

Things to Colour from Mother Earth

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FOREWORD

by Matthew Rowe and Samuel Hill

Canada's Indigenous languages are facing an uncertain future. Inspired by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action and by The Prince of Wales's own promotion of traditional wisdom, Prince's Trust Canada has made Indigenous language revitalization one of our major programs. With a focus on supporting language efforts through the production of content, our work to date has produced 77 titles in 15 Indigenous languages, with over 18,000 books printed.

This language learning colouring book is the first of a new series of resources developed with a commitment to the entire content development and publishing process being led by Indigenous communities and talent such as authors, artists, translators, project managers, and advisors. Our commitment to supporting the preservation, promotion, and revitalization of Indigenous languages resonates in this colouring book as it is Prince's Trust Canada's first language learning resource tool to utilize Indigenous talent every step of the way. To learn more about our commitment to language revitalization and how you can support these efforts, please visit www.princestrust.ca.

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Nature is inspiring to our people.

Mso wendaagwad shki-bimaadiziwin.





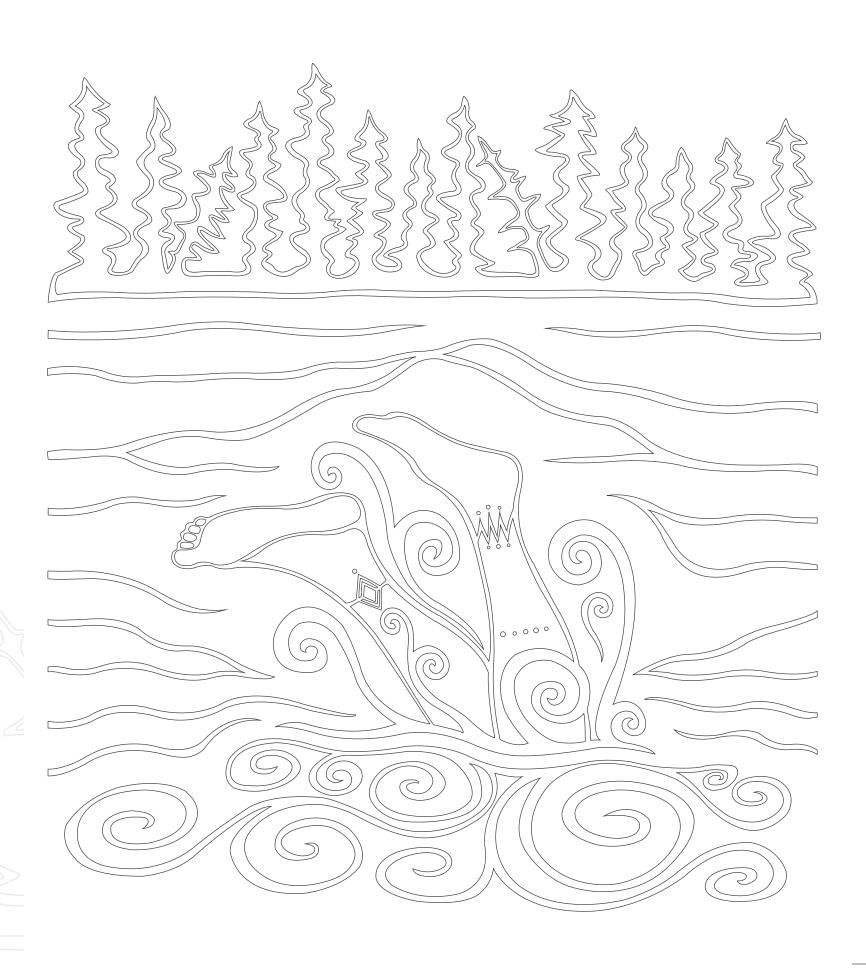
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Turtle Island has many lakes to swim in.

Baatiindoon zaagiginan wii bagisiwad maampii mshiikenh mnisiing.



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Feathers are fun to colour.

Minendaagwad tiswang miigwanag.



