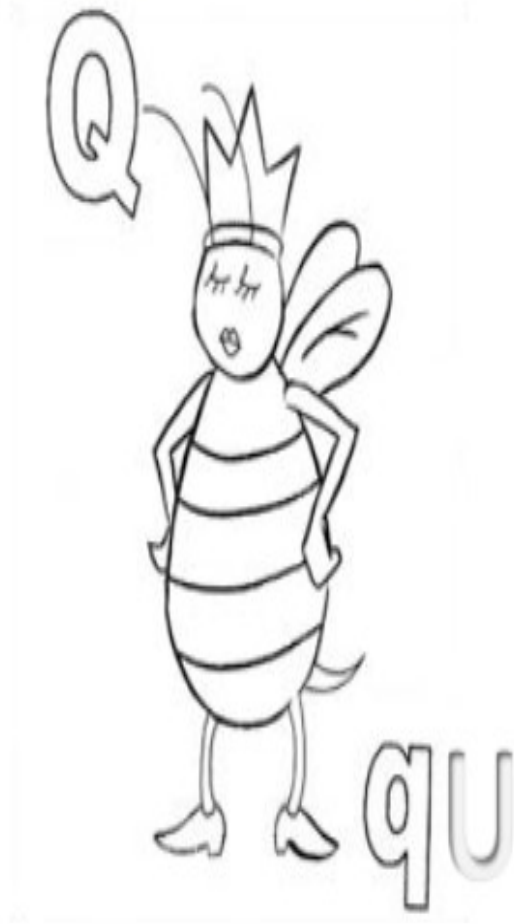
Olivia sometimes wears a smile on her face, but not always. The problem is she tends to worry. She worries about so many things. Right now she's worried that her tonsils need to be removed from the back of her throat. She keeps asking people if her tonsils look red. She opens her mouth wide to show anyone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

Paul the Parrot



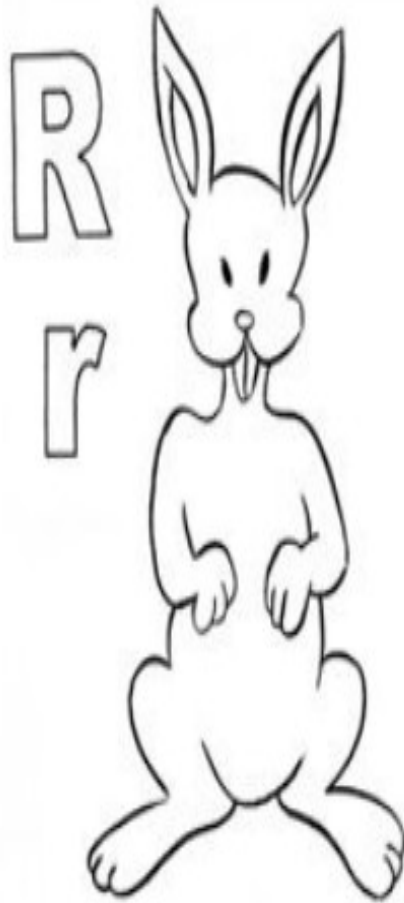
Paul the Parrot's family is from a tropical climate. That means that he is used to very warm weather. He prefers to live in hot, sticky jungles. The problem is that he doesn't live in a jungle. The circus travels with all of its animals and sometimes they are in chilly places. Paul the Parrot doesn't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

Queenie the Queen Bee



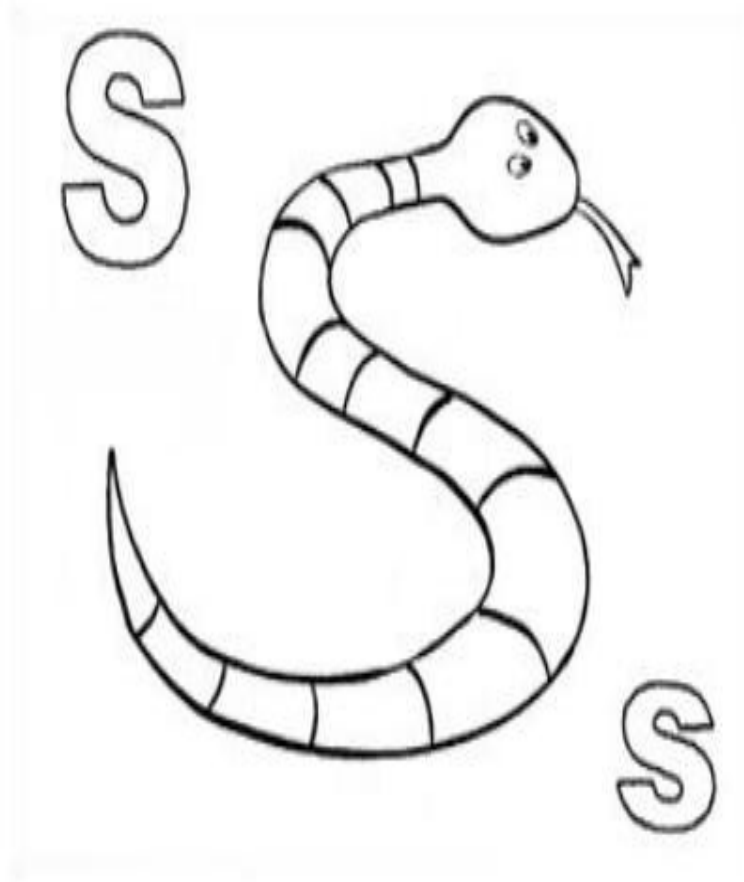
Queenie is the Queen of Bobby's hive. She's never alone as you can see. She is constantly with her underlings, her servants. Being the queen, she is used to having others constantly serve her. If anyone ever keeps her waiting, she starts tapping her foot and making this sound, "Qu, qu, qu," which means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

