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To the Parent/Teacher

The *Critical Thinking Coloring Book*™ drawing and coloring puzzles helps students develop deductive reasoning, observation, classification, and fine motor skills. The target age for this product is 4–6; however, the non-graded design makes this applicable for remedial use well beyond first grade.

Building Confidence and Improving Self-Esteem

My favorite expression to use with students who correctly identify a clue or match a pair is, “You are so smart.” Praise students’ success with every clue and encourage them to finish these challenging puzzles. This type of organized analysis is new to students, so try to instill in them the confidence and determination to apply this type of reasoning to other schoolwork. Help them to identify themselves as tenacious problem-solvers.

Materials

Use a pencil and have an easy-to-use eraser handy. The activities are challenging; it is easy for students beginning their first activities to make mistakes.

Teaching Suggestions

When introducing the *Critical Thinking Coloring Book*™ to your students, work through the puzzles with them until they are confident enough to tackle the problems on their own. Try not to do their thinking for them, but make sure that they understand the analytical process involved in solving a puzzle.

How to Solve a *Critical Thinking Coloring Book*™ Puzzle

Read the first instruction, then ask students to compare the first (partly drawn) object in the bottom row with the first completed object in the top row. Point to the first object in the bottom row and ask, “Could this object be this object?” (Point to the first object in the top row.)

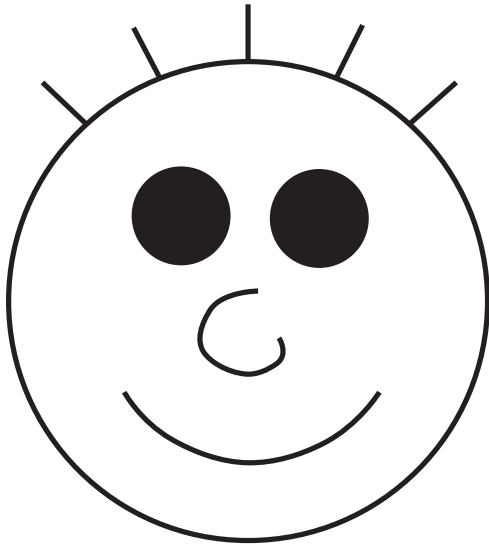
If their answer is correct, ask them how they know. If they answer incorrectly, point out one of the reasons that the partly completed object in the bottom row can or cannot be the completed object in the top row.

Continue comparing the features of the first incomplete object to the completed objects in the row above until the students successfully match the first incomplete object with its completed form. Have them draw a line connecting the completed object with its incomplete form. Now, ask the students to finish drawing the incomplete object so that it looks like the completed drawing. When they finish, analyze their work with them, comparing feature by feature to make sure they have drawn all the missing information correctly.

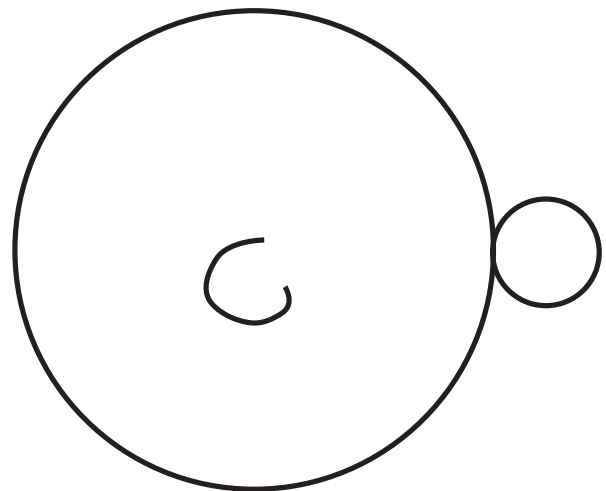
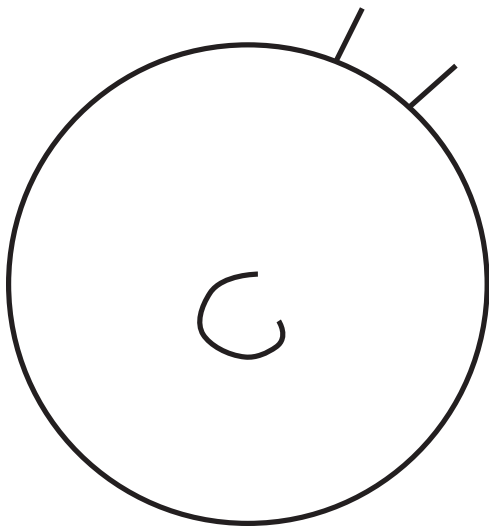
Now point to the second incomplete object in the bottom row and repeat the same process. Once students successfully complete all of the objects, it is time to move on to the second part of the activity.

The students will be asked to circle one of the objects on the bottom row based on identifying information given. After they have completed this task, they will be asked to color one of the objects in the bottom row. These instructions will vary, but the intent is the same, to hold their interest, yet give them an opportunity to enjoy coloring at least one item on the page.

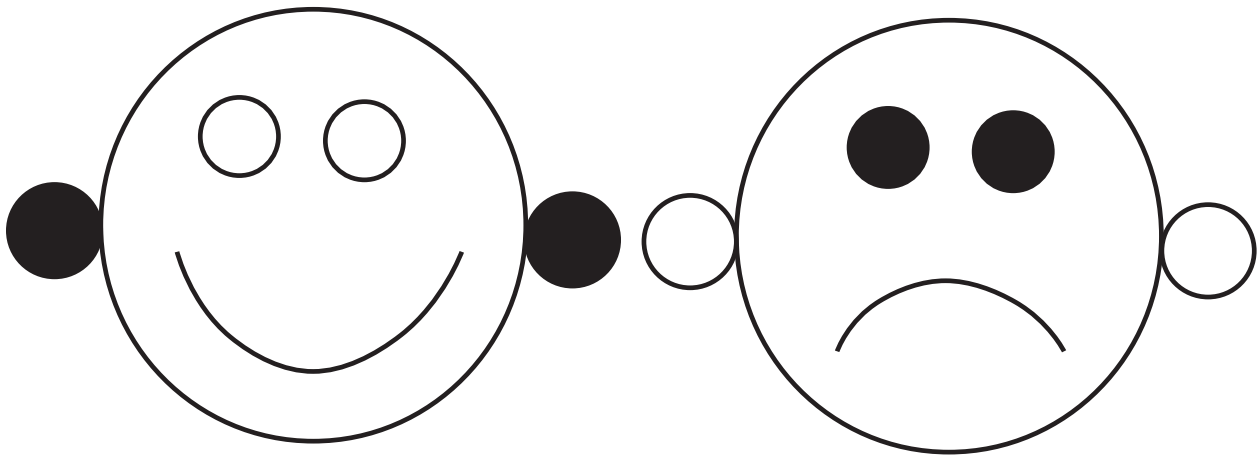
Provide the needed guidance and support for each activity until the students understand and demonstrate the necessary problem-solving process to work independently. Have fun, and remember to teach students that critical thinking is fun and that they are good at it.



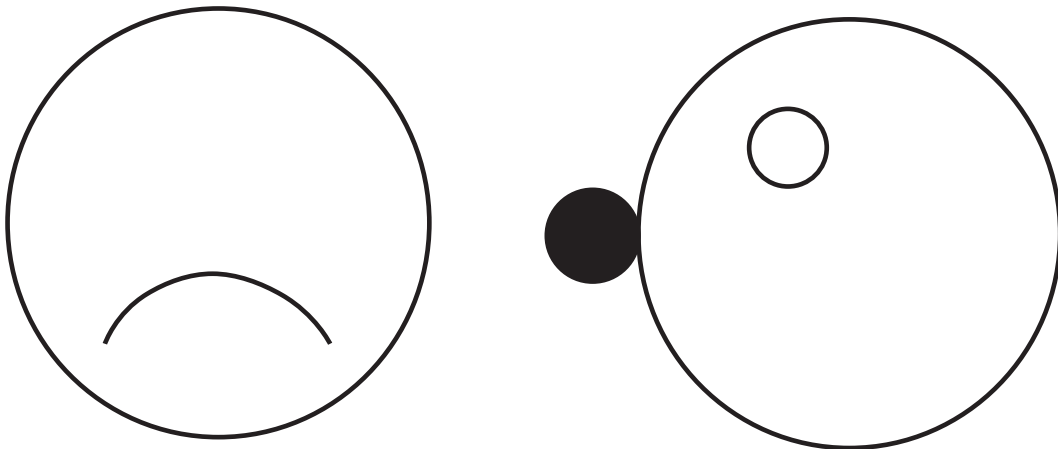
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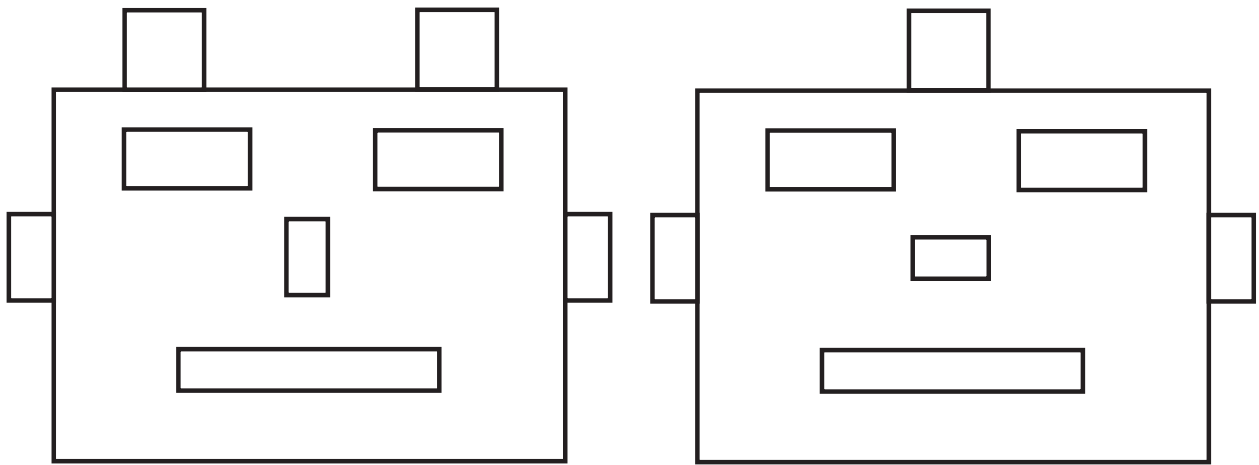
2. Circle the face that has ears.
3. Color the face that has hair.



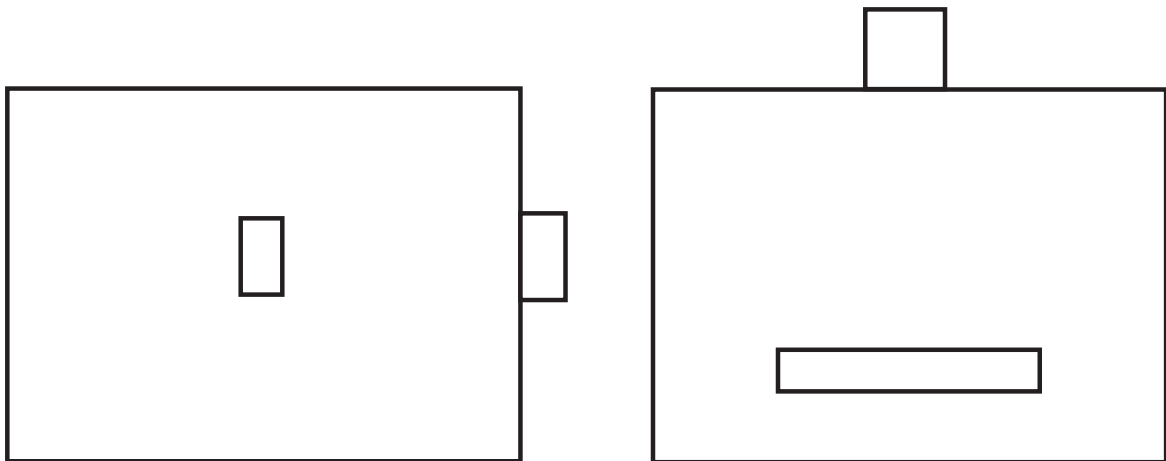
1. Look at each face above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the sad face.
3. Color the happy face.

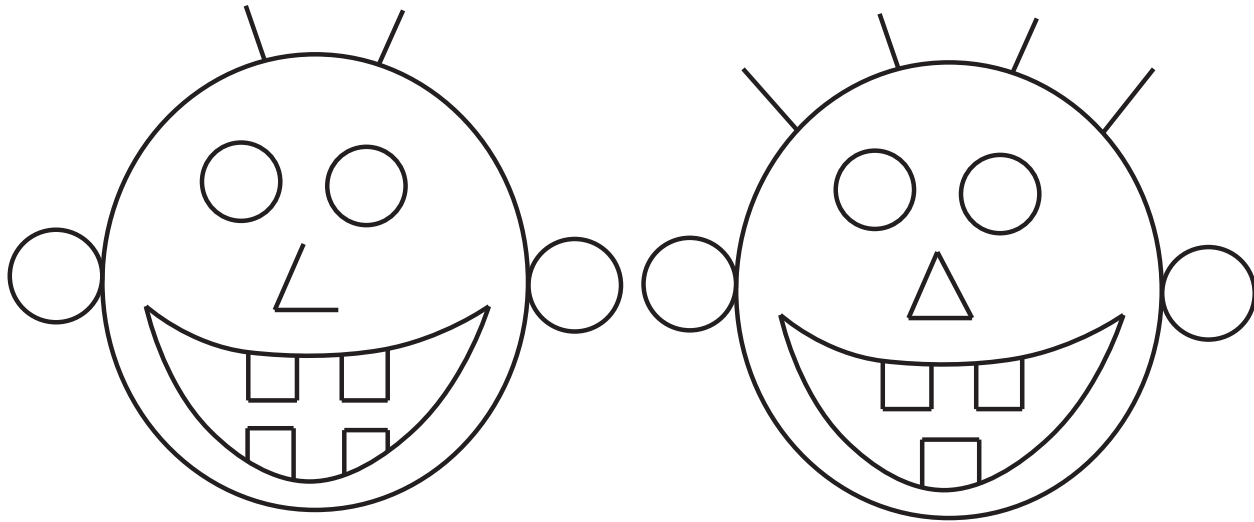


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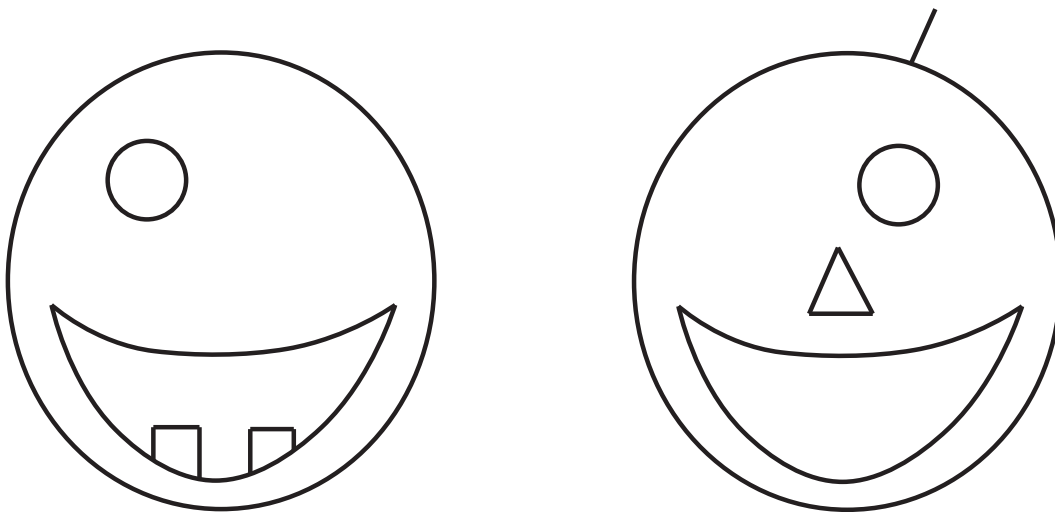


2. Circle the face that has two blocks of hair.
3. Color the face that has one block of hair.

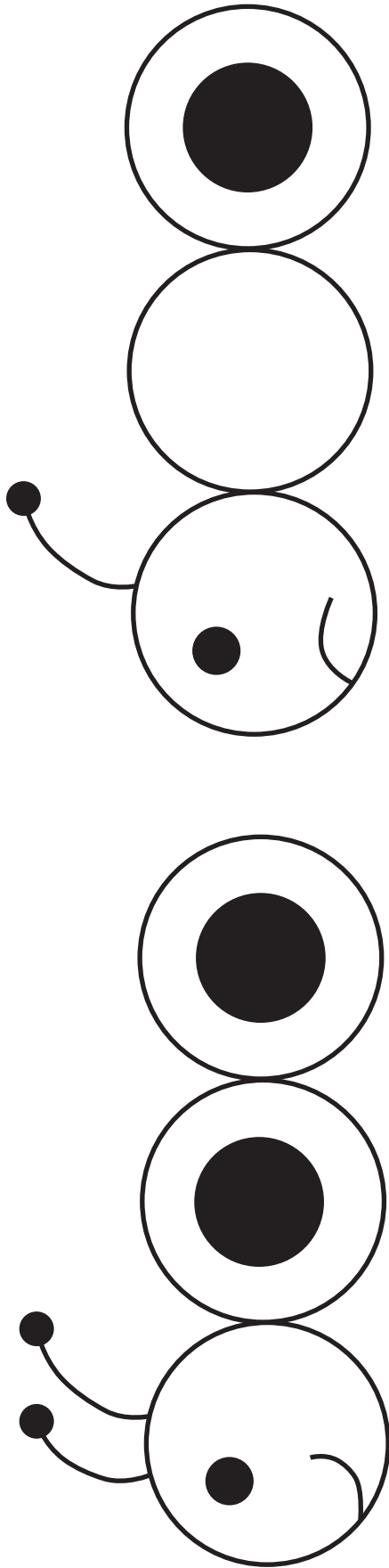
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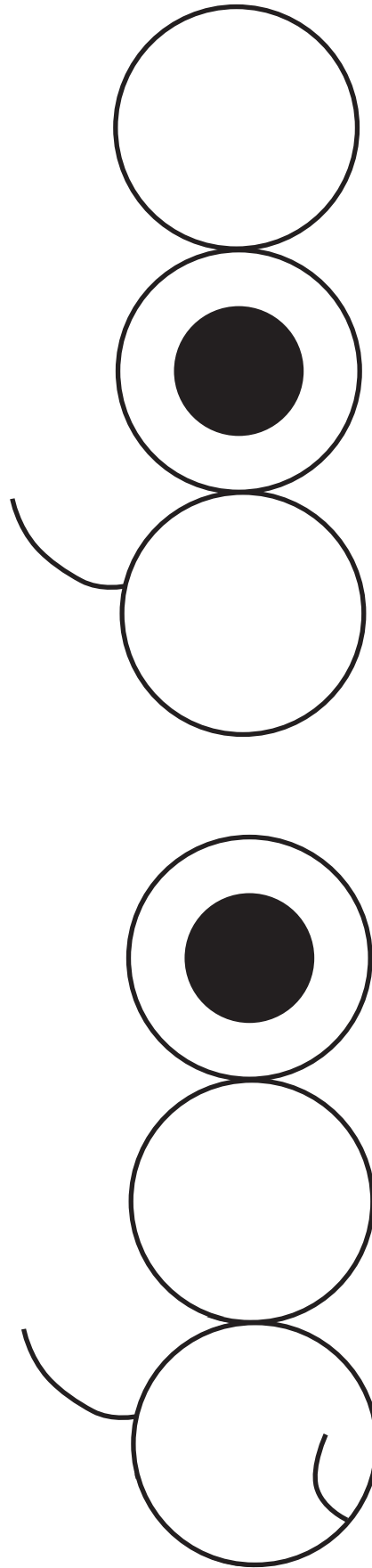
1. Look at each face above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the face that has three teeth.
3. Add a beard to one of the faces.
4. Color the face that has four teeth.