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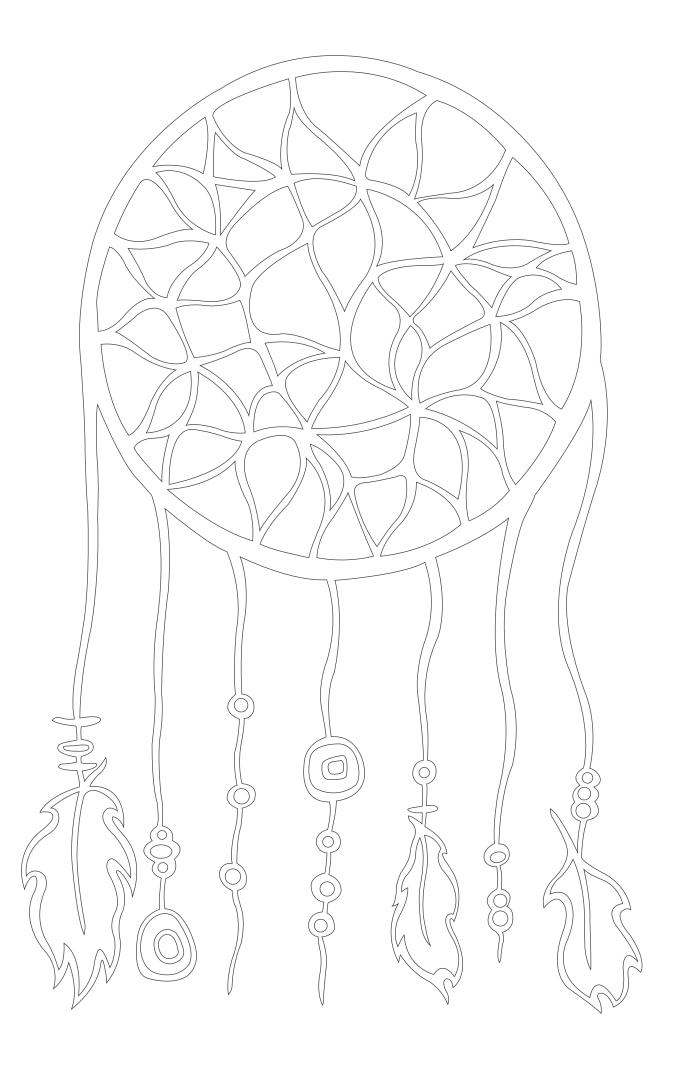
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Dream catchers give us nice dreams.

Bawaajige nikwebjigan gi'miingonan mino bawaajigewinan.

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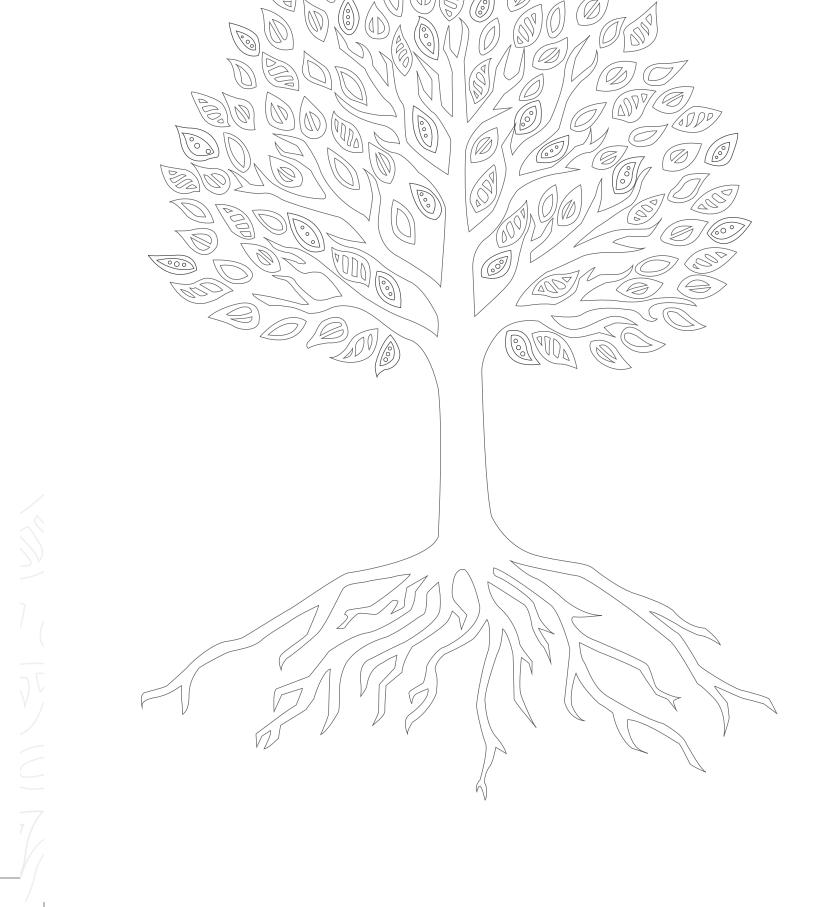


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Trees help us in many, many ways.