Robert the Rabbit



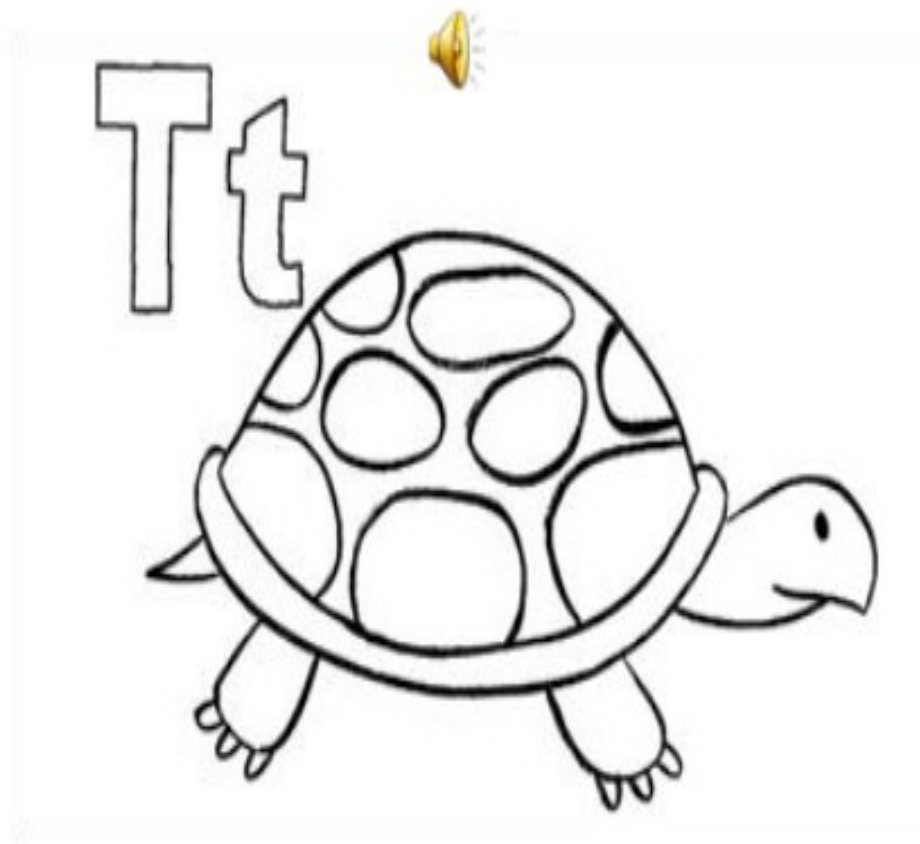
Robert the Rabbit is always on the go. He doesn't like to sit still. He's always moving about. Even if his feet stop his nose and ears keep moving! He doesn't like getting held up in one place. There's only one time when it happens. When he's struggling to pull a carrot up from the ground. He'll take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

Sammy the Snake



Sammy the Snake is a horrible sneak. I don't mean that he's a horrible, sneaky kind of guy. I mean he's horrible at sneaking! He can't sneak up on anybody! Everyone always knows he's near because they hear him. They hear, "Sssss." Then they know Sammy is close.

Timothy the Turtle



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

Ulysses the Unicorn



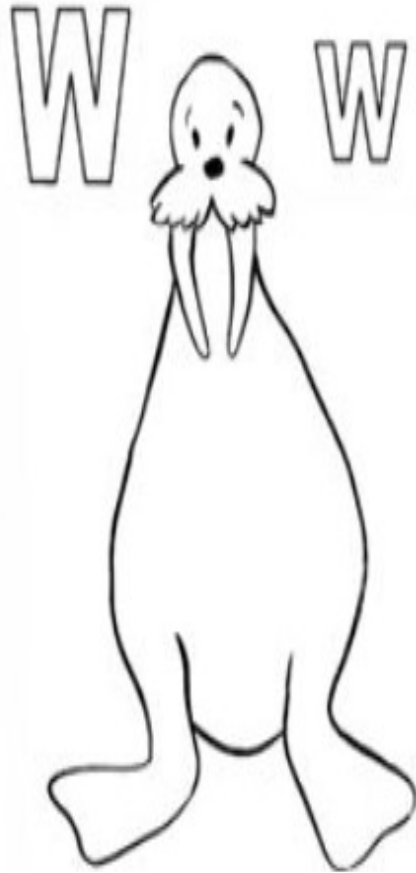
Ulysses has many talents. You can imagine how excited people are to see him in the circus act. He can spin a basketball on his horn. He can catch hoops on his horn. He can do many things. His biggest problem is that he forgets to look where he's going. He starts running and doesn't look up and wham. His 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 he hits something you'll hear Ulysses sound like this, "Uh."