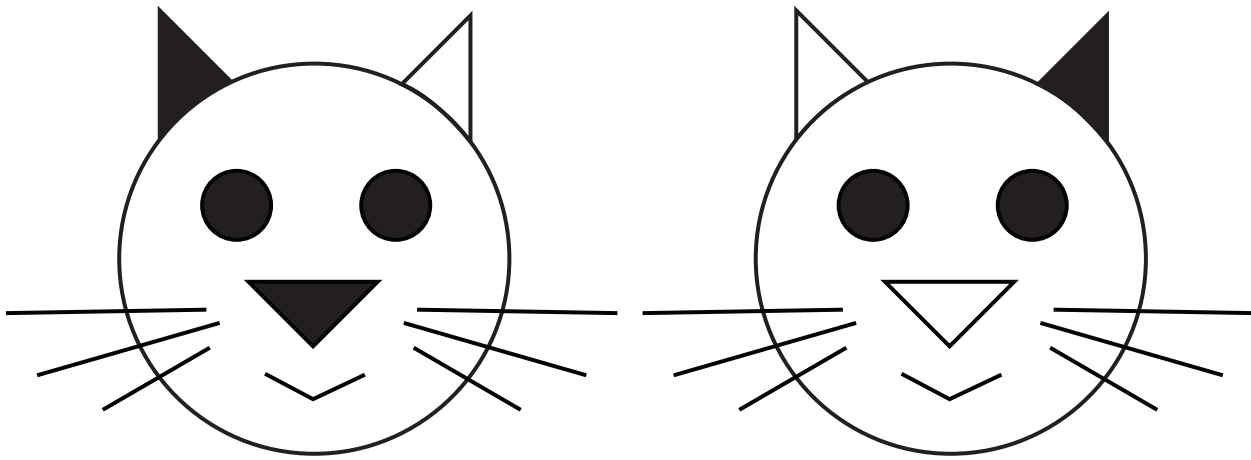


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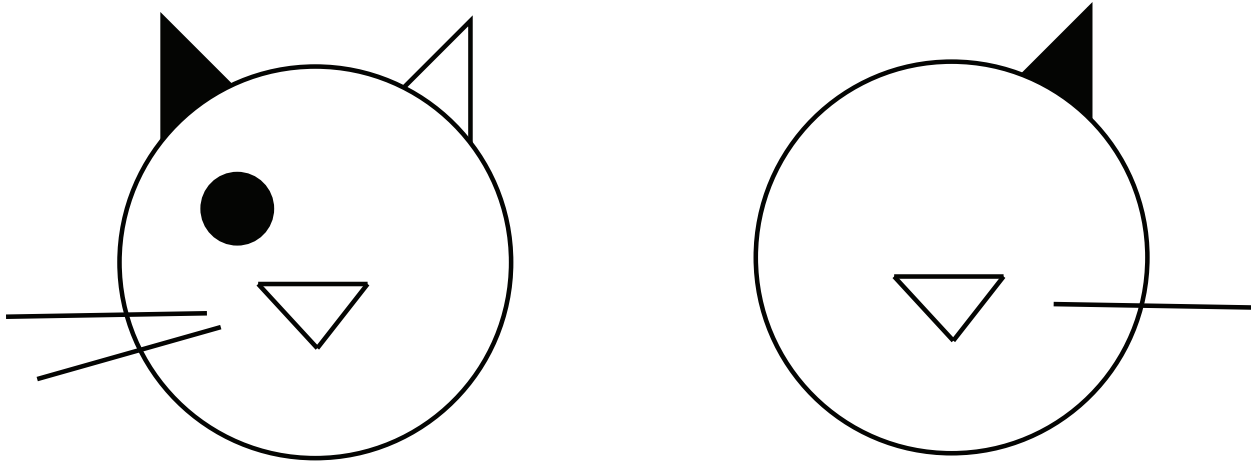


2. Circle the bug that has two black dots.

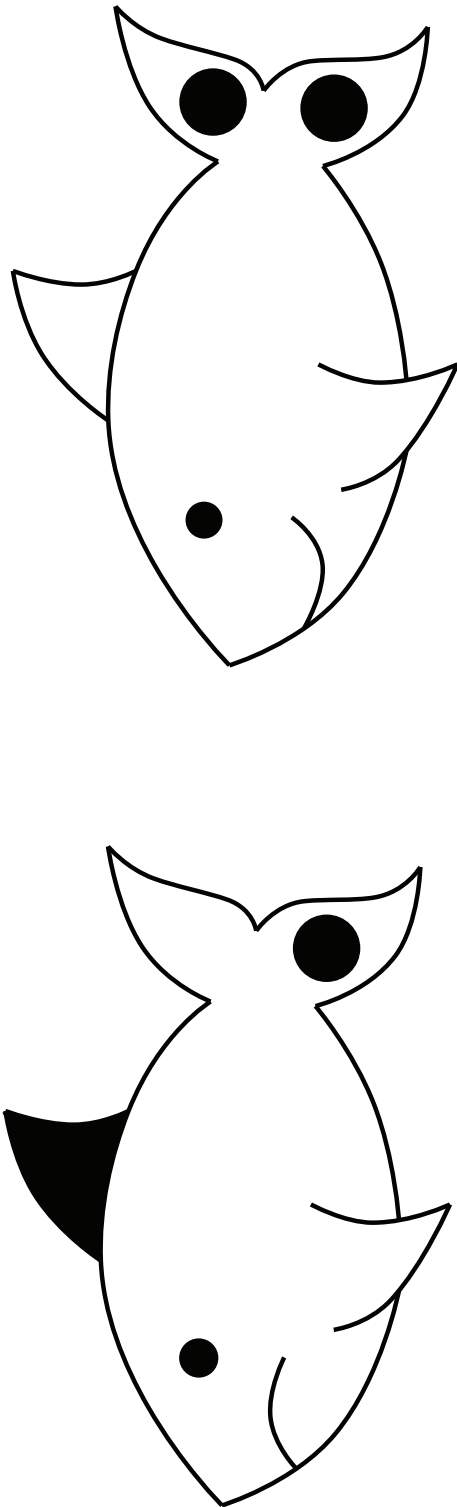
3. Color the bug that has one black dot.



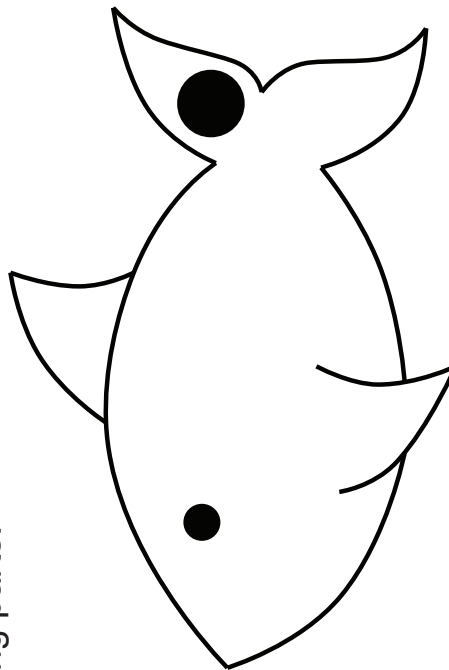
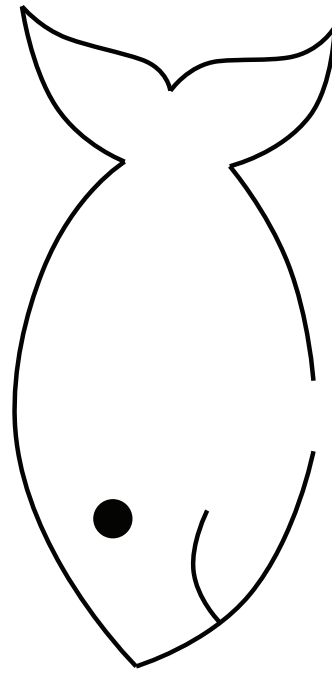
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2. Circle the cat that has a black nose.
3. Color the cat that has a white nose.

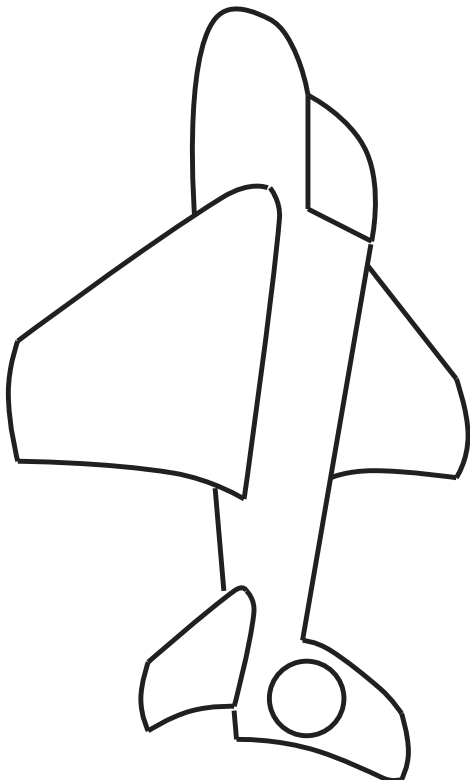
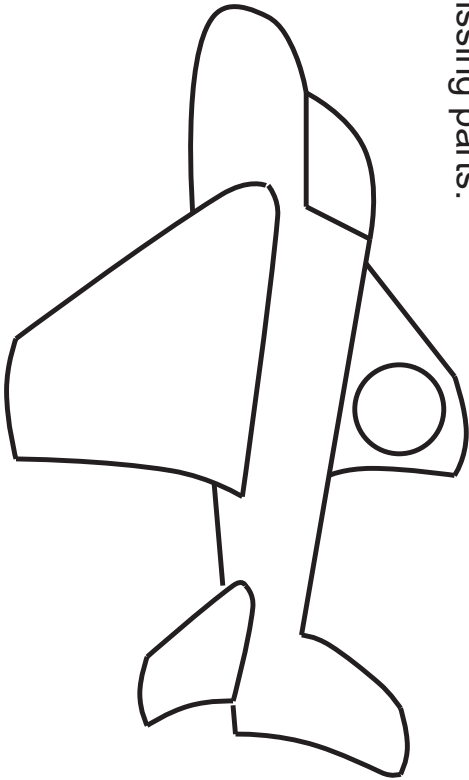
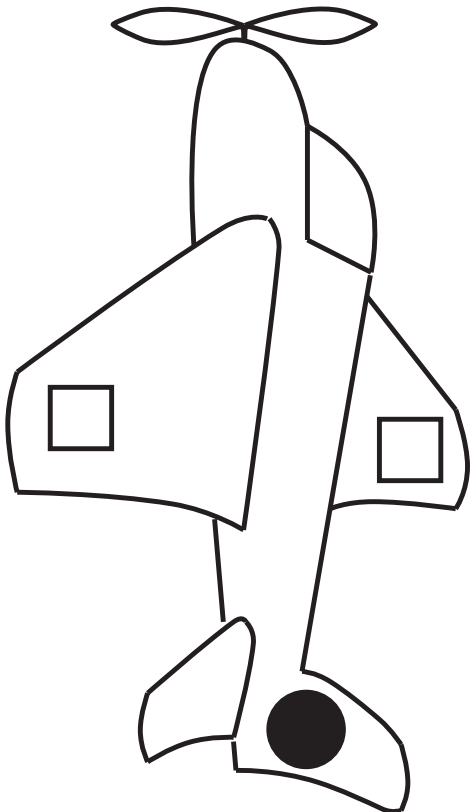
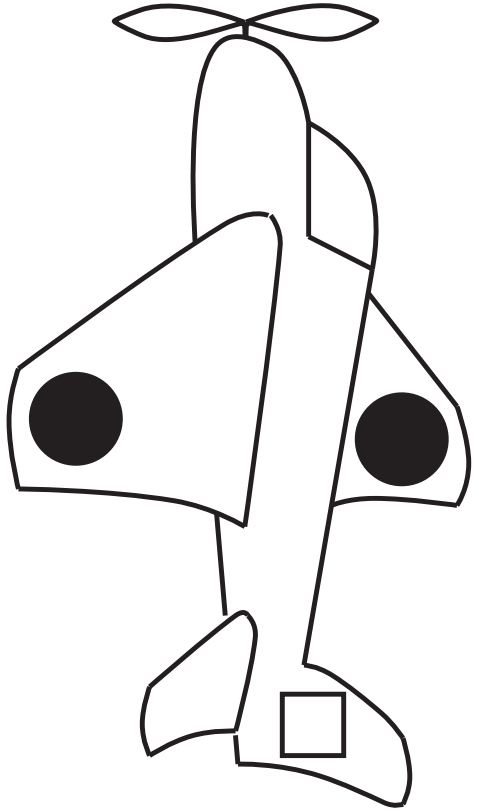


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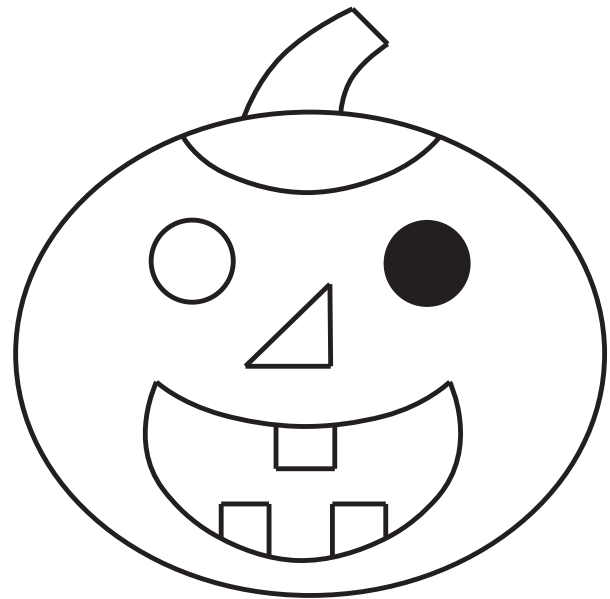
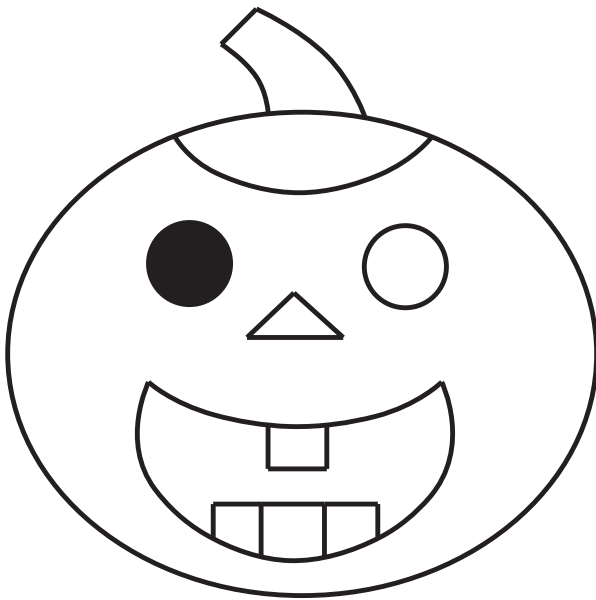


- 2. Circle the fish that has two black dots on its tail.
- 3. Add something that lives in the water to the picture.
- 4. Color the sad fish.

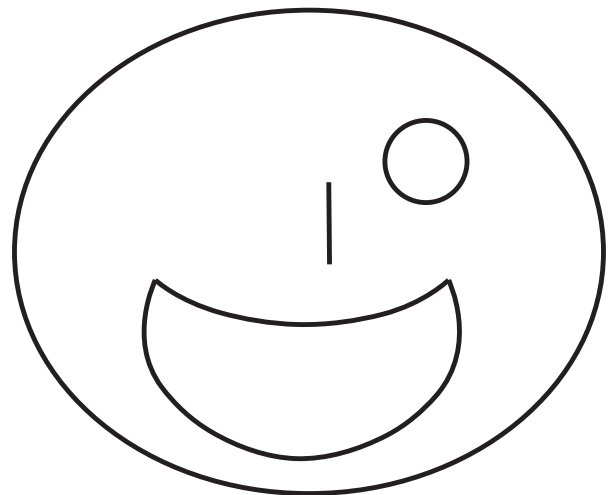
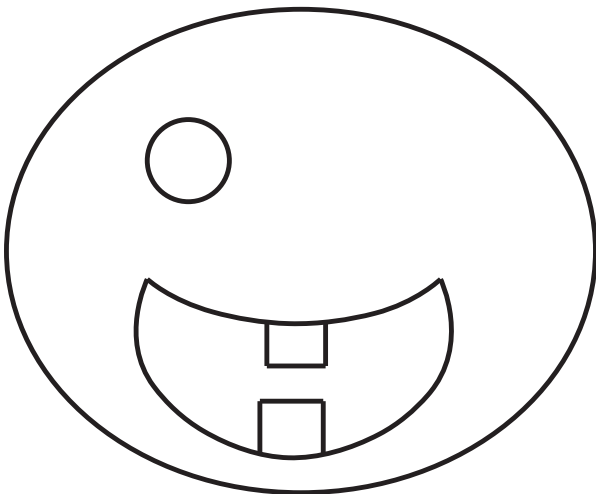
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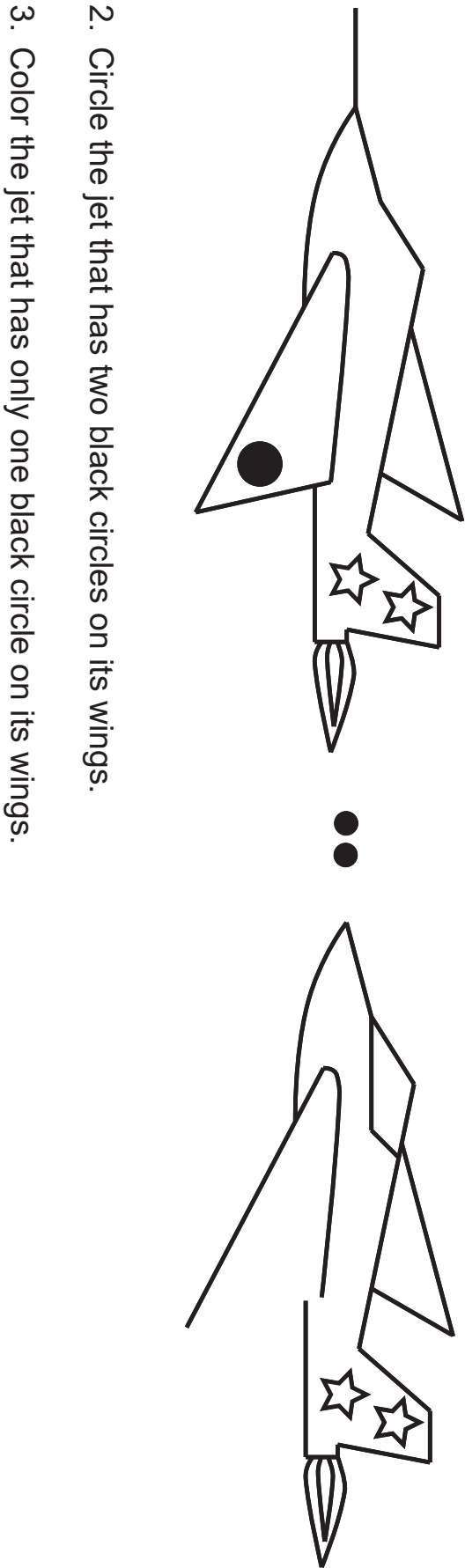
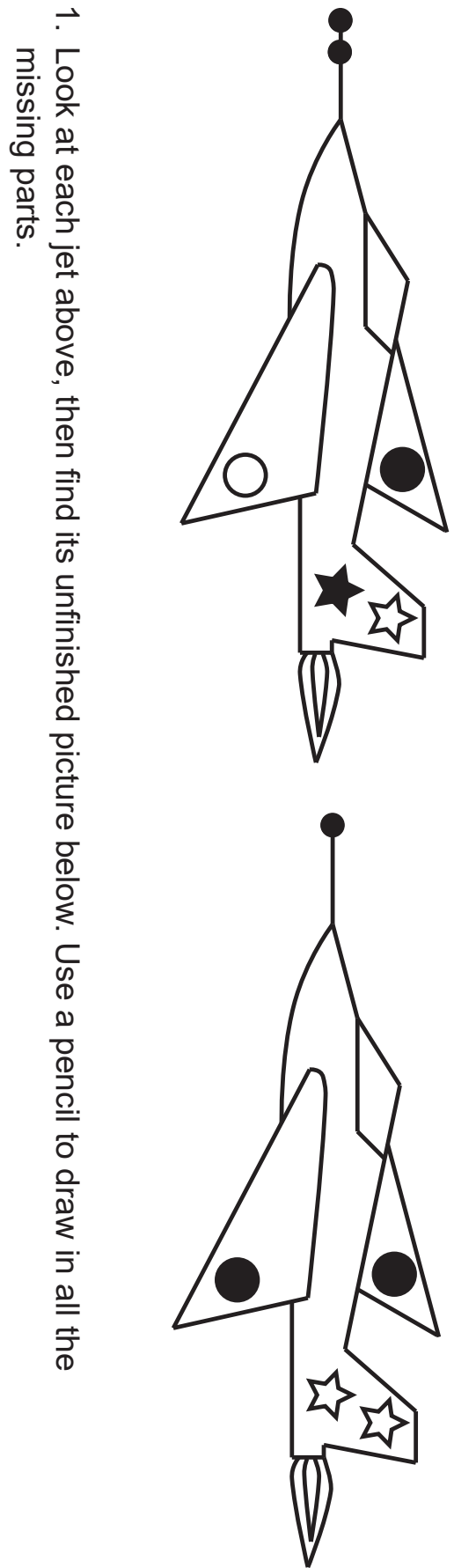
2. Circle the airplane that has a square on its tail.
3. Draw something in the picture that you see in the sky.
4. Color the airplane that has a circle on its tail.

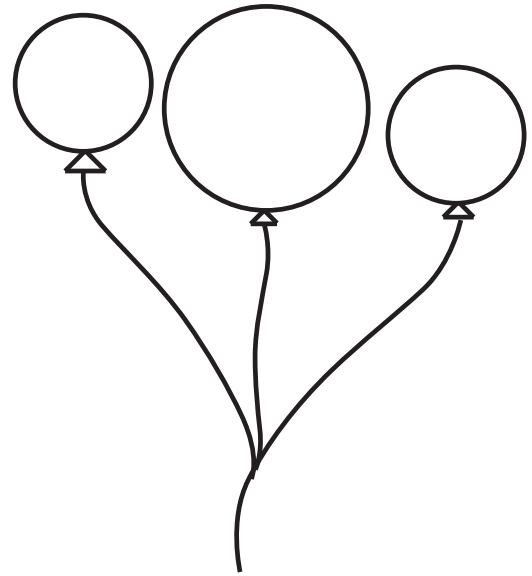
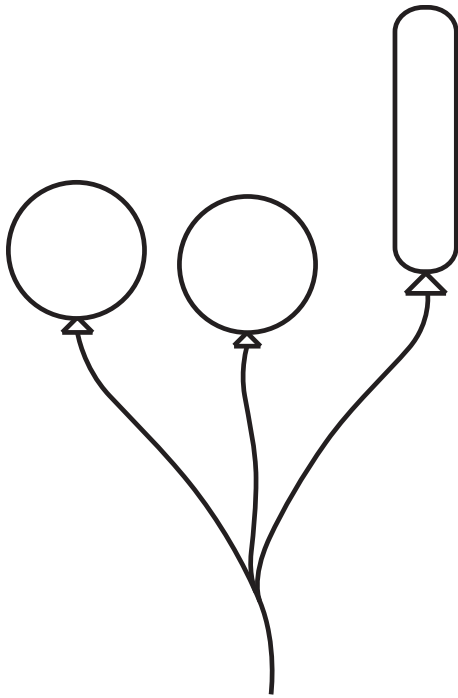


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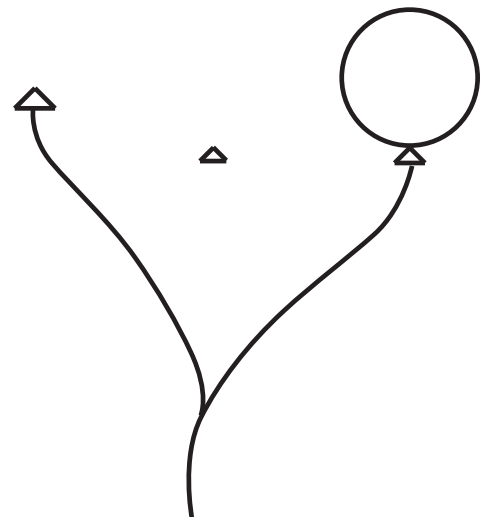
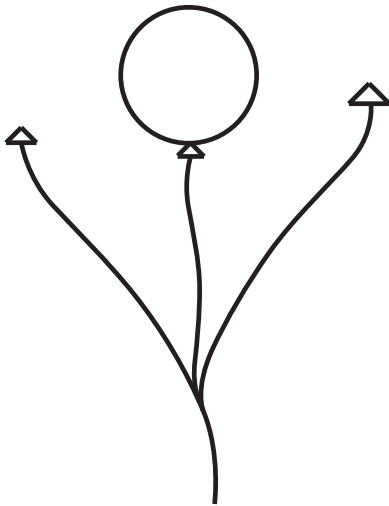