Baatiinad ezhe wiidookaakying mitigoog.





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Camp fires keep us warm under northern lights.

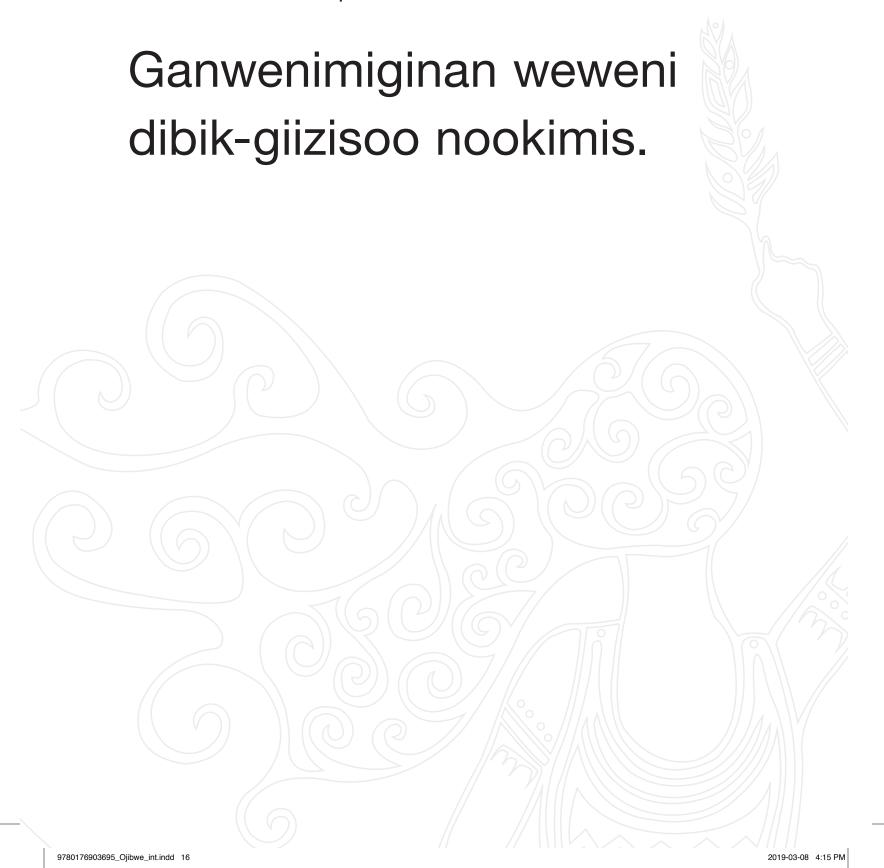
Gbeshi shkodeng giizhoosimin naami waasnoodeng.

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Grandmother moon protects us.





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Hummingbirds fly fast.

Gizhiibizowag nenookaasiyag.



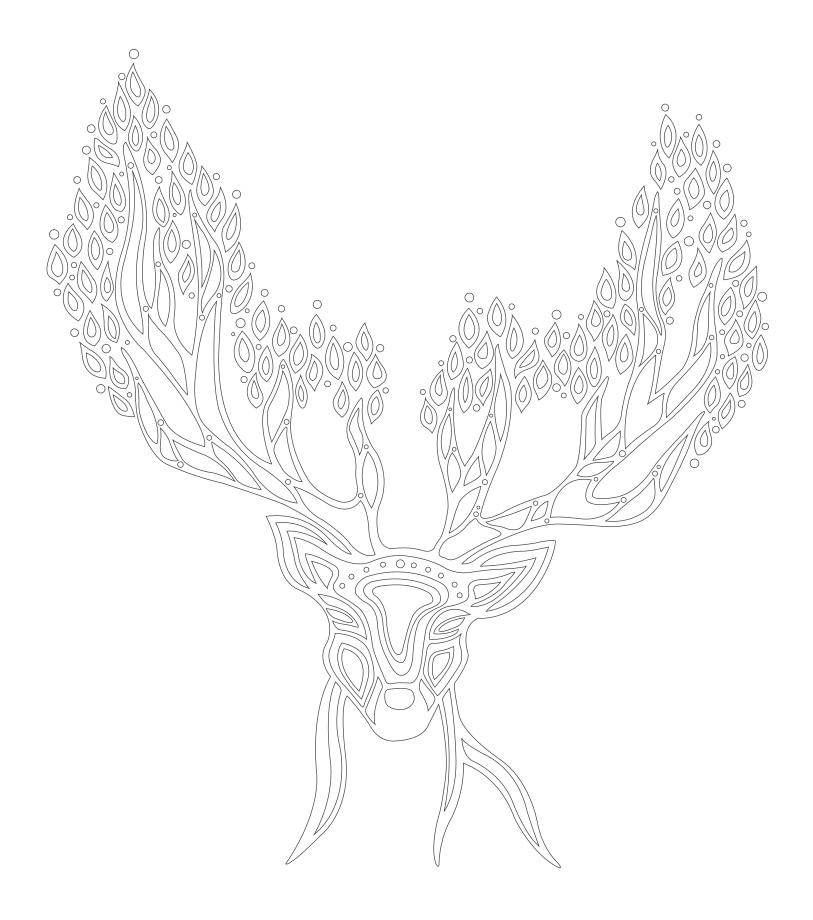
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The spirit of the deer is beautiful.