Victor the Vulture



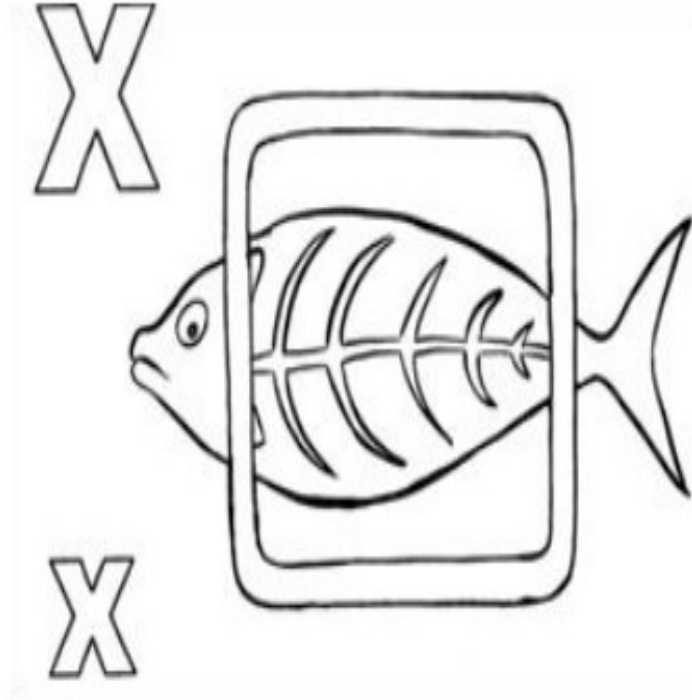
Victor the Vulture is entirely misunderstood. He's a really nice fun guy. When people see him, they think an animal must have died! It makes people nervous. That's why it's so unexpected when he shows up in the circus act driving an ambulance! Victor loves to hear the audience start to laugh when they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

William the Walrus



William the Walrus is a natural performer, a real show stopper. I know you would love to see his act. His trick is called the helicopter. He spins himself on his head with his tail bent down to the side so that his tail looks like helicopter blades going round and round. It even sounds like a helicopter when he wooshes around, "W, w, w, w, w."

Xavier the X-ray Fish

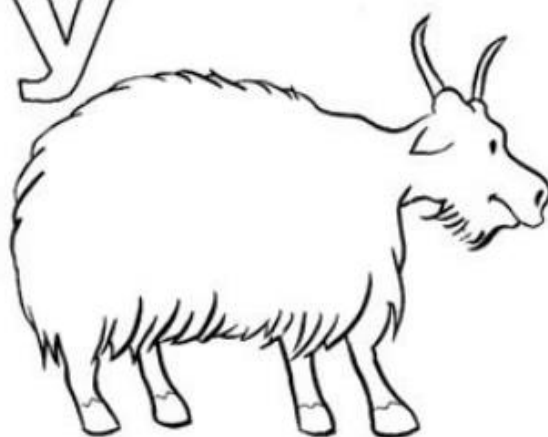


Xavier the X-Ray fish lives in the water tank with Oliver the Octopus. He has a nice life and enjoys being part of the sights and sounds of the circus. You might think he's just a curiosity, something interesting to look at, but even Xavier does tricks. He has been trained to do a back flip any time he 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." He'll flip right over!

Yolanda the Yak

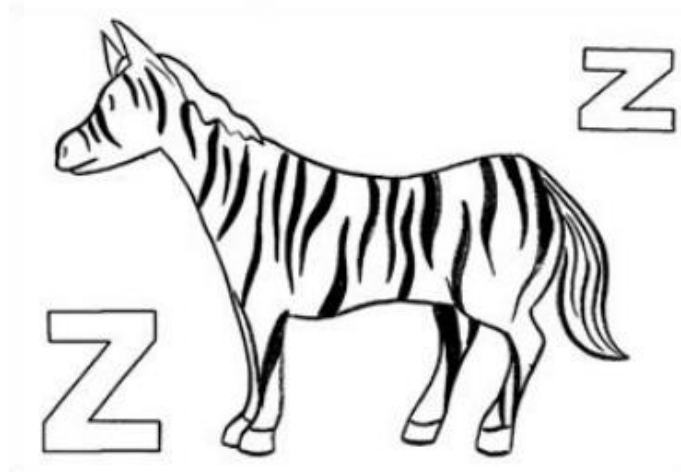


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Yolanda is a hardworking yak. That's why she's so sleepy all the time. You can't look at her for more than ten seconds before you'll see her yawn and hear her sound like this, "Yyyyyy."

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.

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