2. Circle the pumpkin that has only three teeth.
3. Color the pumpkin that has four teeth.



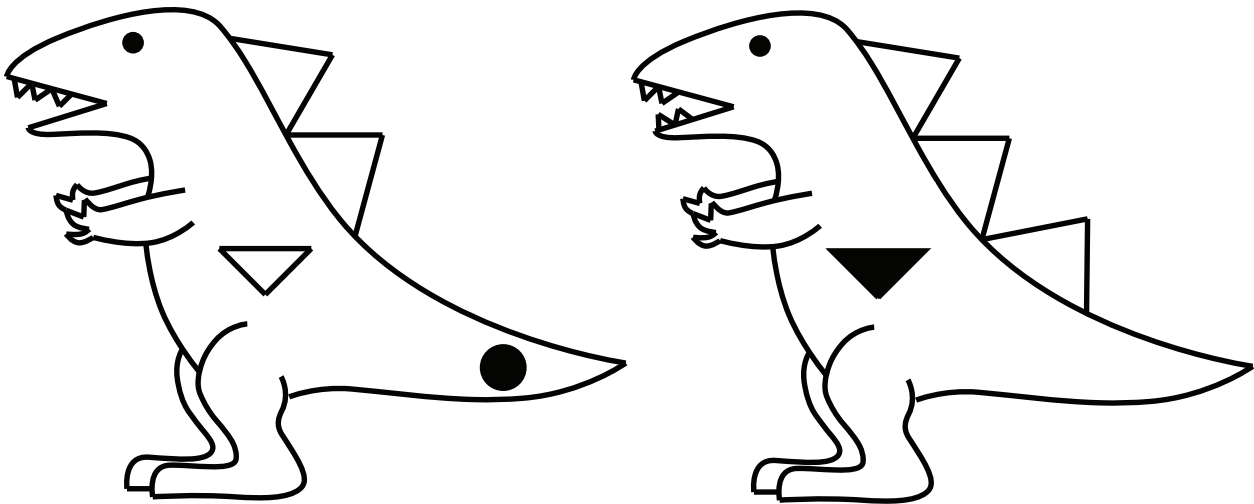


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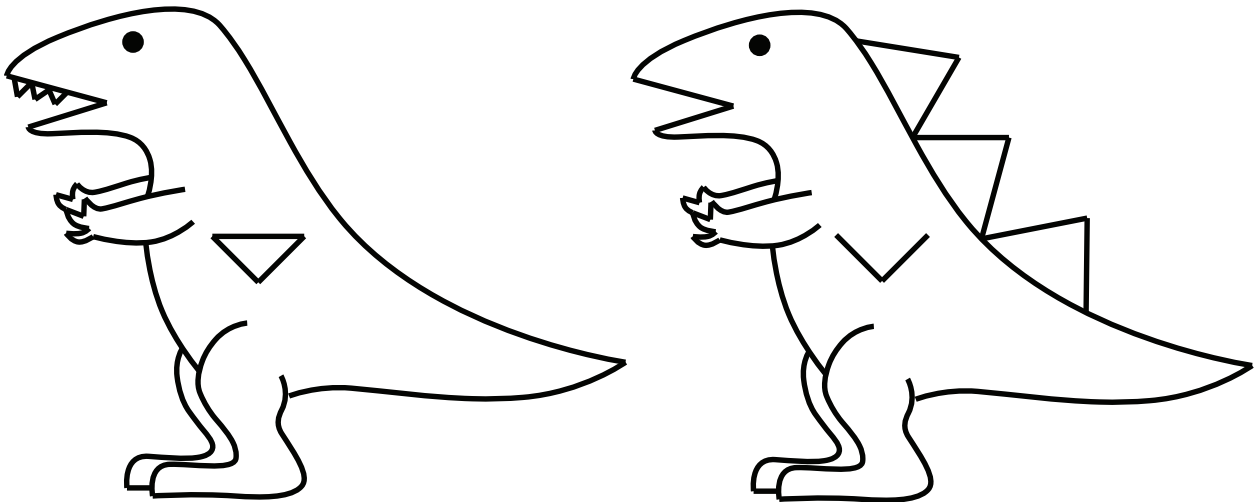


2. Circle the biggest balloon.
3. Color the longest balloon.

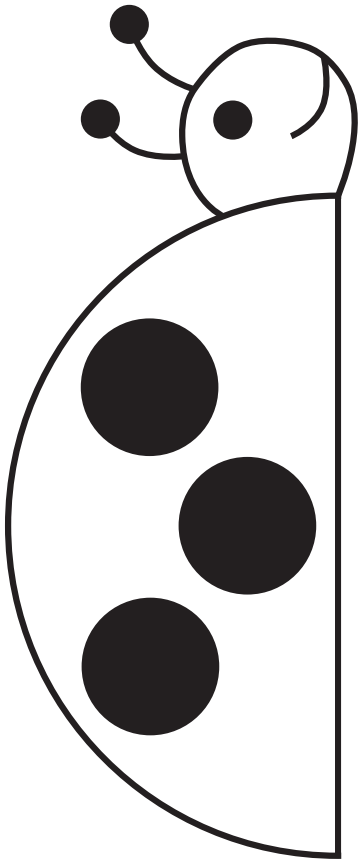
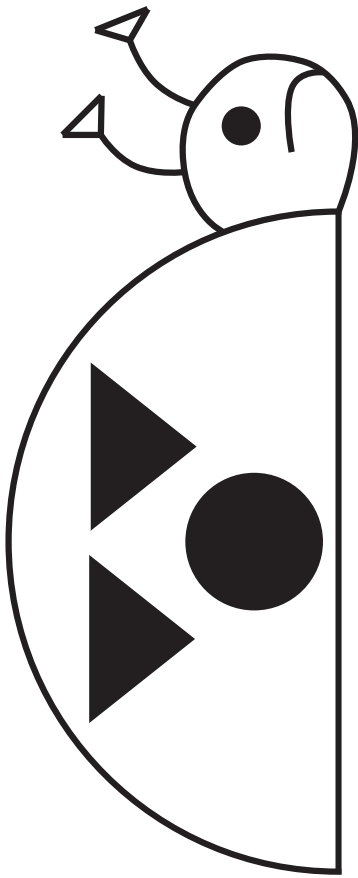
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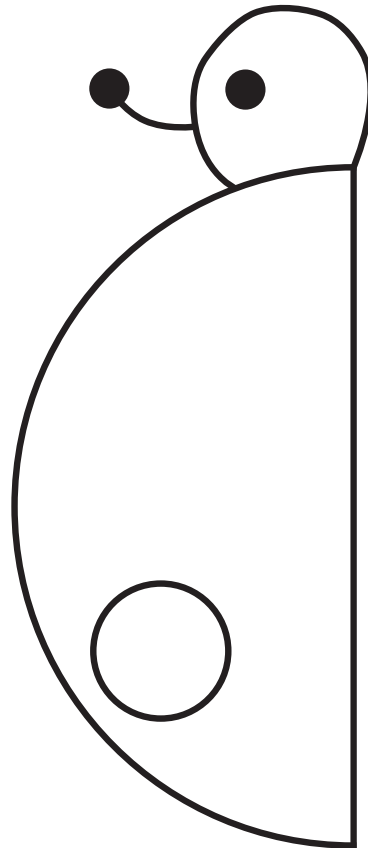
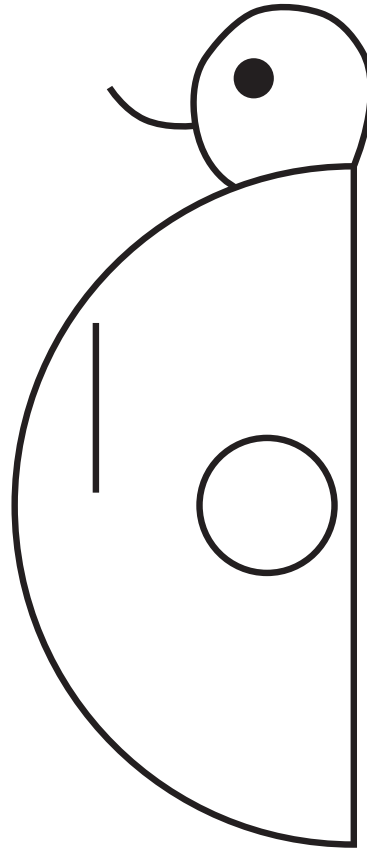
1. Look at each dinosaur above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the dinosaur that has a black triangle on its body.
3. Draw something for the dinosaurs to eat.
4. Color the dinosaur that has a black circle on its tail.

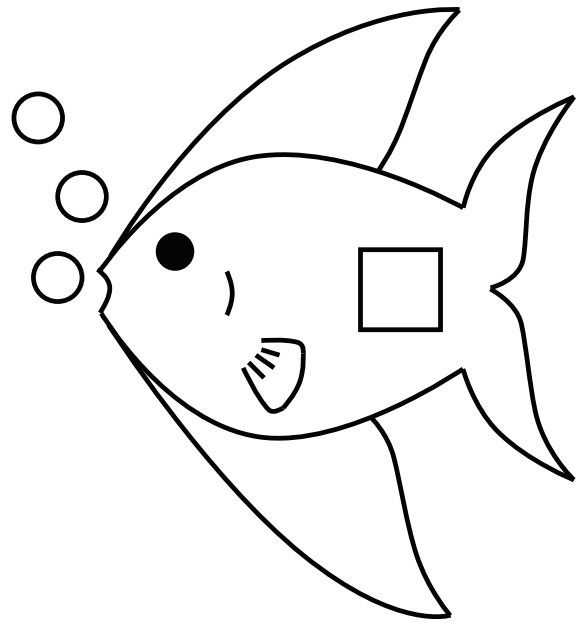
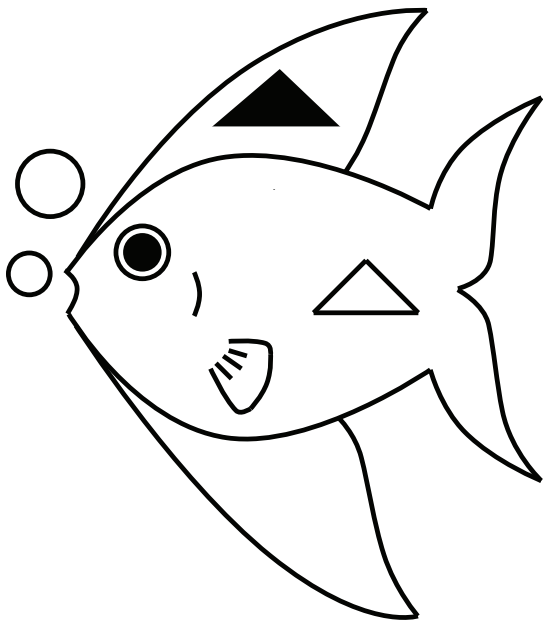


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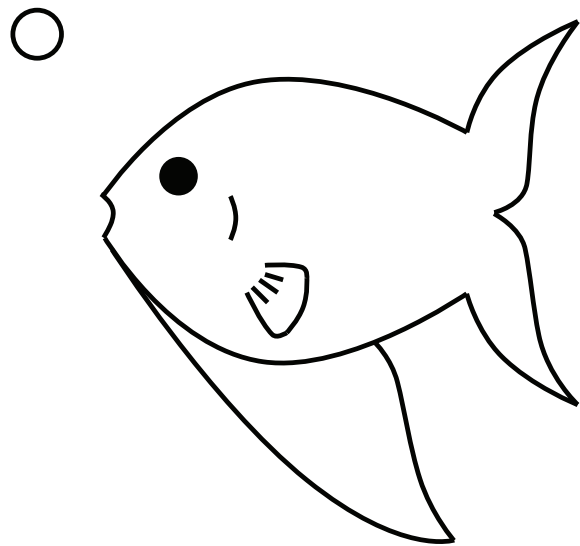
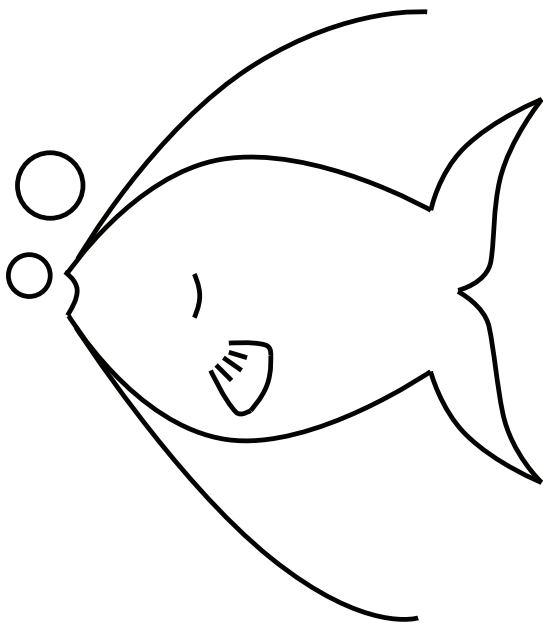


2. Circle the happy ladybug.

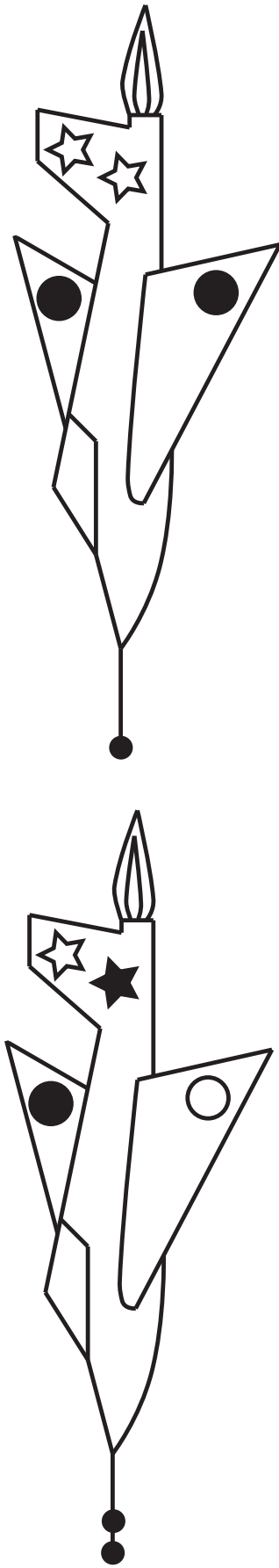
3. Color the sad ladybug.



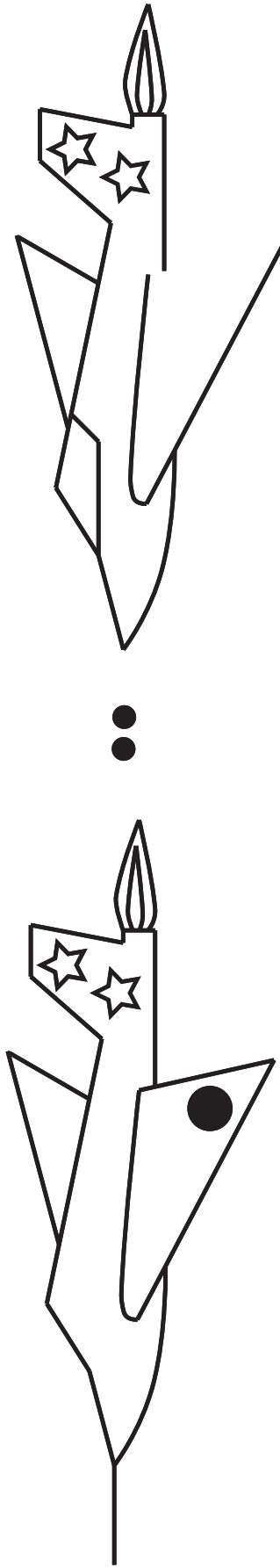
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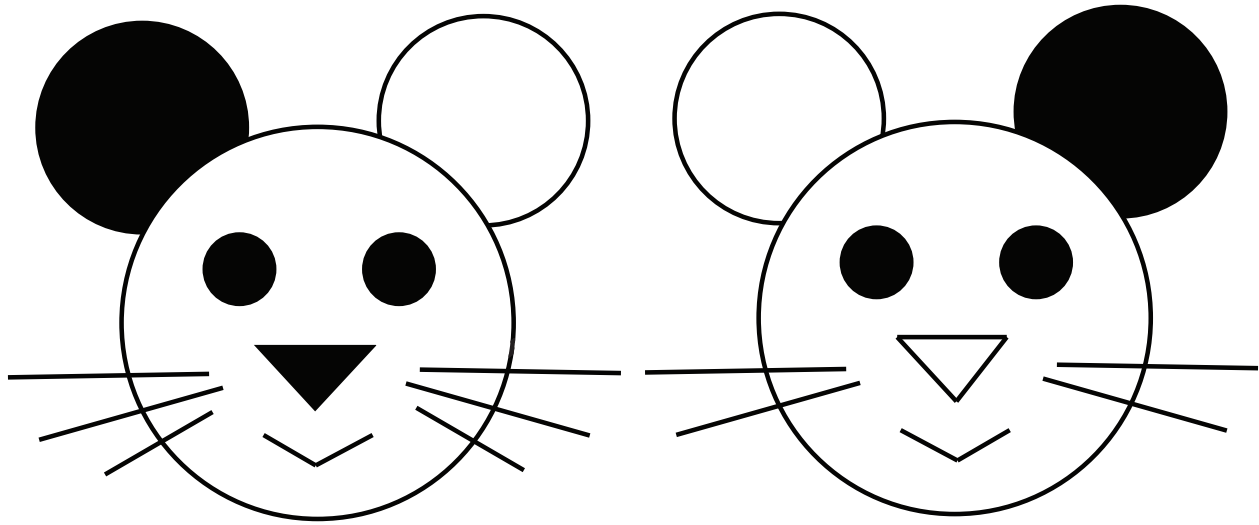
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3. Color the fish that has three bubbles.



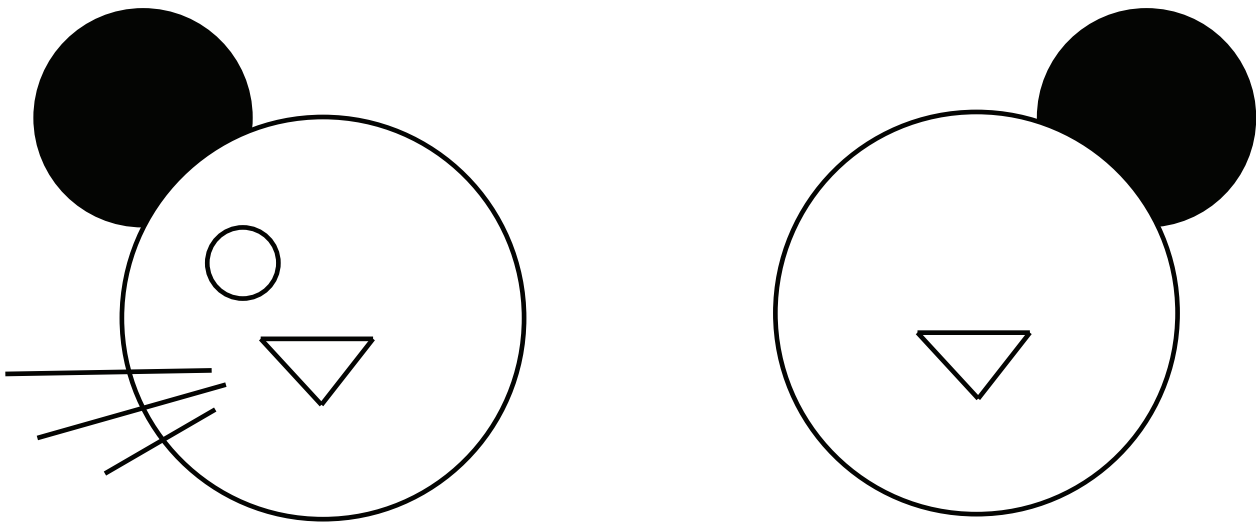
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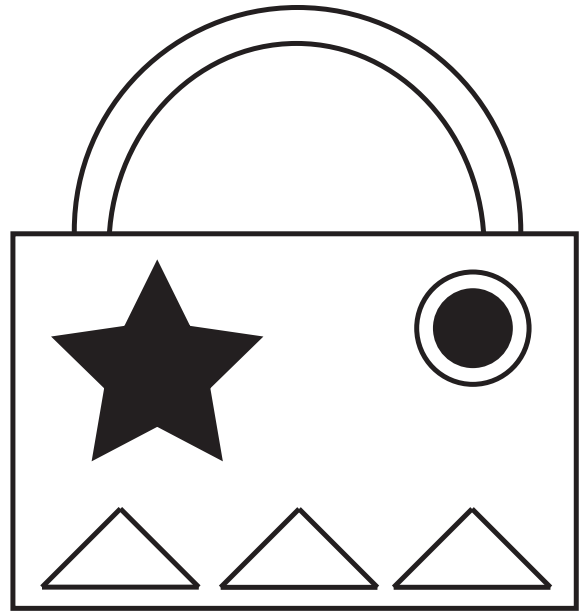
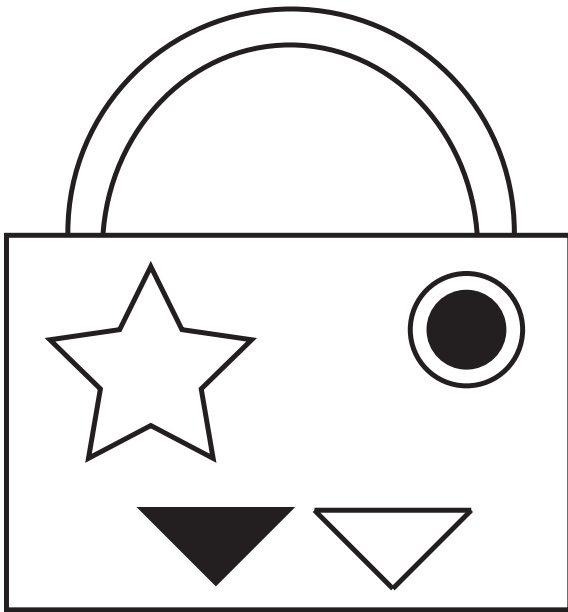
2. Circle the jet that has two black circles.
3. Color the jet that has one black star.