Ginaajiwan waawaashkeshi manoowaadizid.

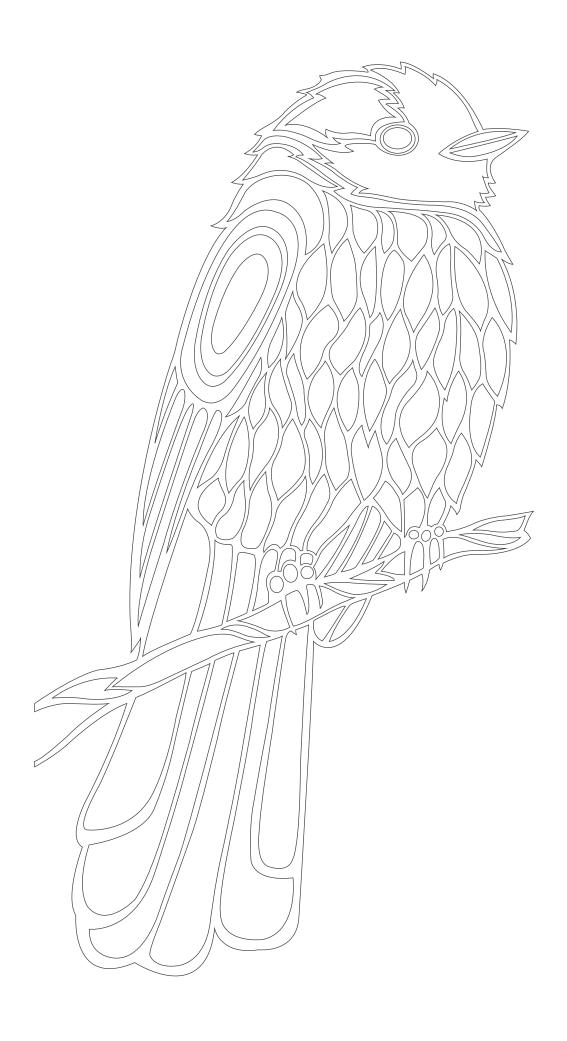


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Whiskey Jack birds are grey.

Whiskey Jack bineshiinyag waabiziinyaasiwag.