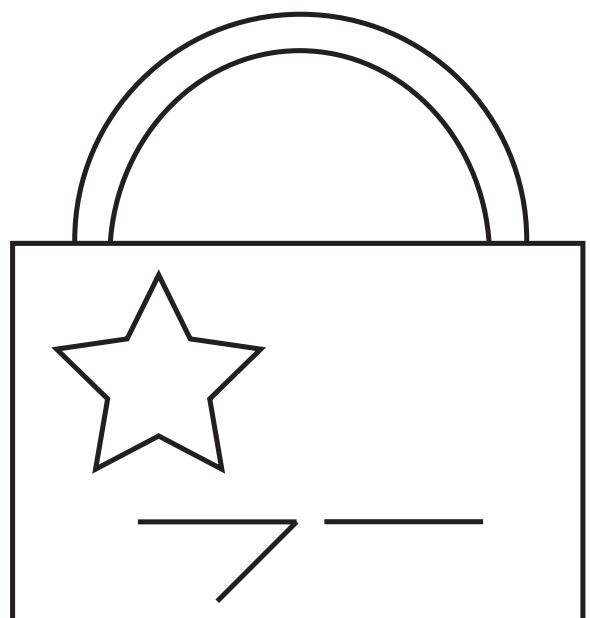
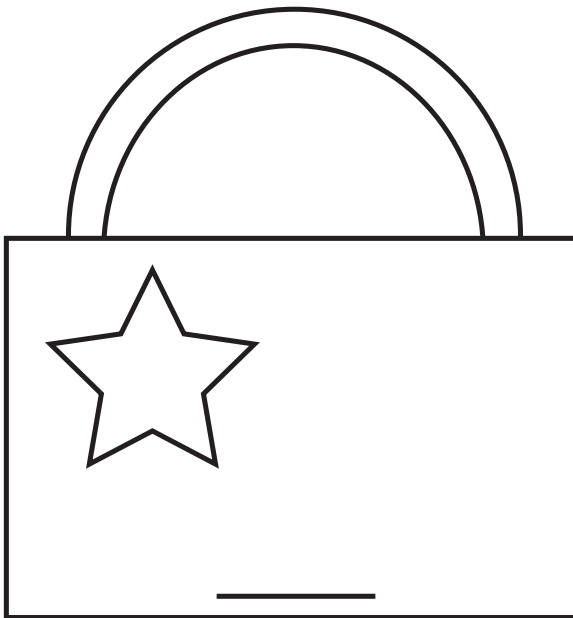
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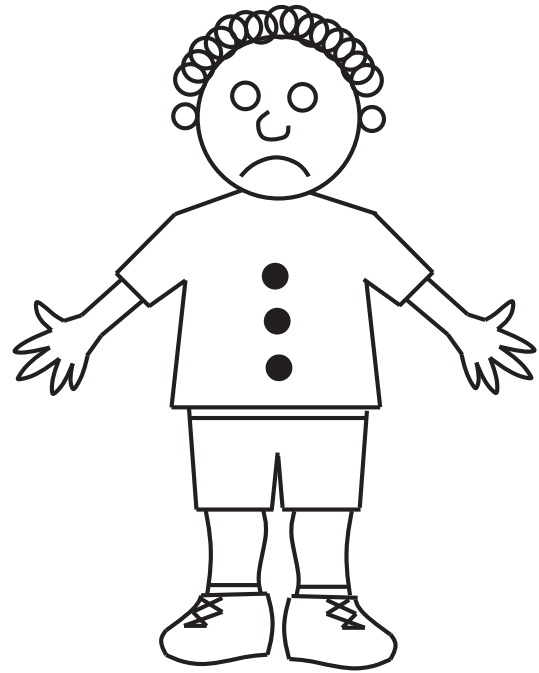
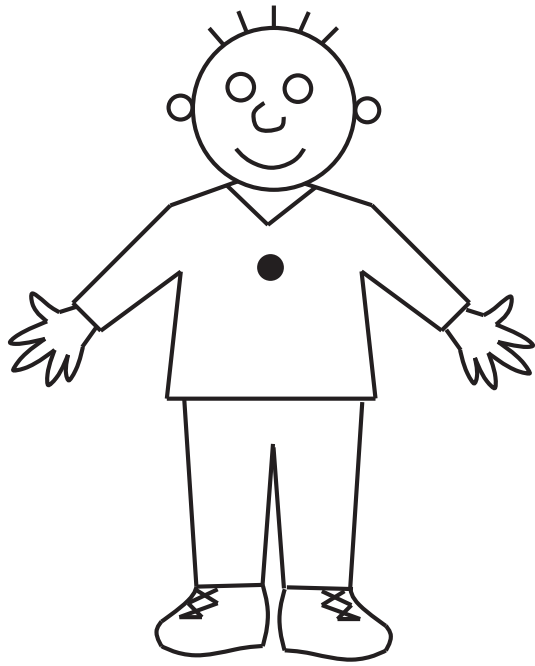
2. Circle the mouse that has four whiskers.
3. Draw something for the mice to eat.
4. Color the mouse that has a black nose.



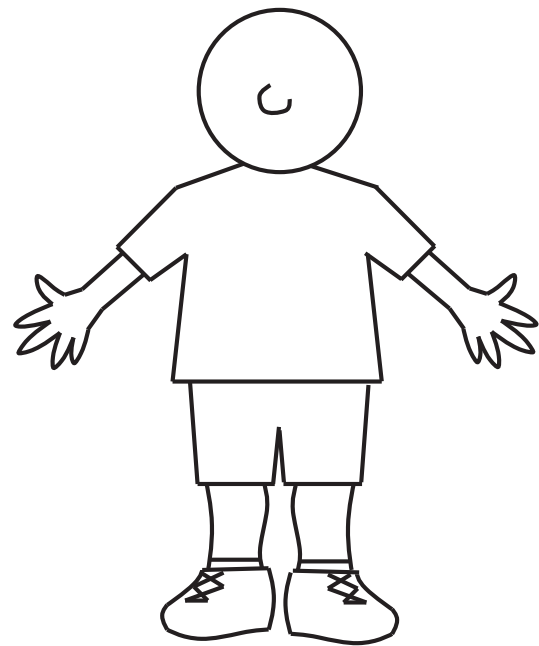
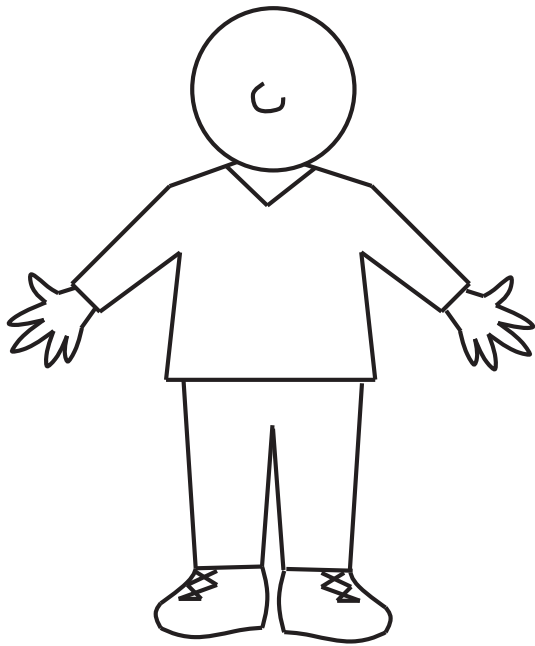
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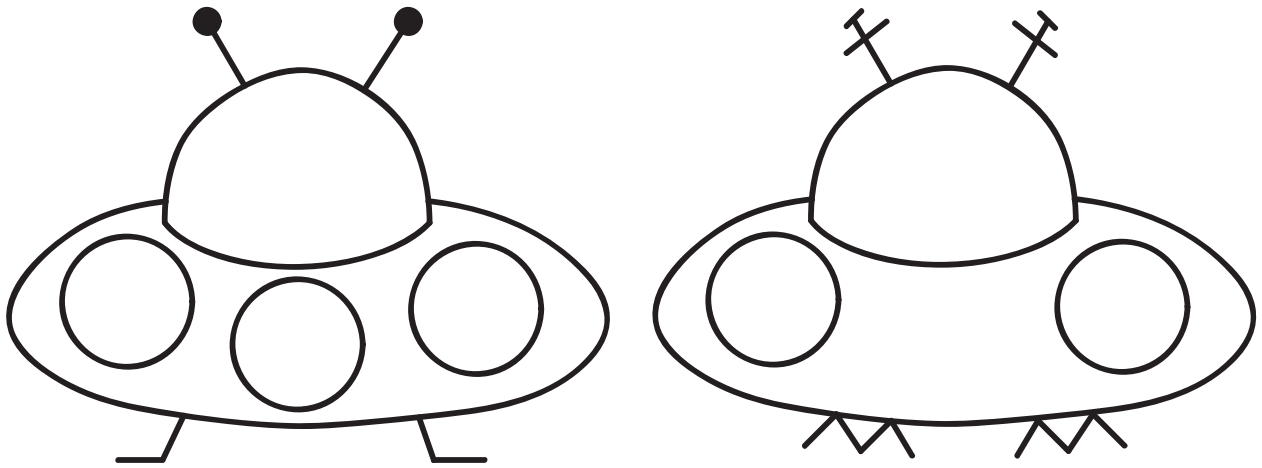
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3. Color the purse that has two triangles.



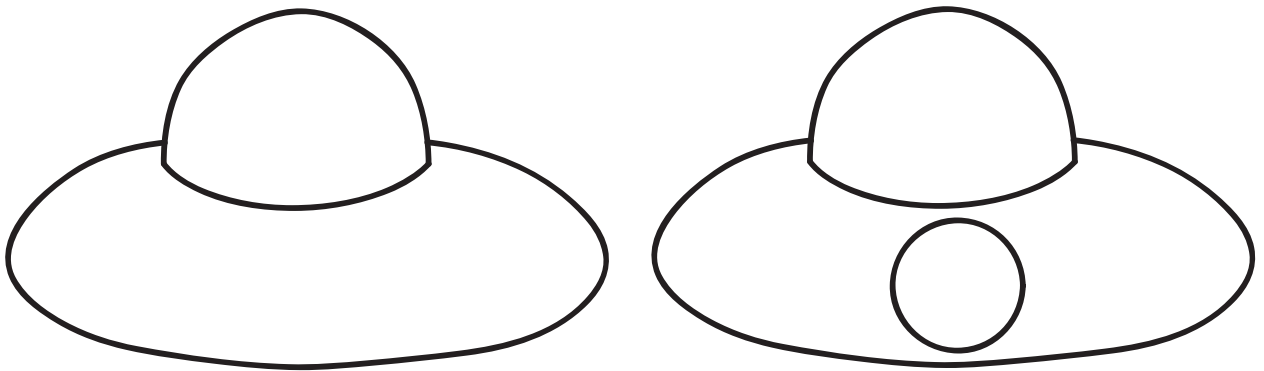
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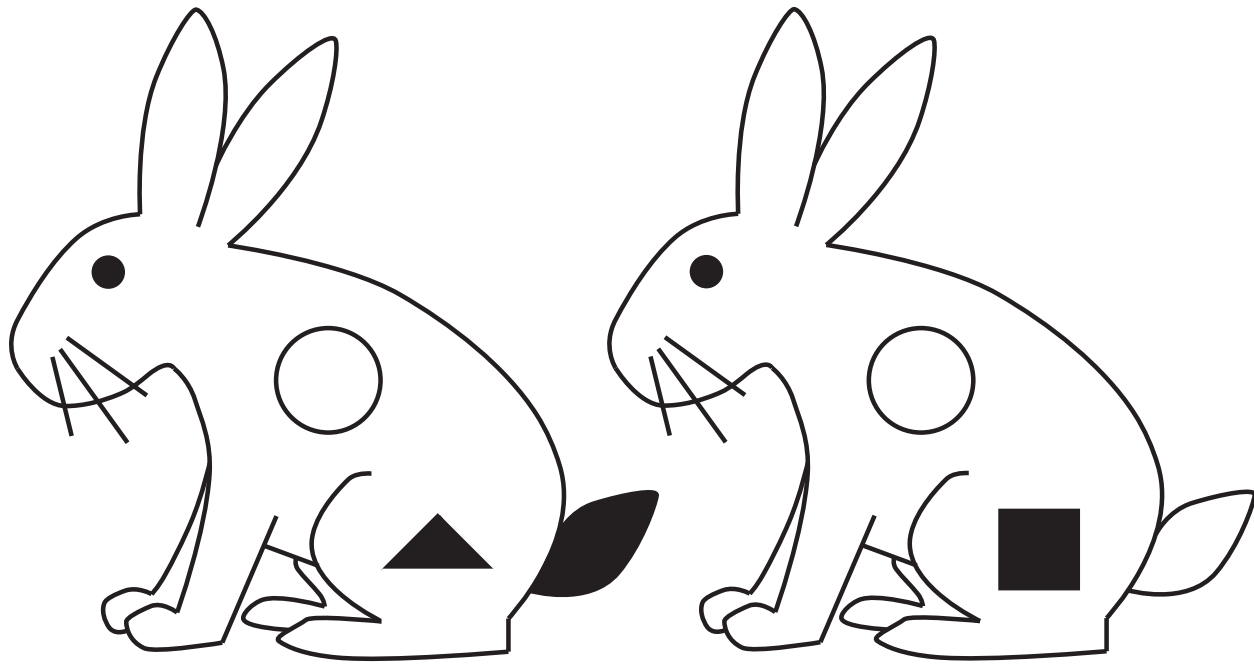
2. Circle the boy who has three buttons on his shirt.
3. Color the happy boy.



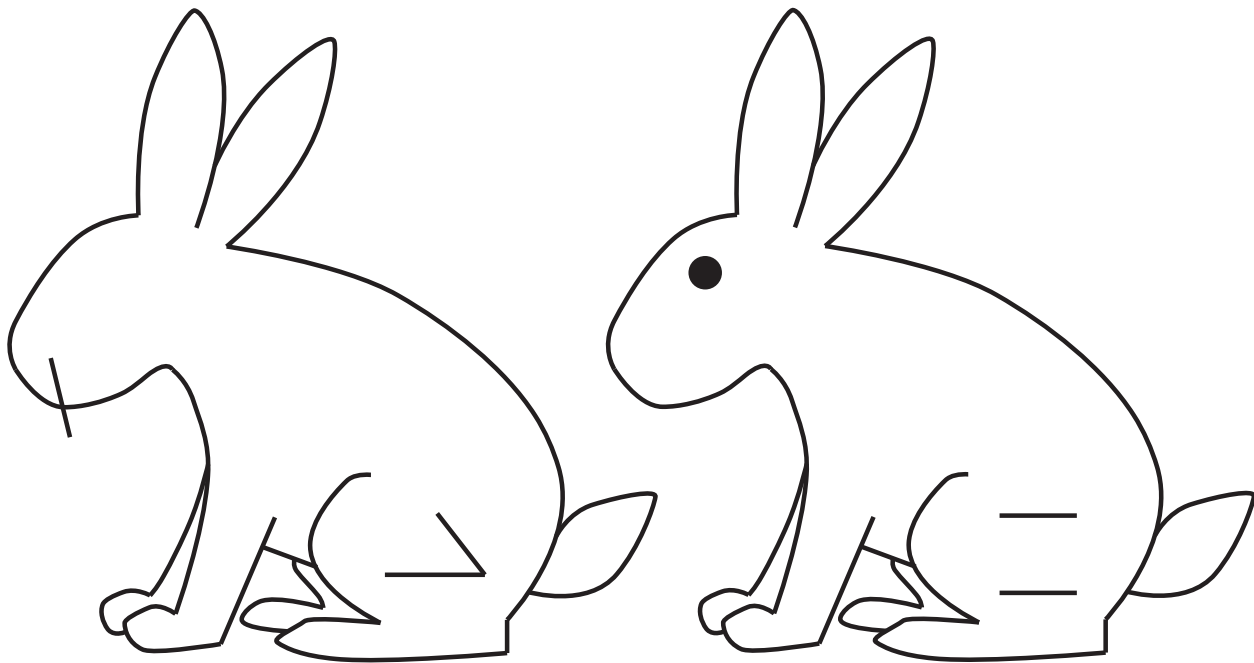
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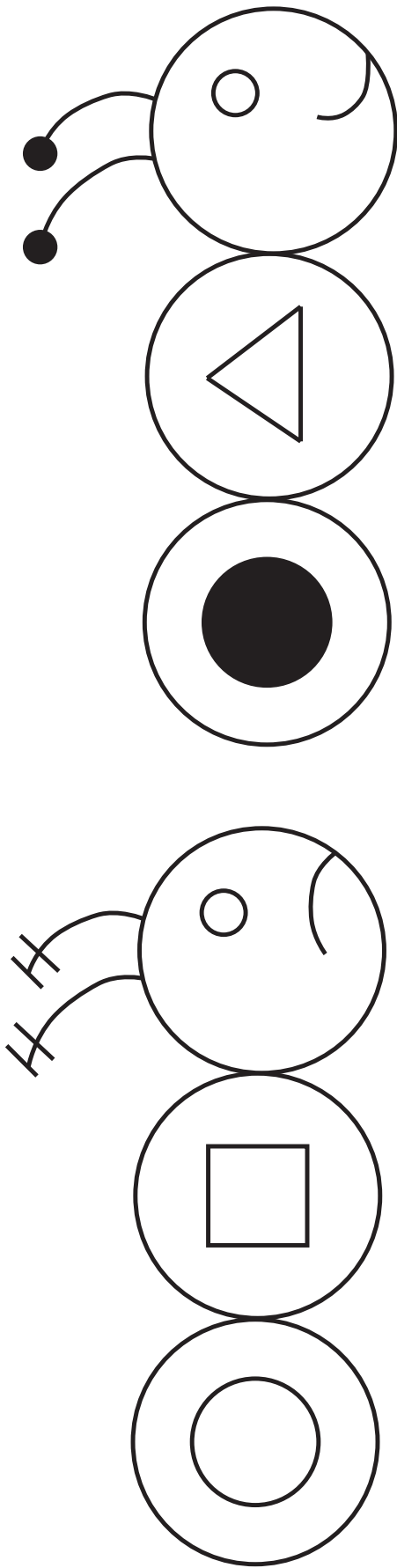
2. Circle the spaceship that has two large circles on it.
3. Color the spaceship that has three large circles on it.



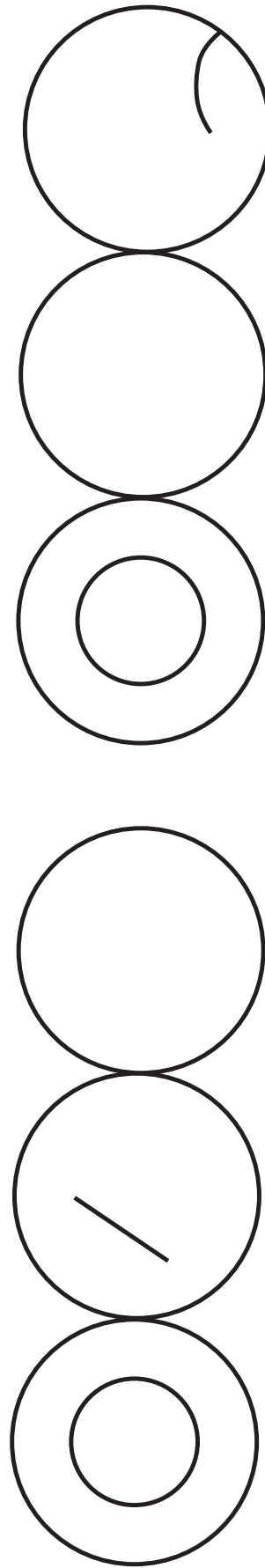
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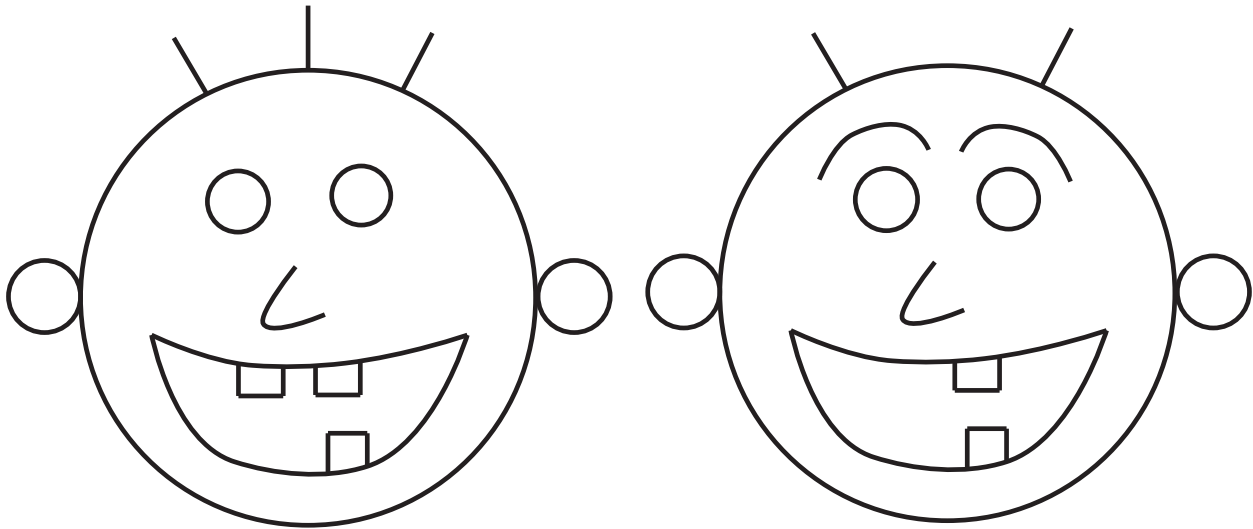
2. Circle the bunny that has a black tail.
3. Color the bunny that has a square on it.



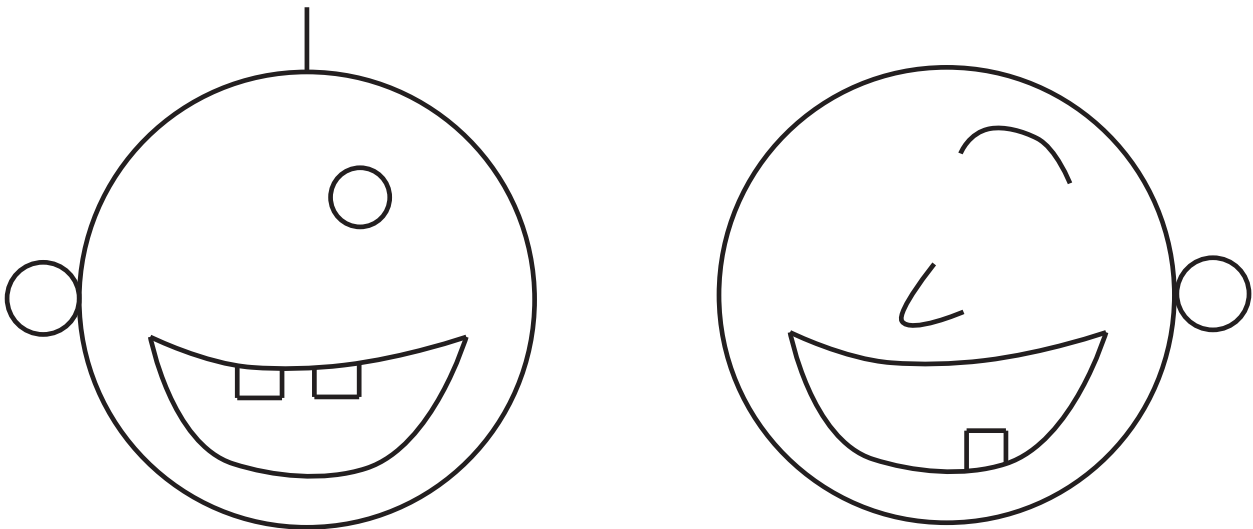
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2. Circle the bug that has a circle and a square on it.
3. Color the happy bug.

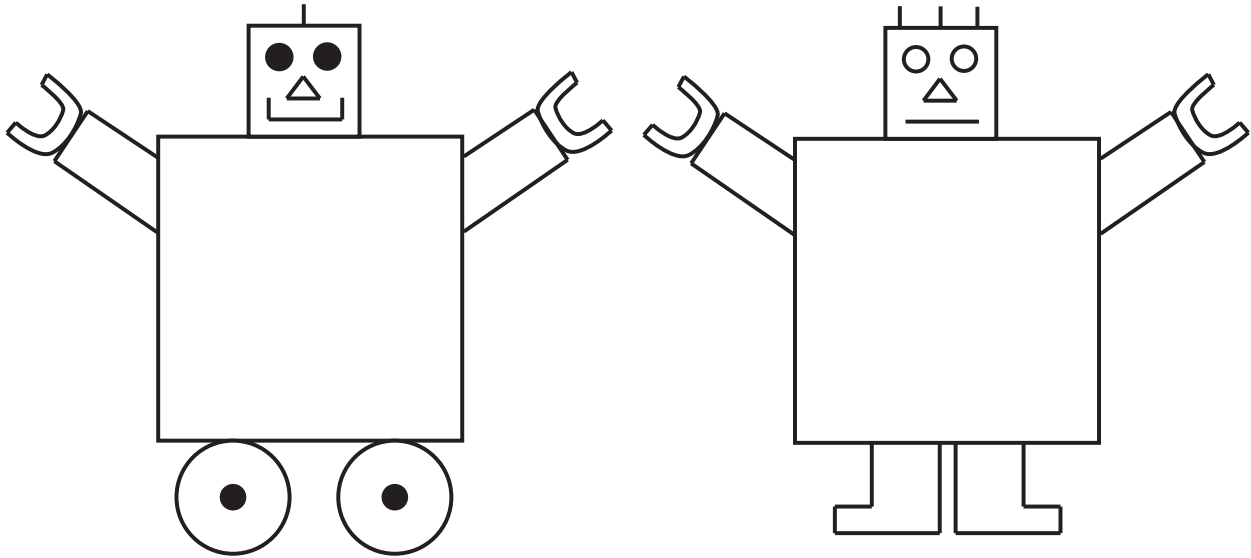


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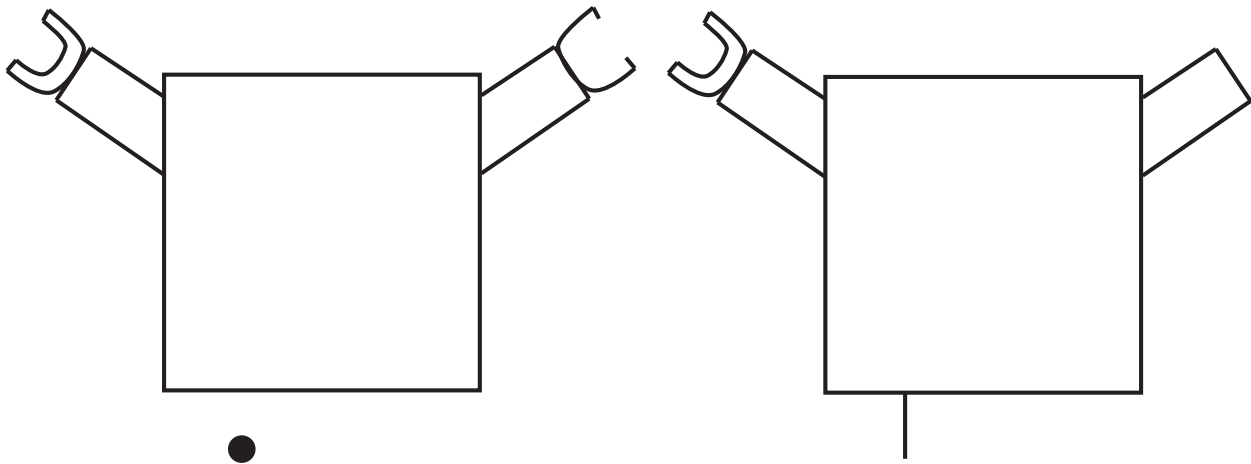


2. Circle the face that has three hairs.

3. Color the face that has two teeth.

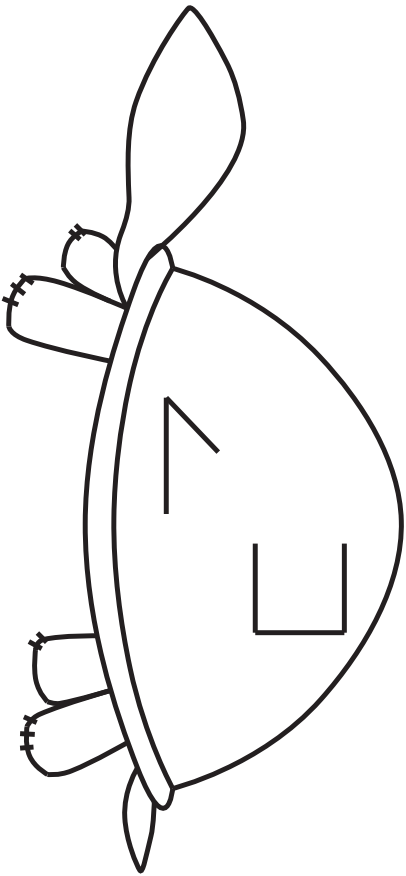
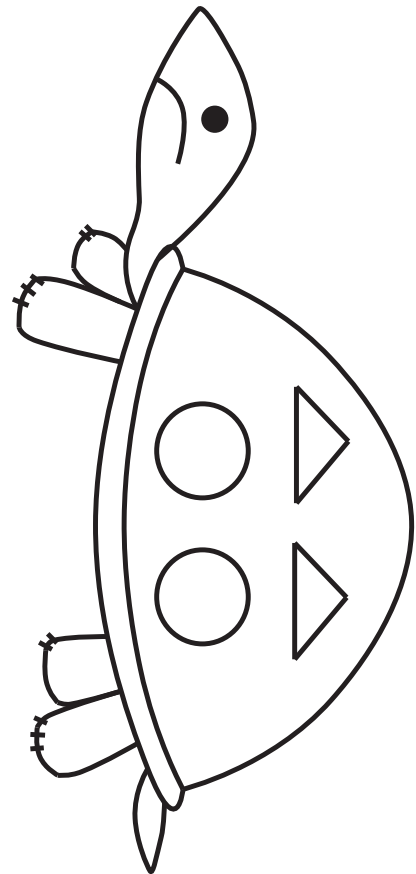
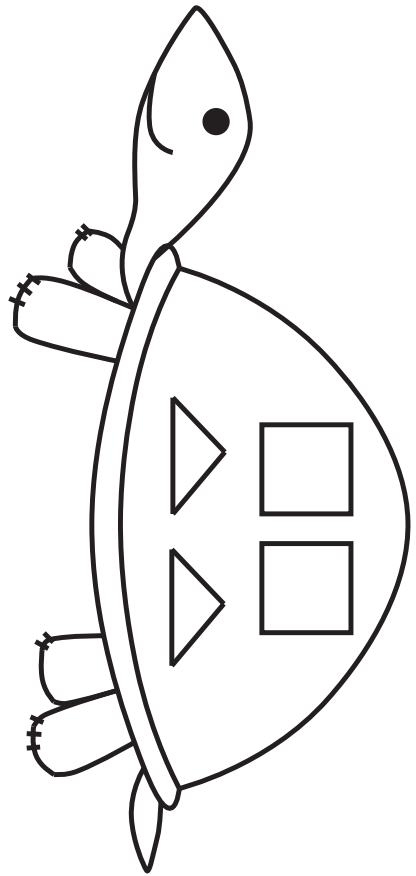


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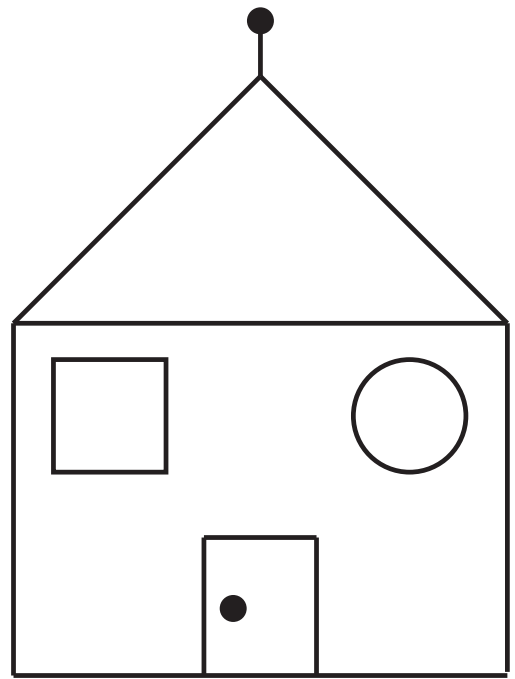
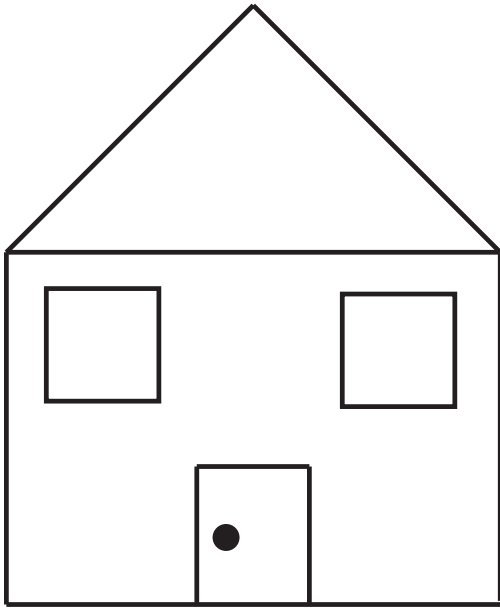


2. Circle the robot that has wheels.
3. Color the robot that has legs.

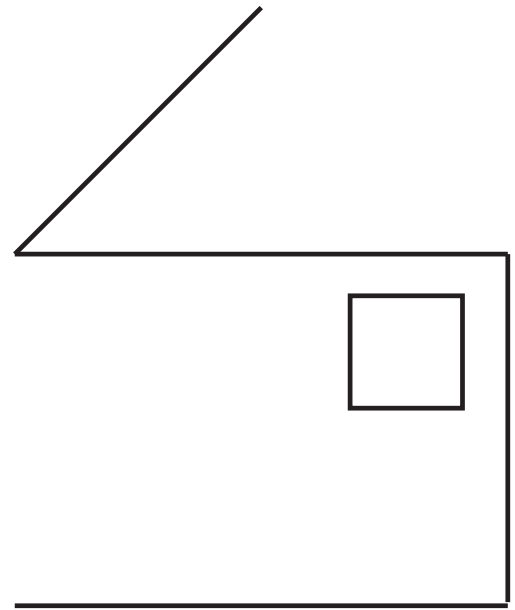
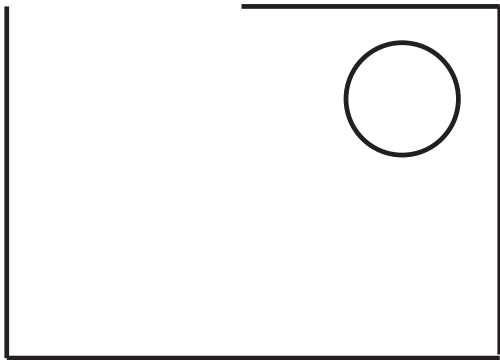
1. Look at each turtle above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



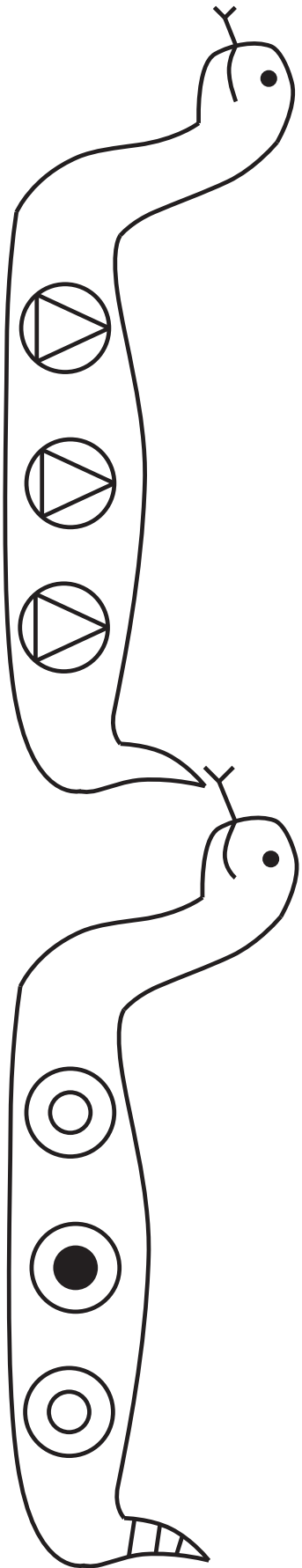
- 2. Circle the sad turtle.
- 3. Color the happy turtle.



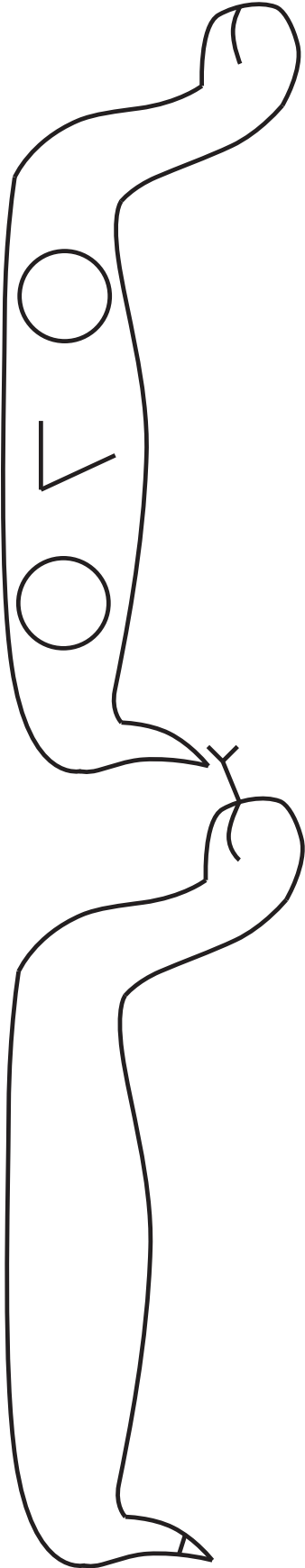
1. Look at each house above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



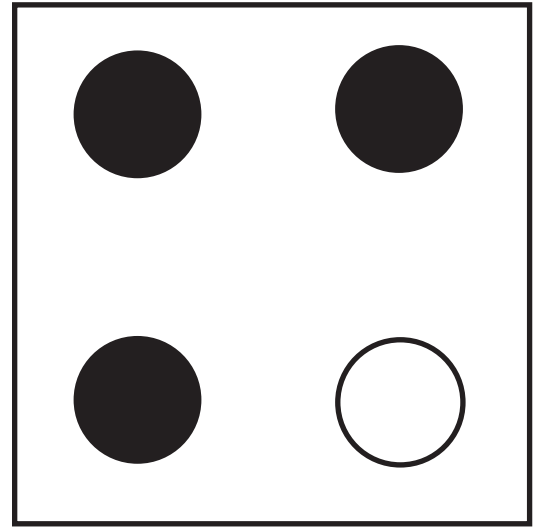
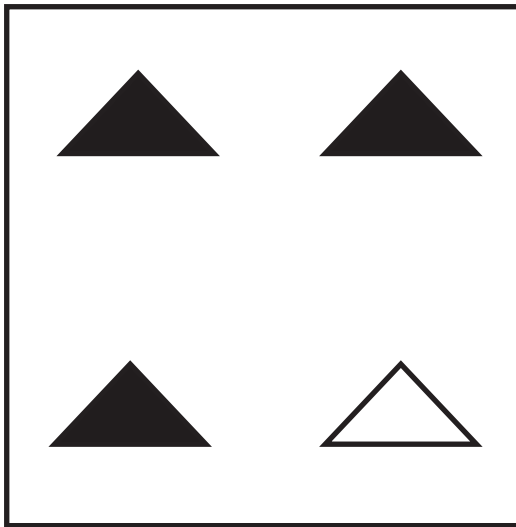
2. Circle the house that has two windows of the same shape.
3. Add a tree between the houses.
4. Color the house that has a circle window.



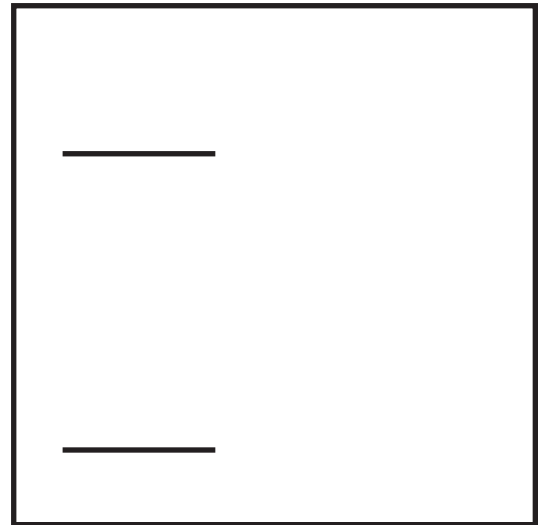
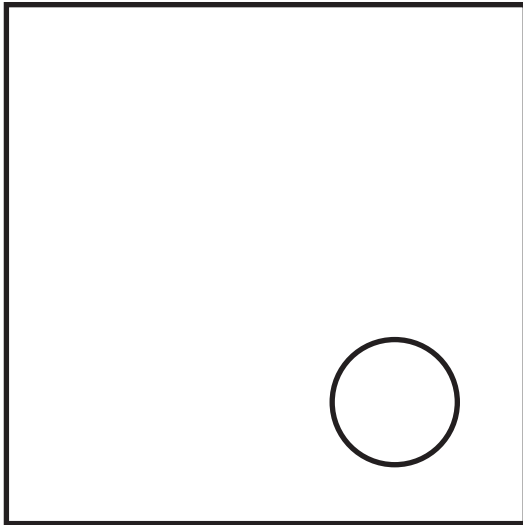
1. Look at each snake above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



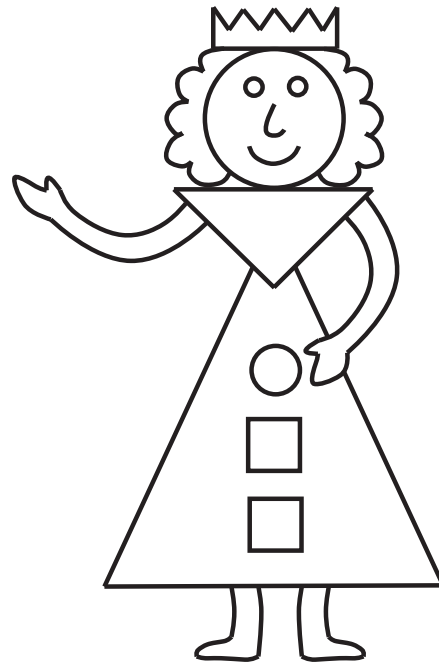
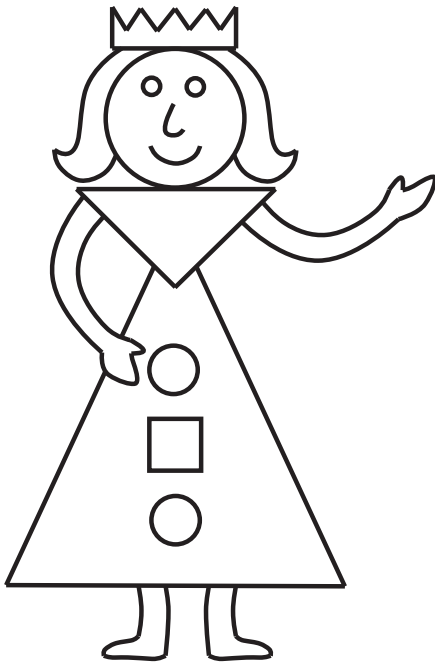
2. Circle the snake that has stripes on its tail.
3. Color the snake that has three triangles.



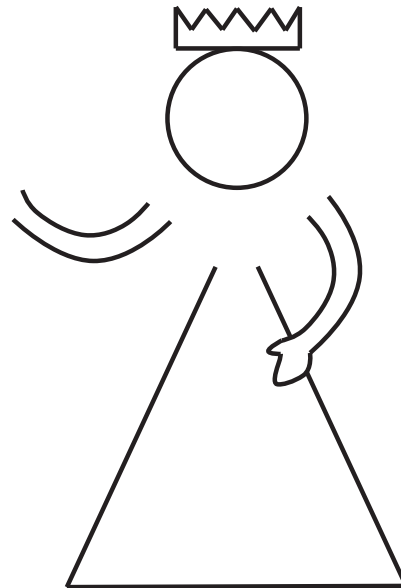
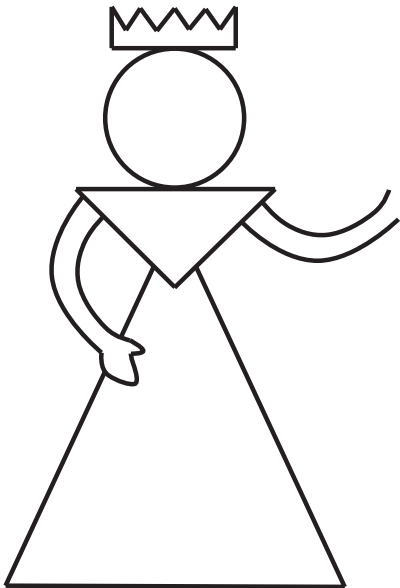
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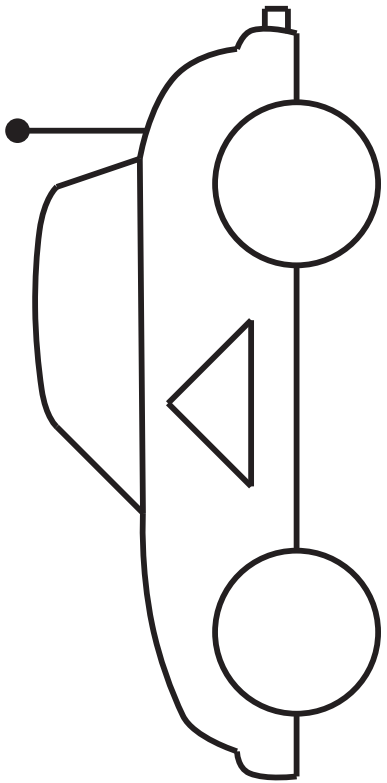
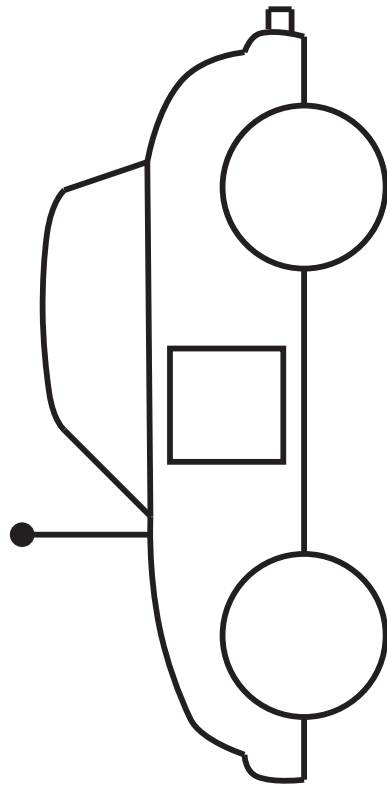
2. Circle the square that has four circles.
3. Color the square that has four triangles.