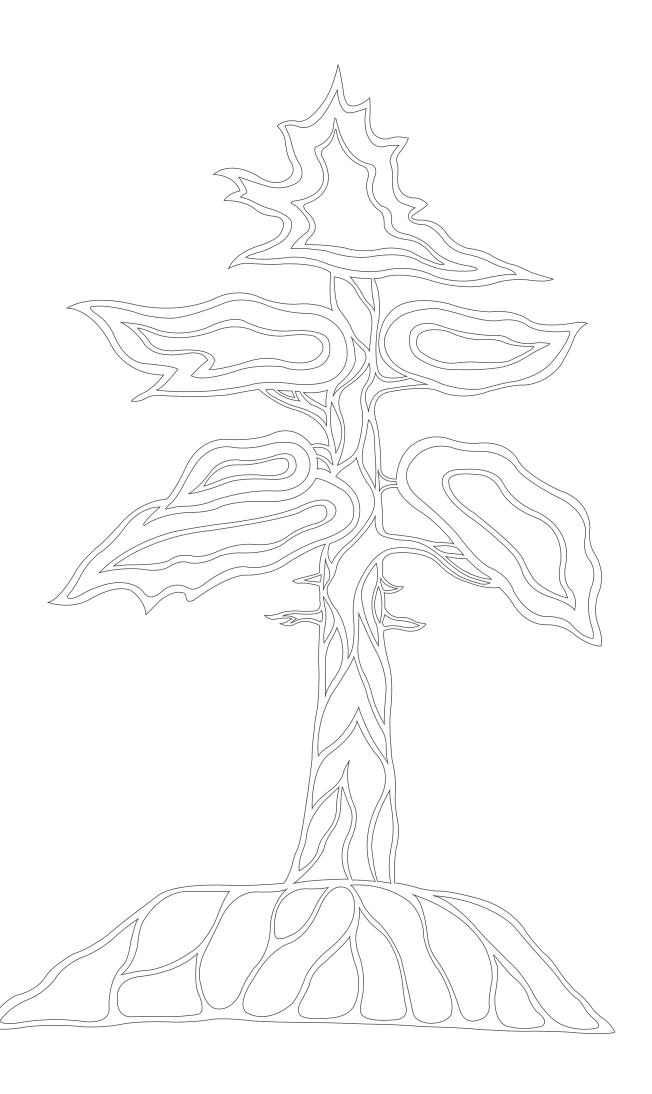


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The white pine tree is fun to climb.

Minowendaagad baa maandawanag zhingwaak.



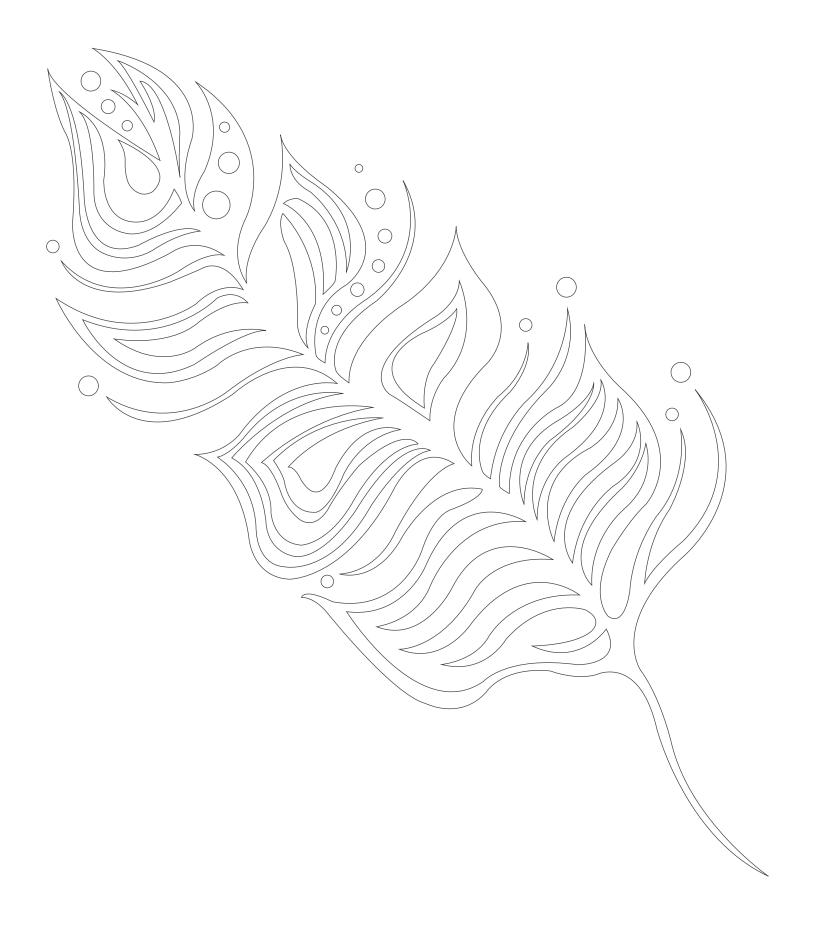


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Feathers were once used for writing.

Miigwanag gii minwaabaji'aawan zhibiigeng.