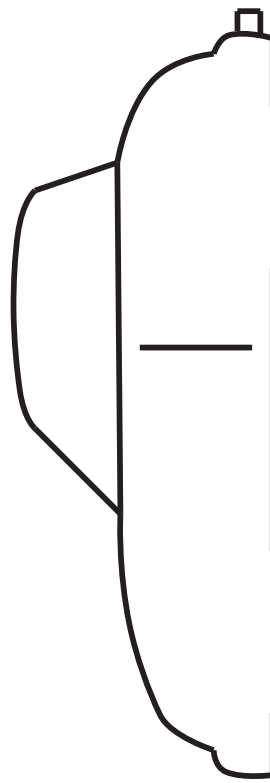
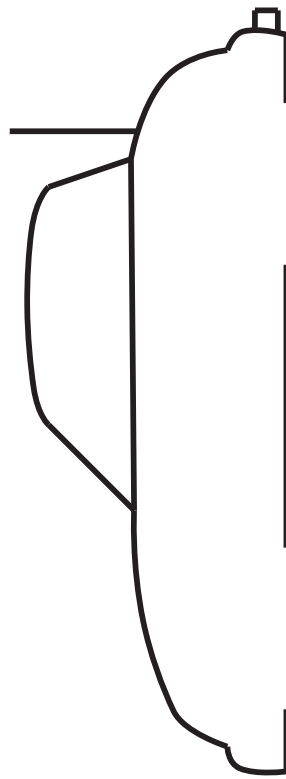
1. Look at each princess above, then find her unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



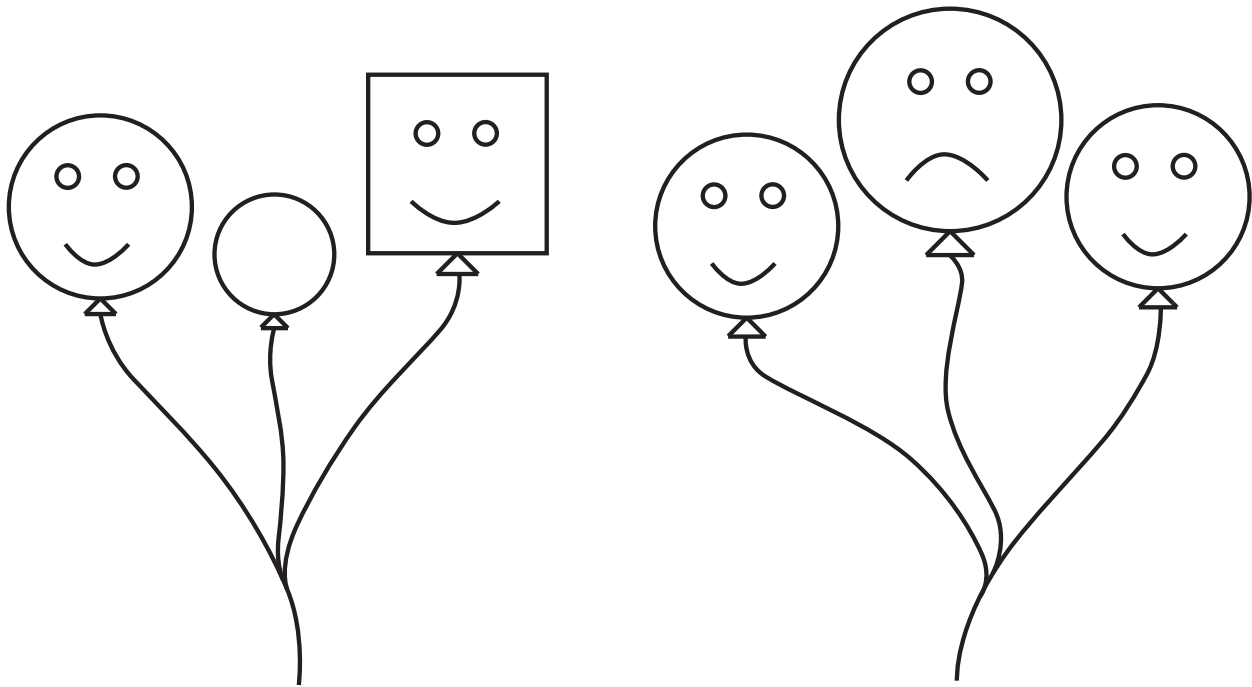
2. Circle the princess who has two squares on her dress.
3. Draw something in each princesses' hand.
4. Color the princess who has two circles on her dress.



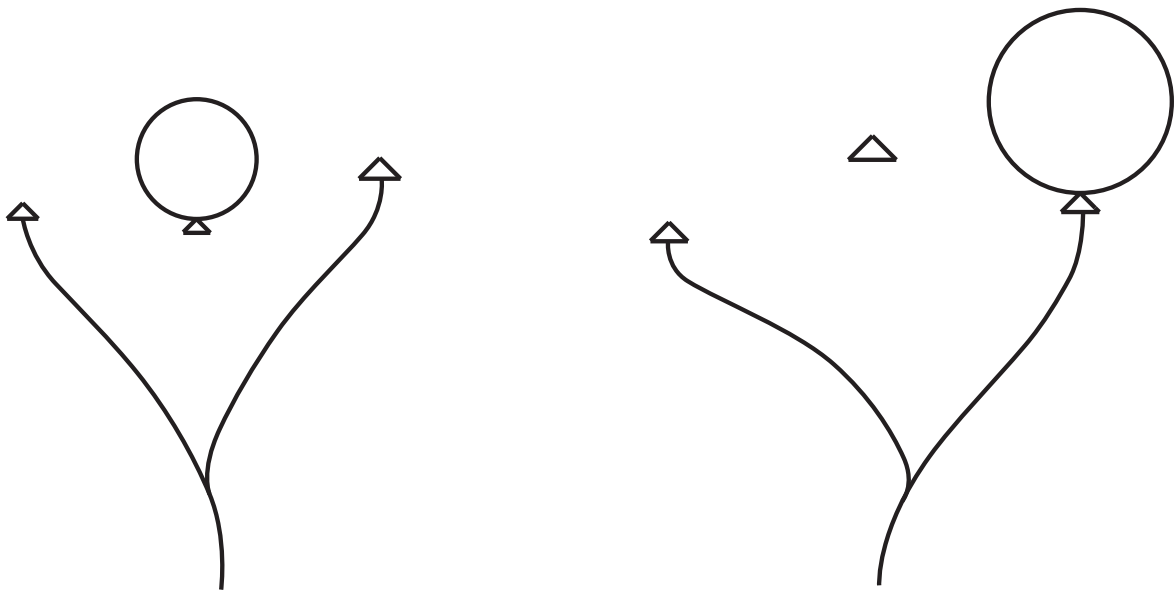
1. Look at each car above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



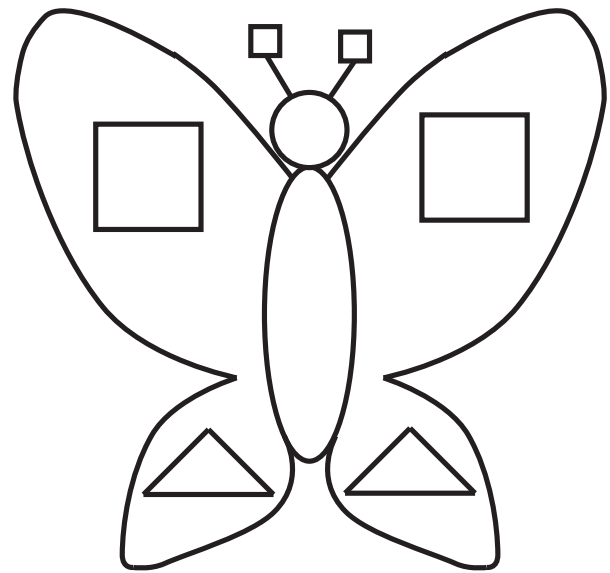
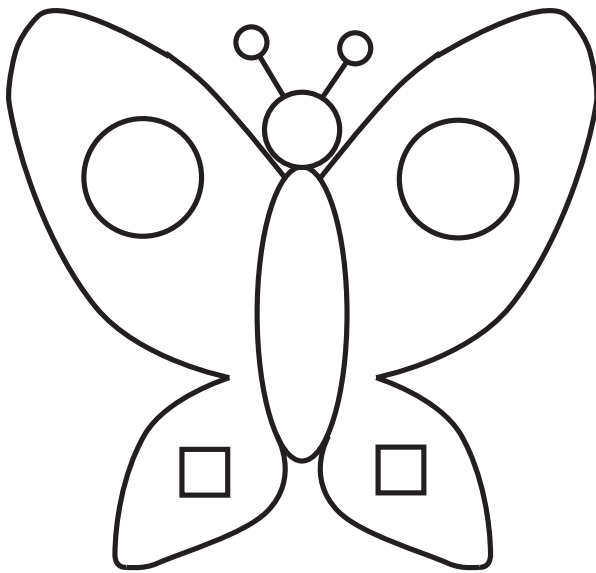
2. Circle the car that has an antenna in the front.
3. Color the car that has a triangle.



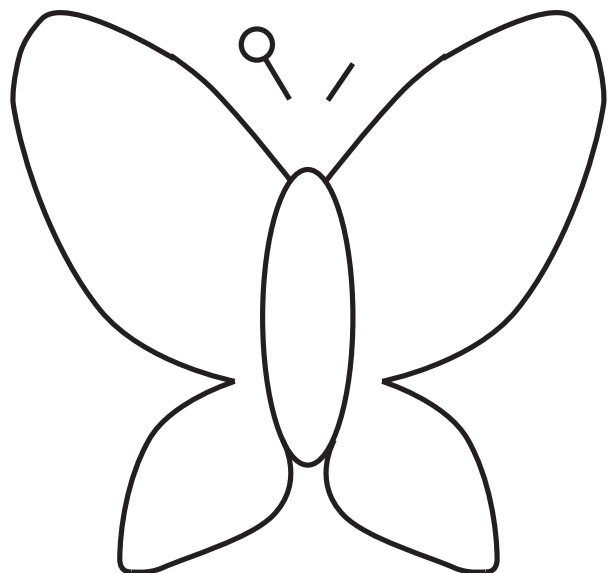
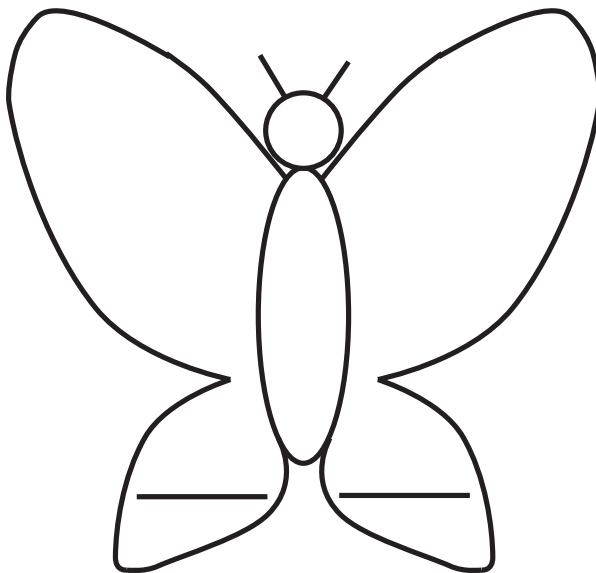
1. Look at each group of balloons above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



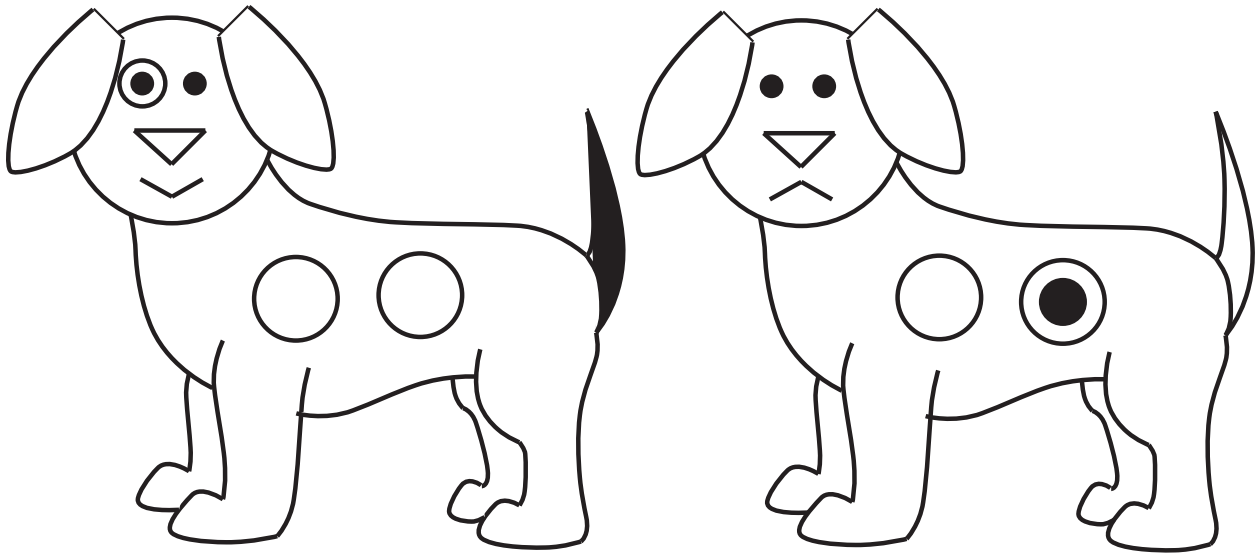
2. Circle the balloon that has a sad face.
3. Draw a face on the smallest balloon.
4. Color the square balloon.



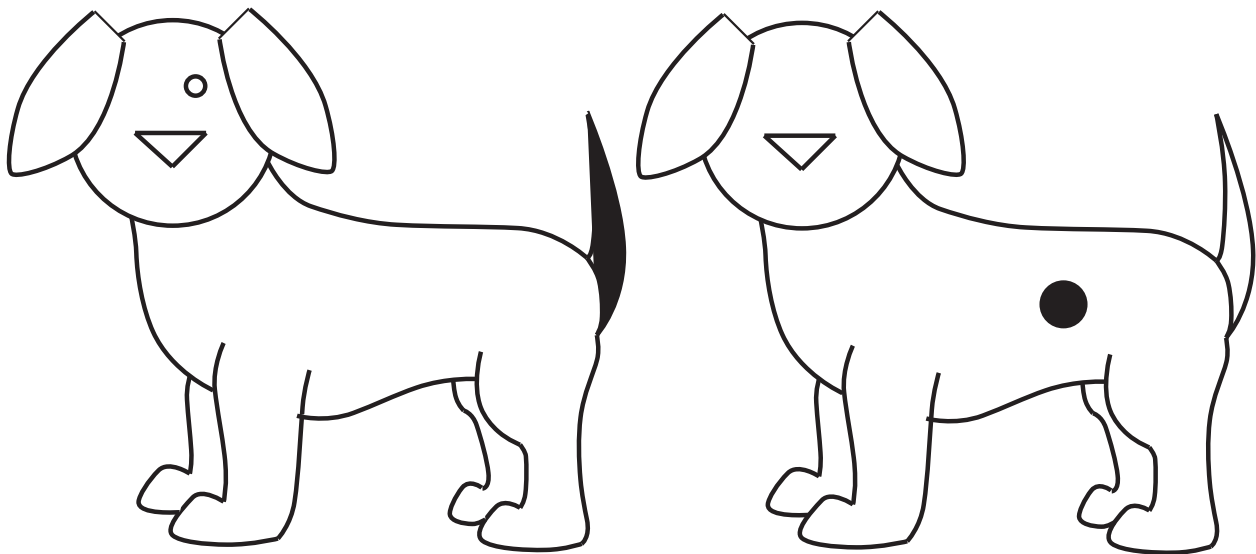
1. Look at each butterfly above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



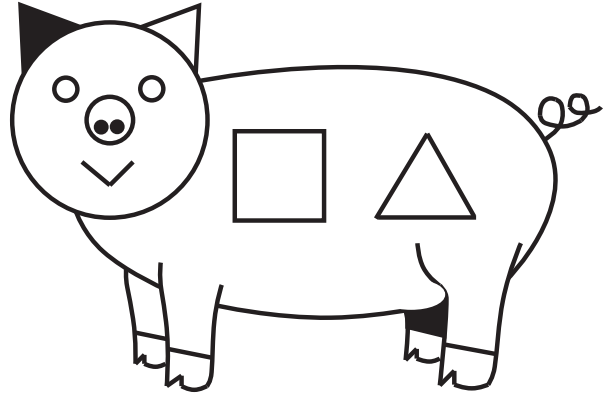
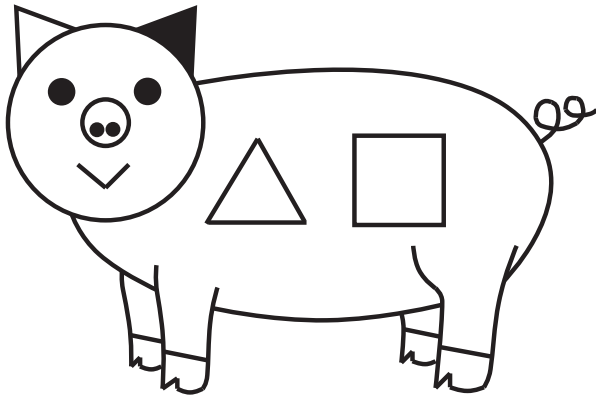
2. Circle the butterfly that has more than one circle.
3. Color the butterfly that has four squares.



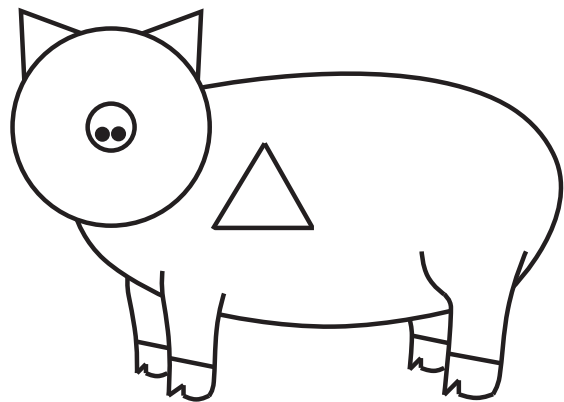
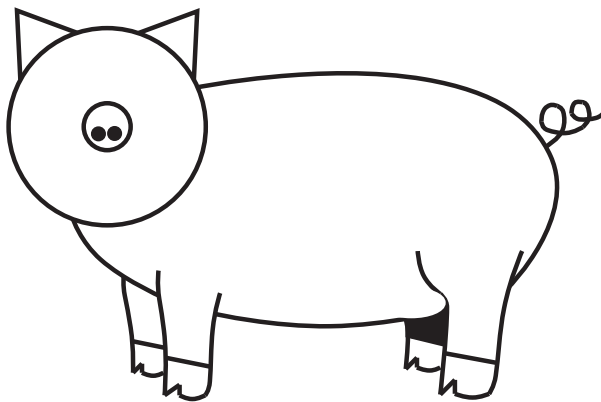
1. Look at each dog above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



- 2. Circle the happy dog.
- 3. Color the sad dog.

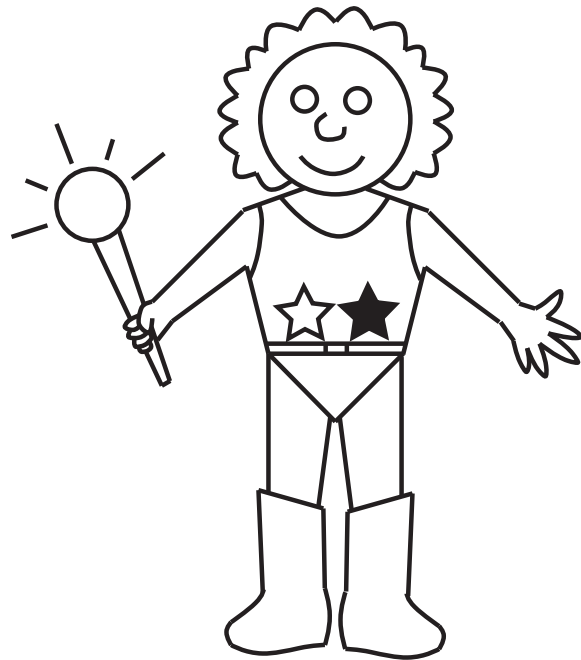
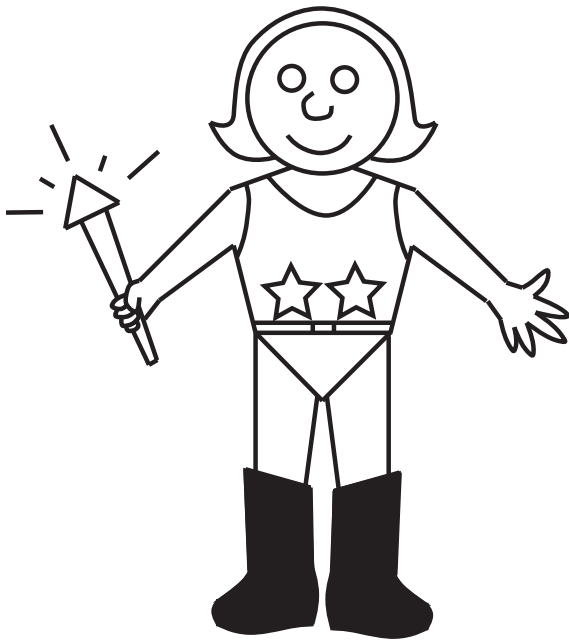


1. Look at each pig above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.

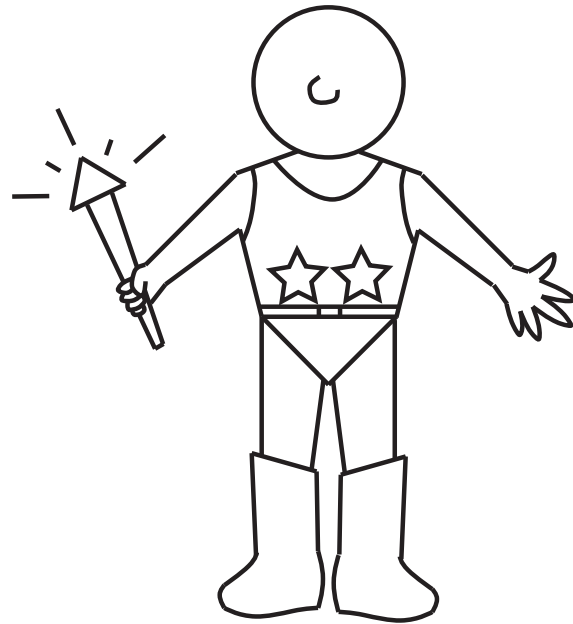
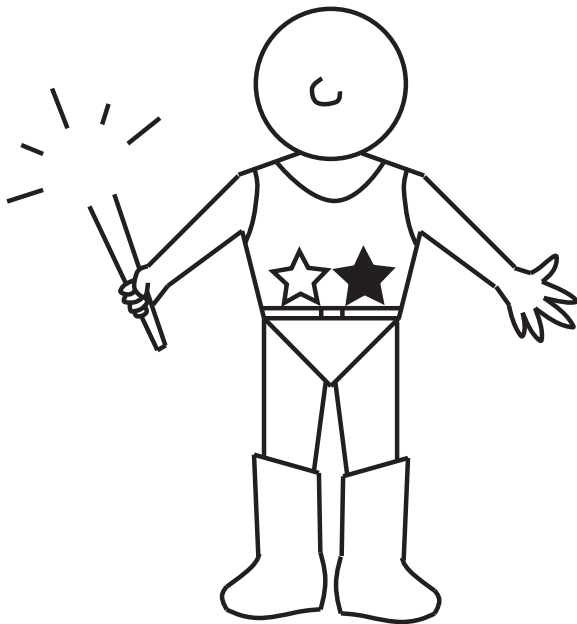


2. Circle the pig that has one black leg.

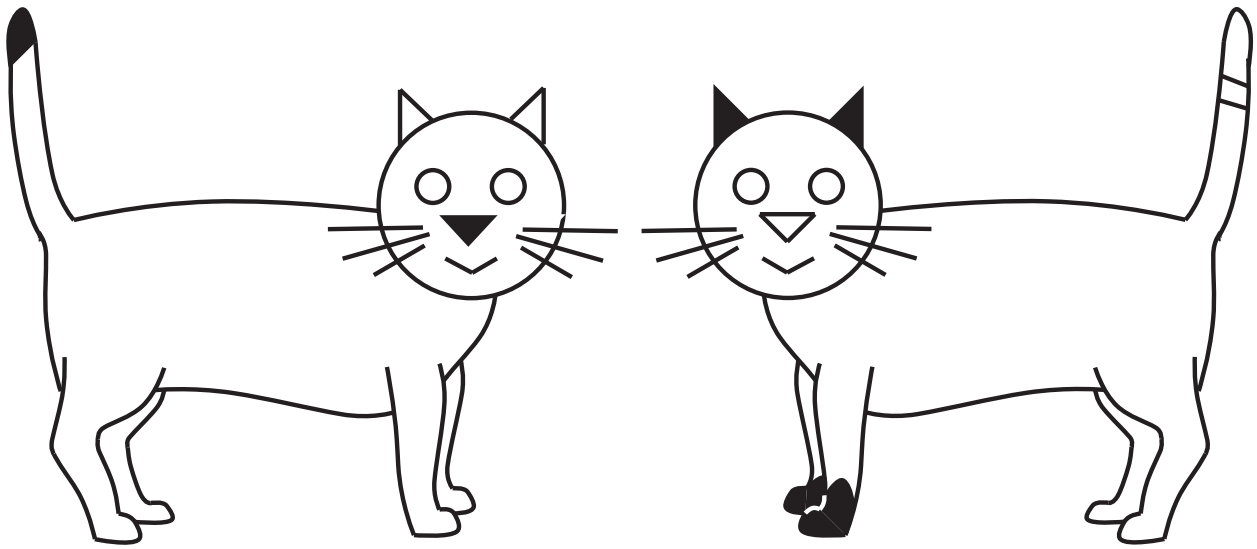
3. Color the other pig.



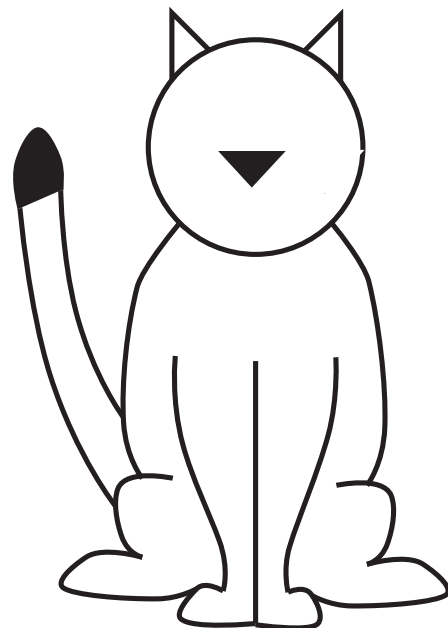
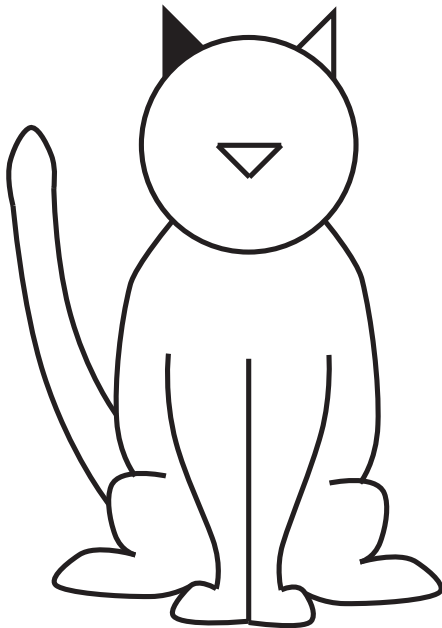
1. Look at each superhero above, then find her unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



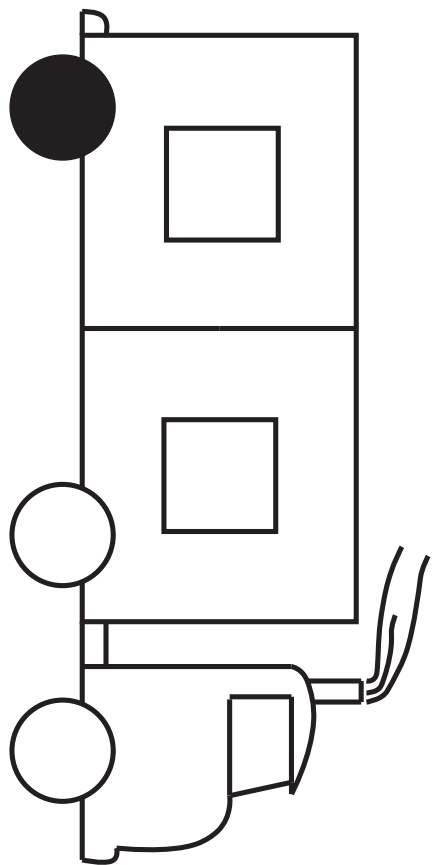
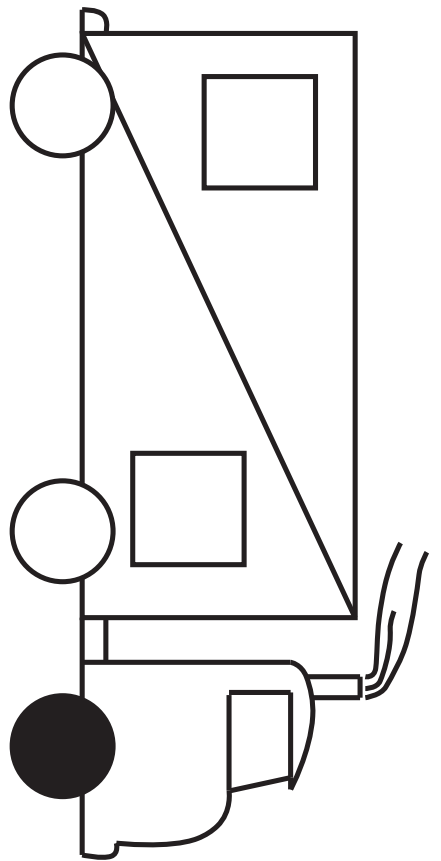
2. Circle the superhero who has one black star.
3. Add something to each superhero.
4. Color the superhero who has the pointed wand.



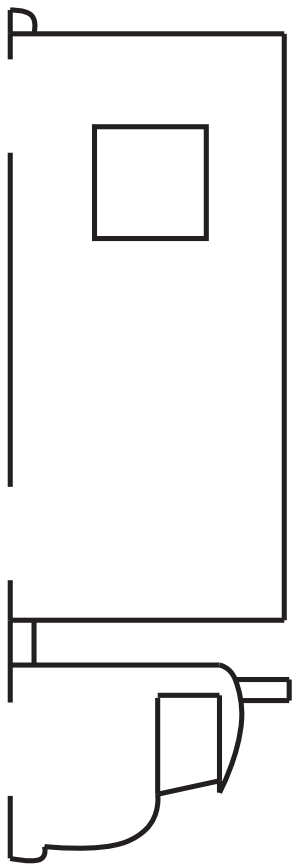
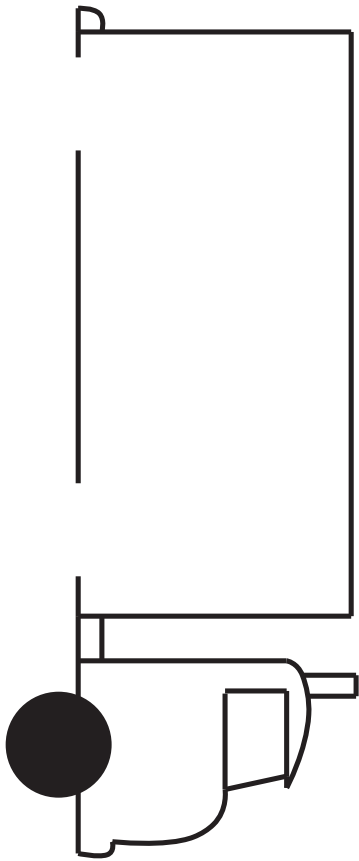
1. Look at each cat above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



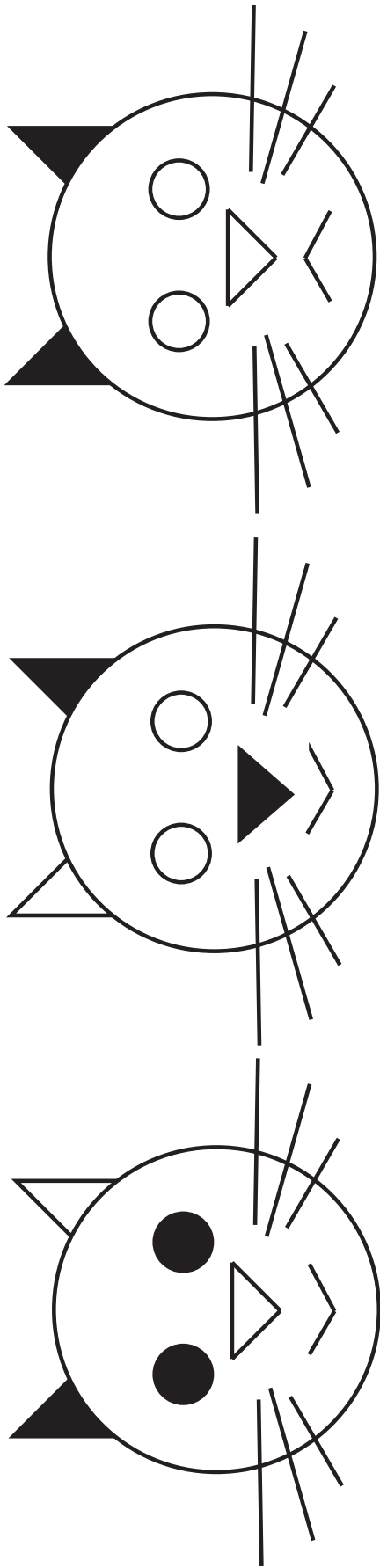
2. Circle the cat that has two black feet.
3. Draw a square around the cat with two black feet.
4. Color the cat with the black nose.



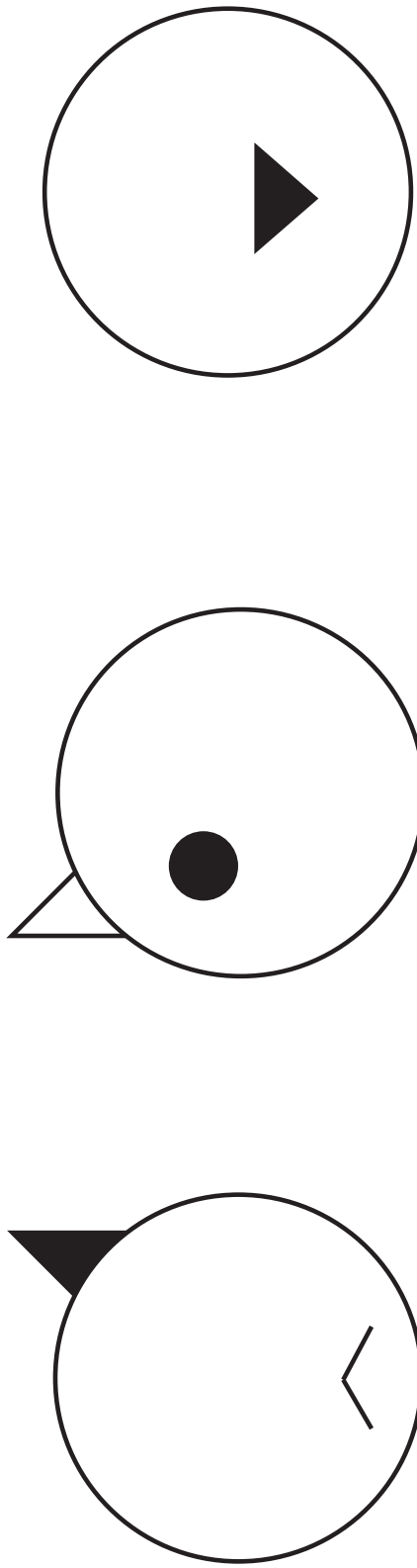
1. Look at each truck above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



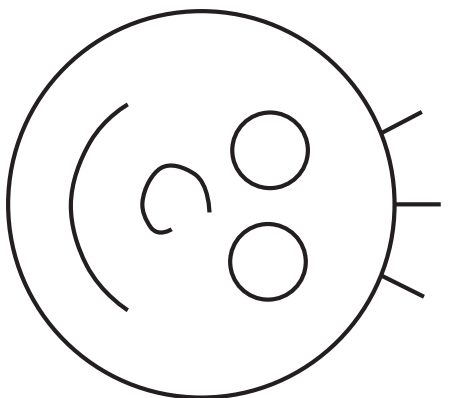
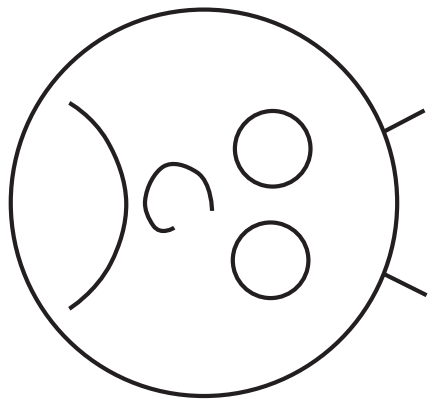
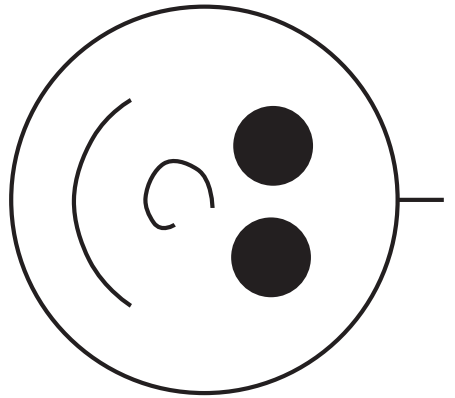
- 2. Circle the truck that has a black wheel in the front of the truck.
- 3. Color the truck that has two large and two small squares.



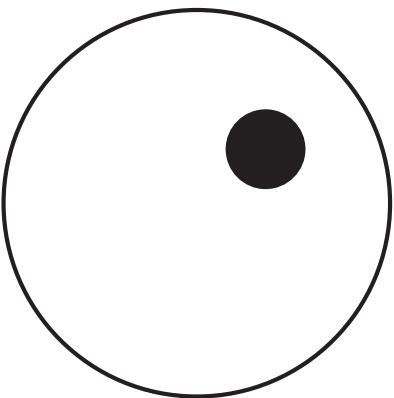
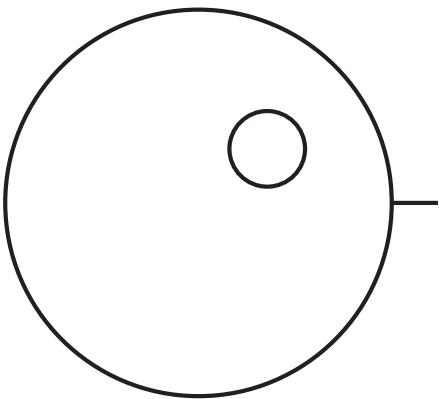
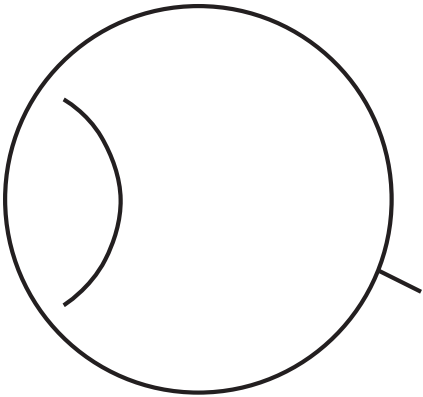
1. Look at each cat above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the cat that has a black ear and a black nose.
3. Color the cat that has a white nose and one black ear.



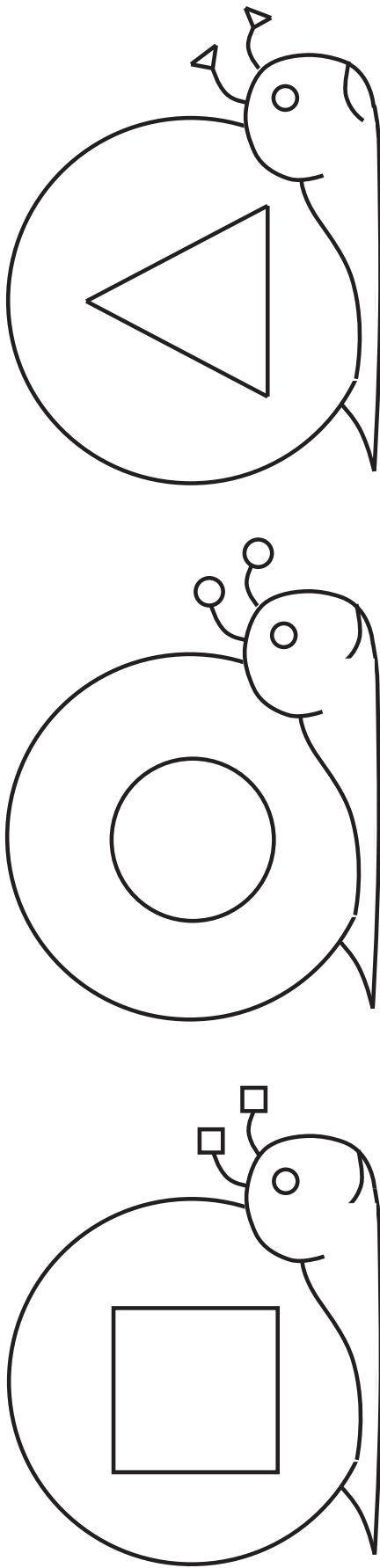
1. Look at each face above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the face that has three hairs.

3. Draw ears on the sad face.

4. Color the face that has one hair.

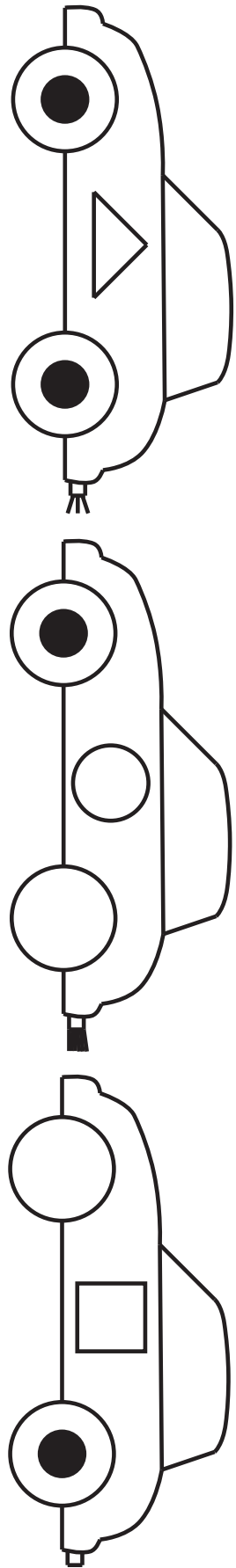


1. Look at each snail above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.

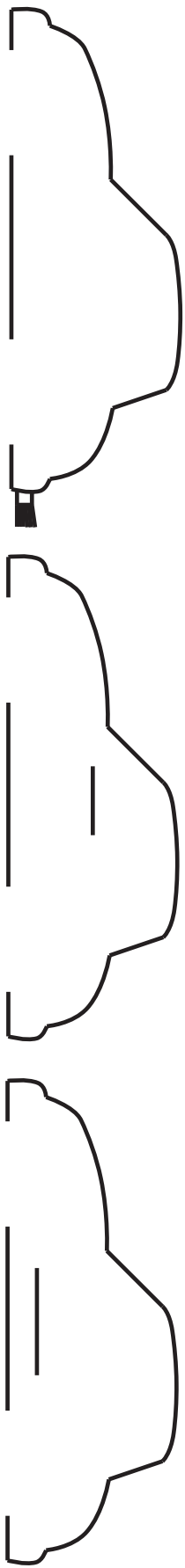


2. Circle the snail that has three squares.

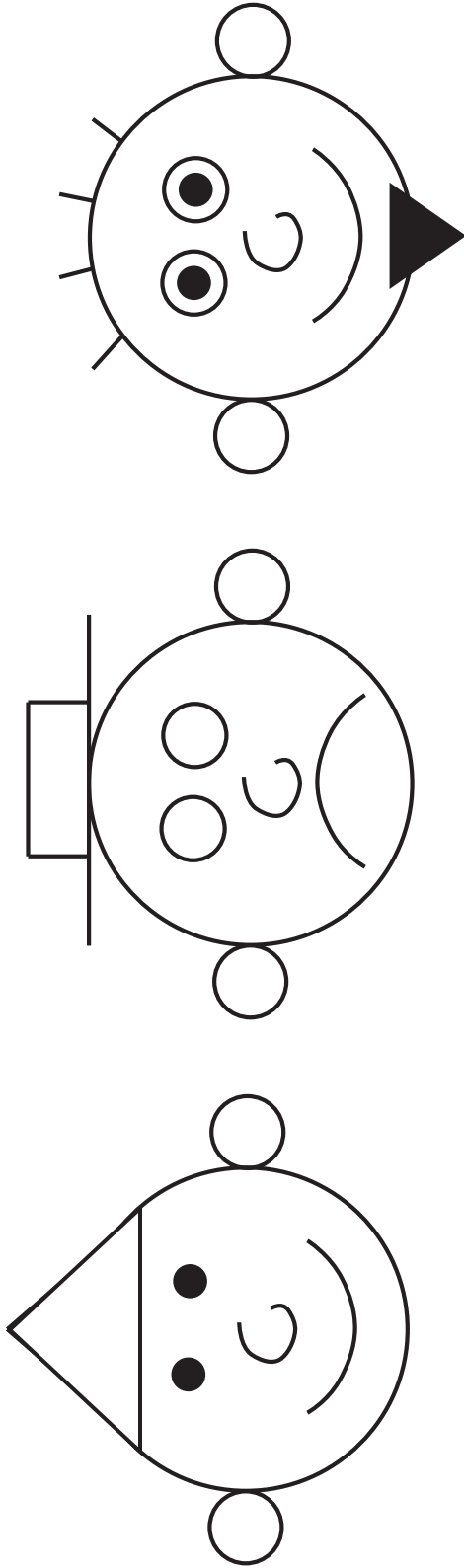
3. Color the sad snail.



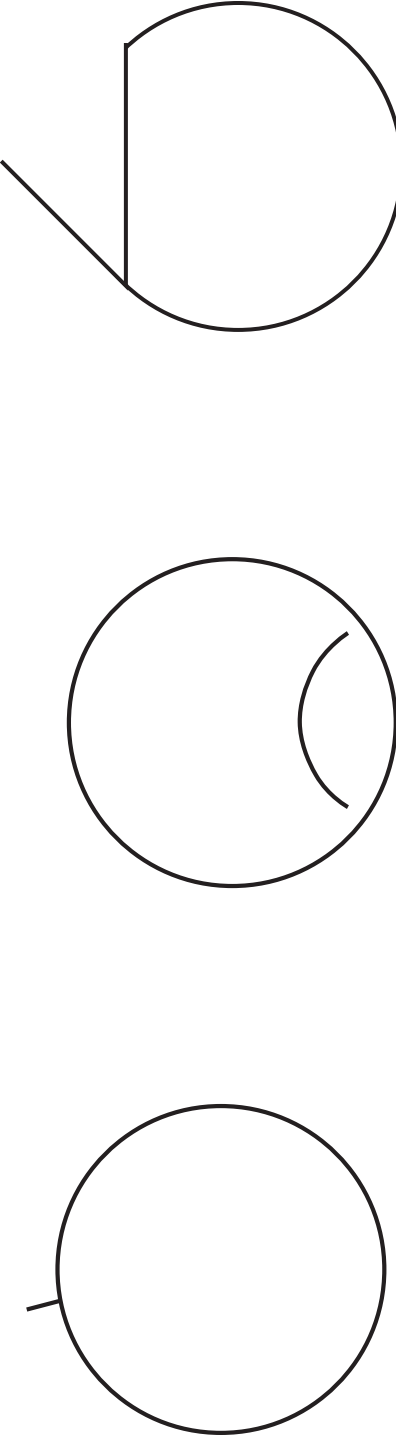
1. Look at each car above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



- 2. Circle the car that has a triangle on it.
- 3. Color the car that has a square.

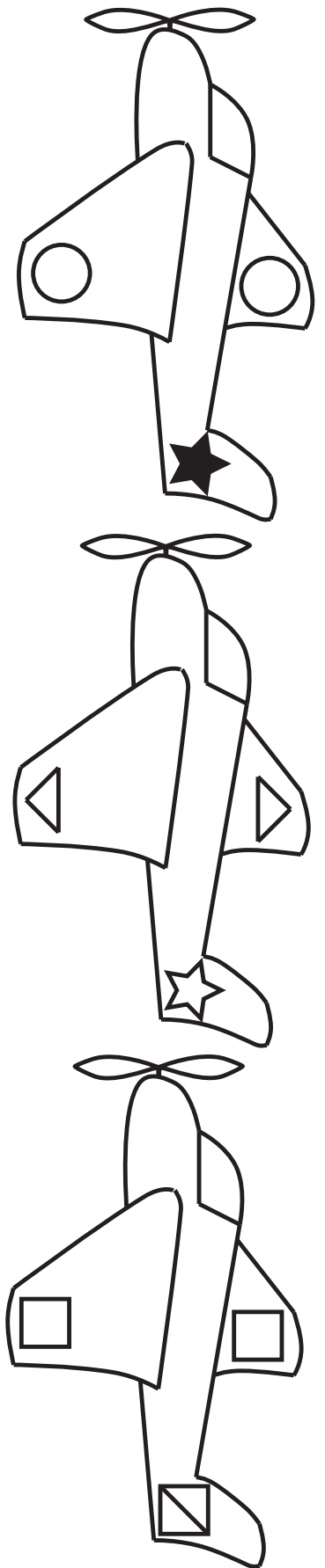


1. Look at each head above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.

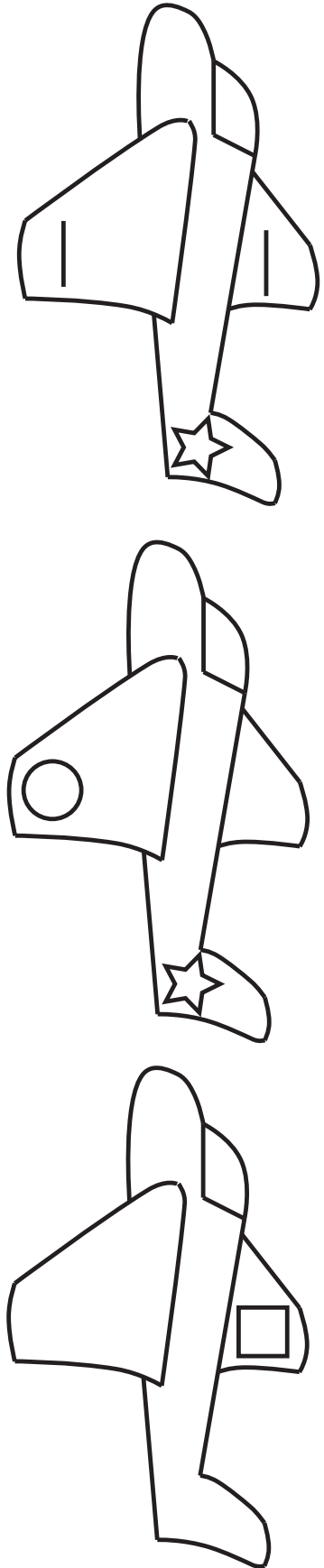


2. Circle the head that has a triangle hat.

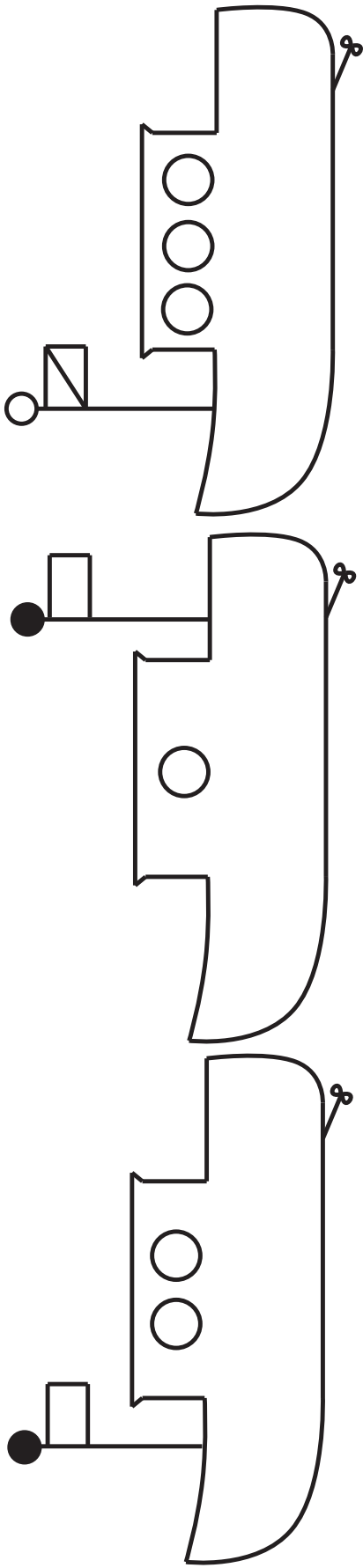
3. Color the sad head.



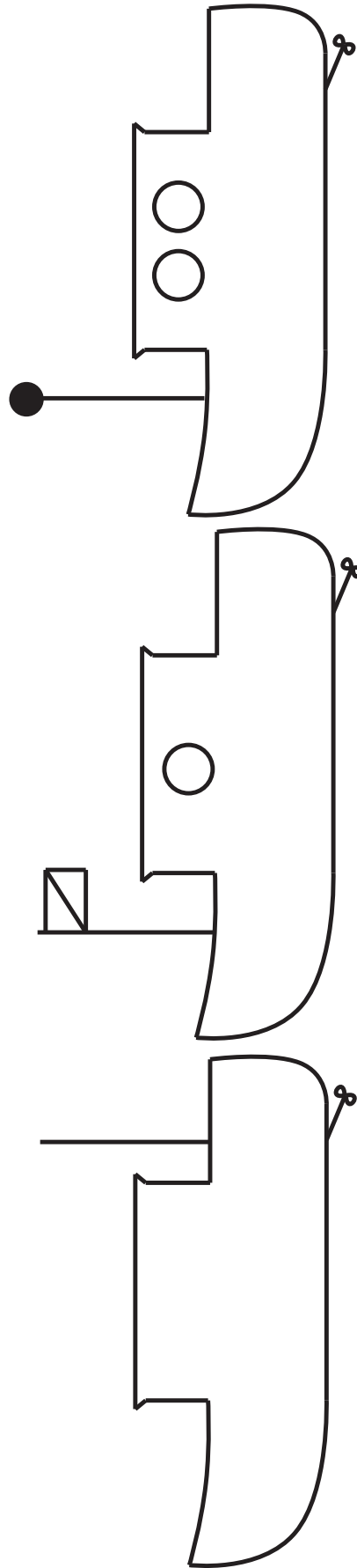
1. Look at each airplane above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



- 2. Circle the airplane that has a black star on its tail.
- 3. Color the airplane that has triangles on its wings.

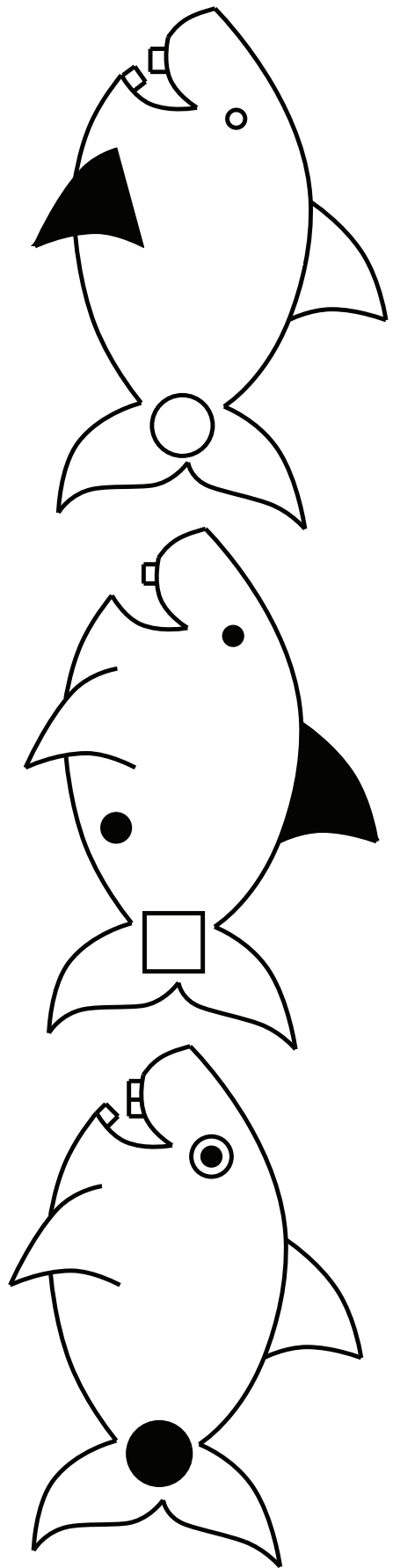


1. Look at each boat above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.

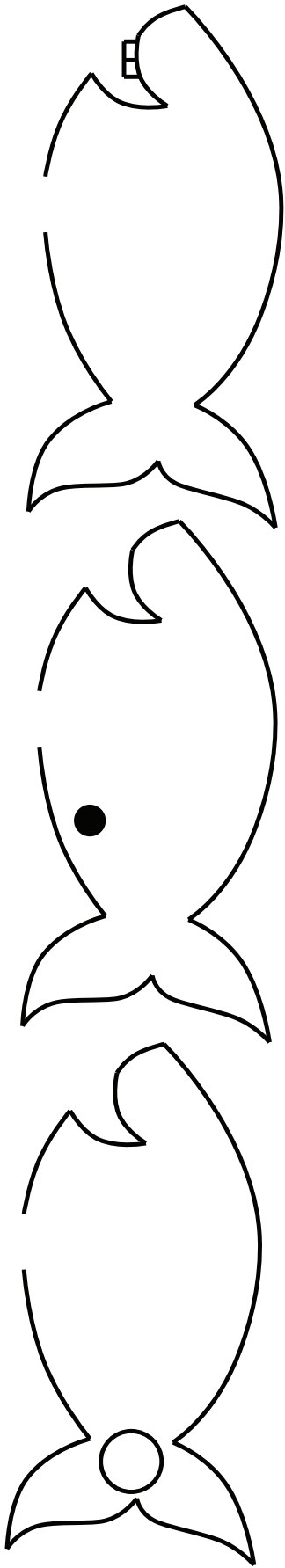


2. Circle the boat that has three windows.

3. Color the boat that has two windows.

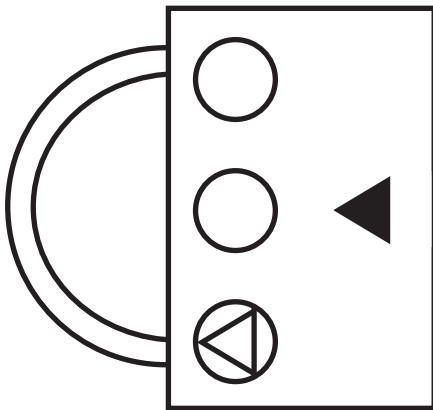
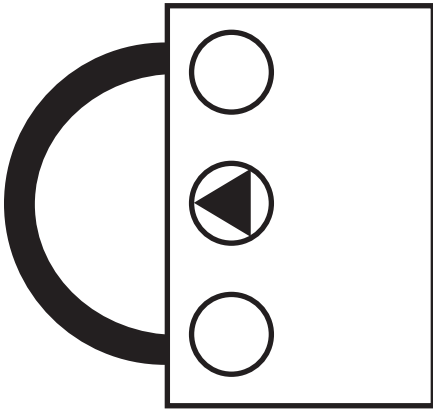
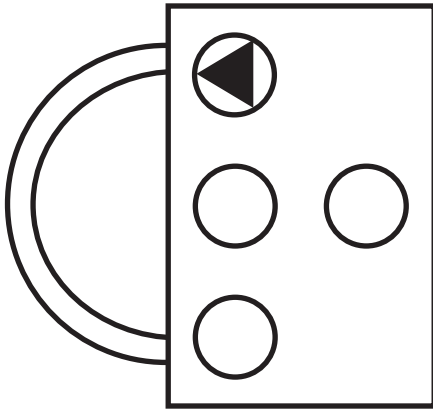


1. Look at each fish above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.

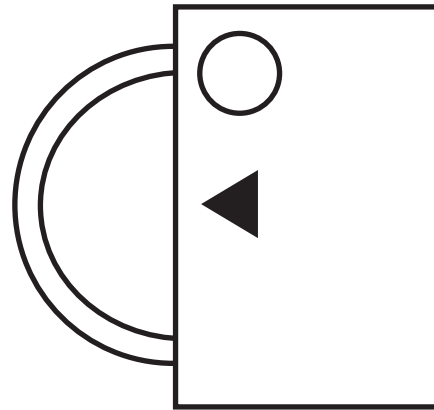
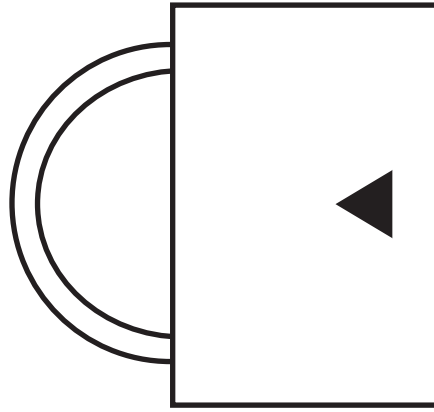
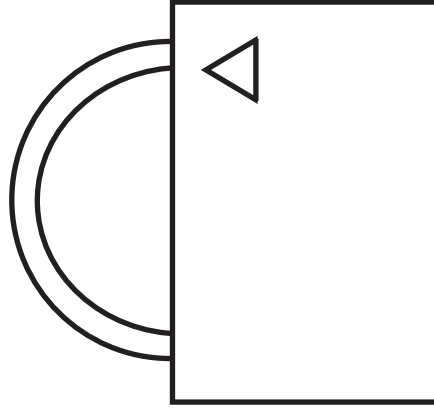


2. Circle the fish that has three teeth.

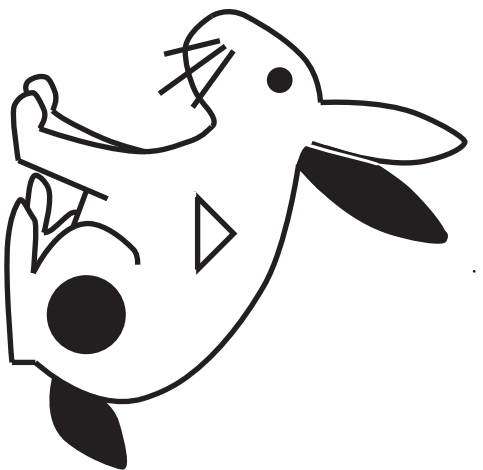
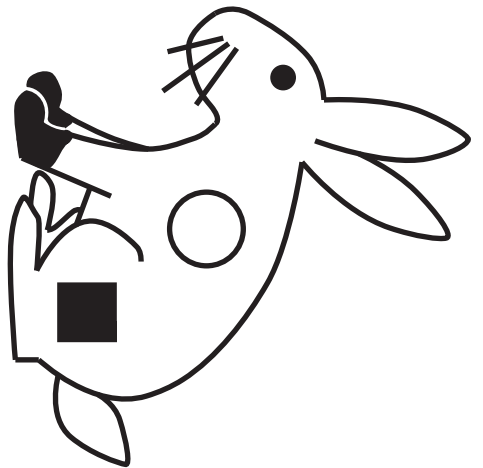
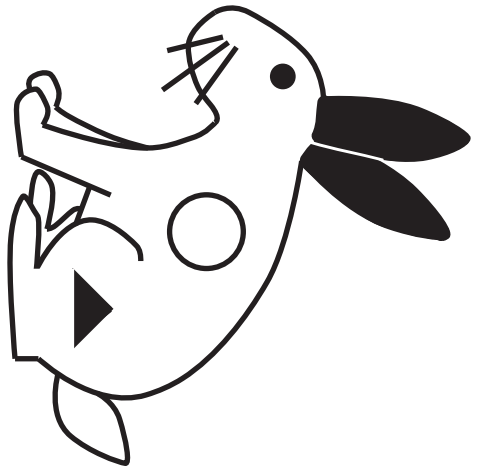
3. Color the fish that has one black fin and a circle on its tail.



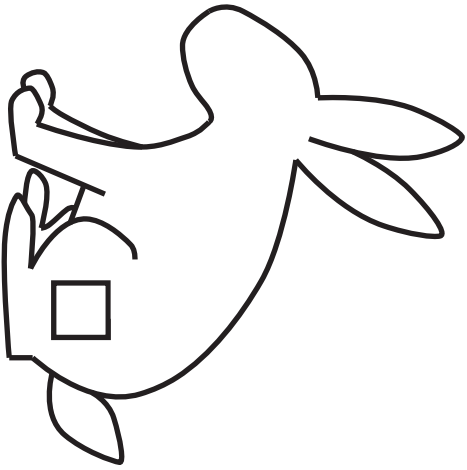
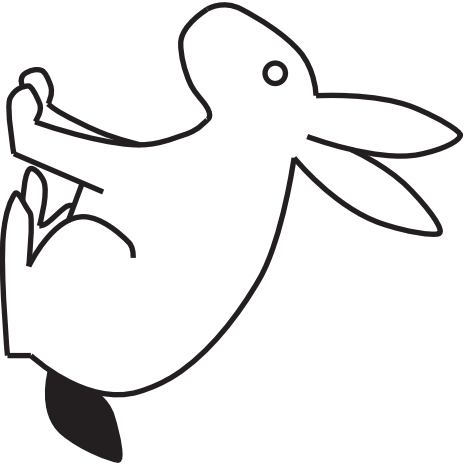
1. Look at each purse above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the purse with four circles.
3. Color the purse with two triangles.



1. Look at each bunny above, then find its unfinished picture below. Use a pencil to draw in all the missing parts.



2. Circle the bunny with the two black ears.

3. Draw something for the black-tailed bunny to eat.

4. Color the bunny with a circle and a square.