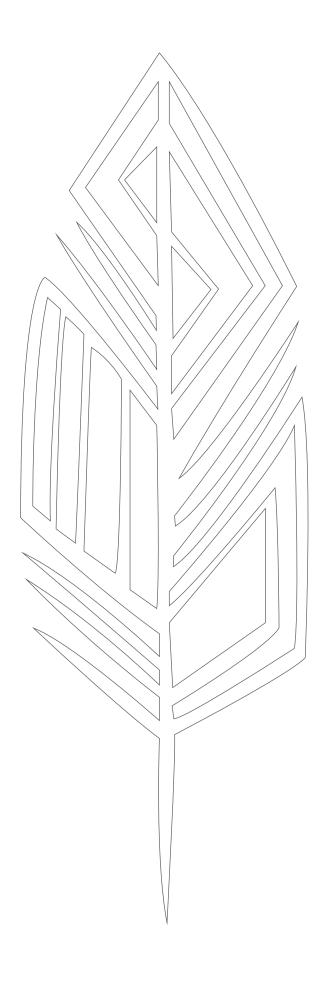


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Have you earned an eagle feather?

Gii'gshki'aa na mshi migizi miigwan?





 There is life in every seed.

Baatiinad bimaadiziwin miinkaaning.





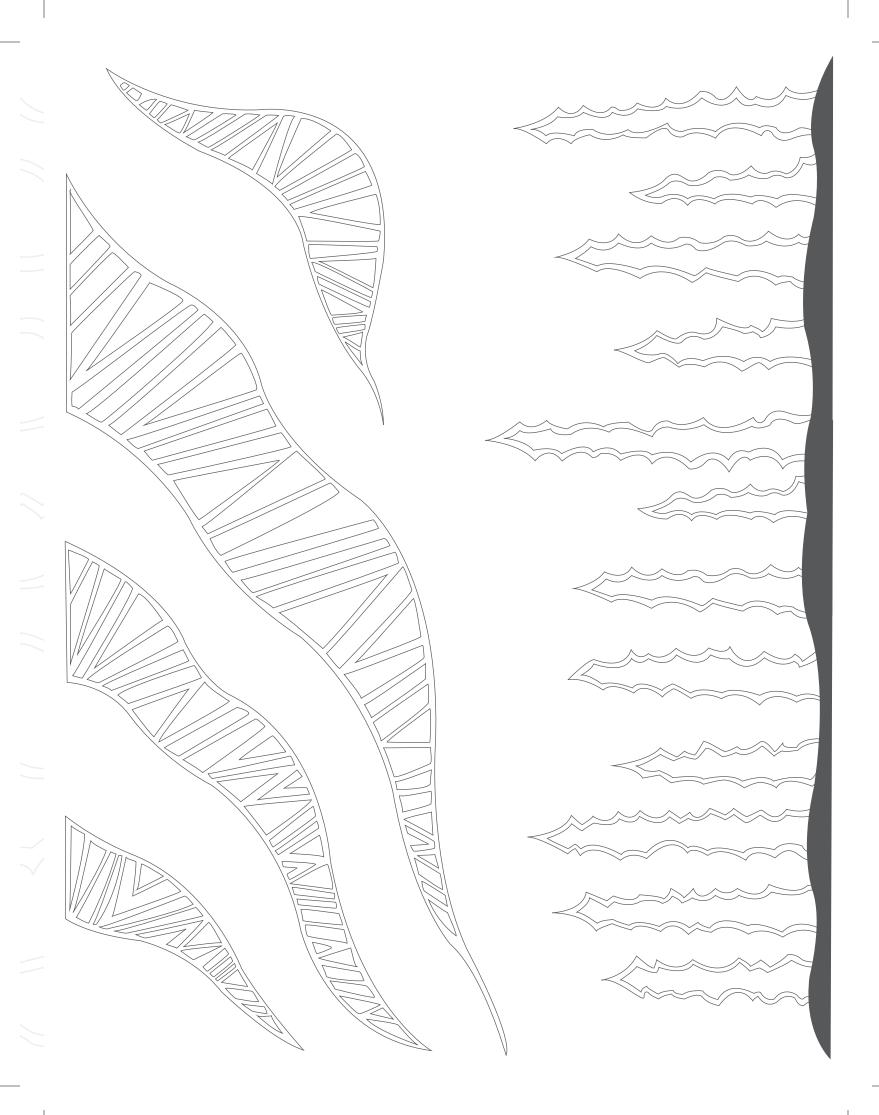
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Northern lights dance over the forest.

Waasnoodeg gidji megayaak niimidiwag.

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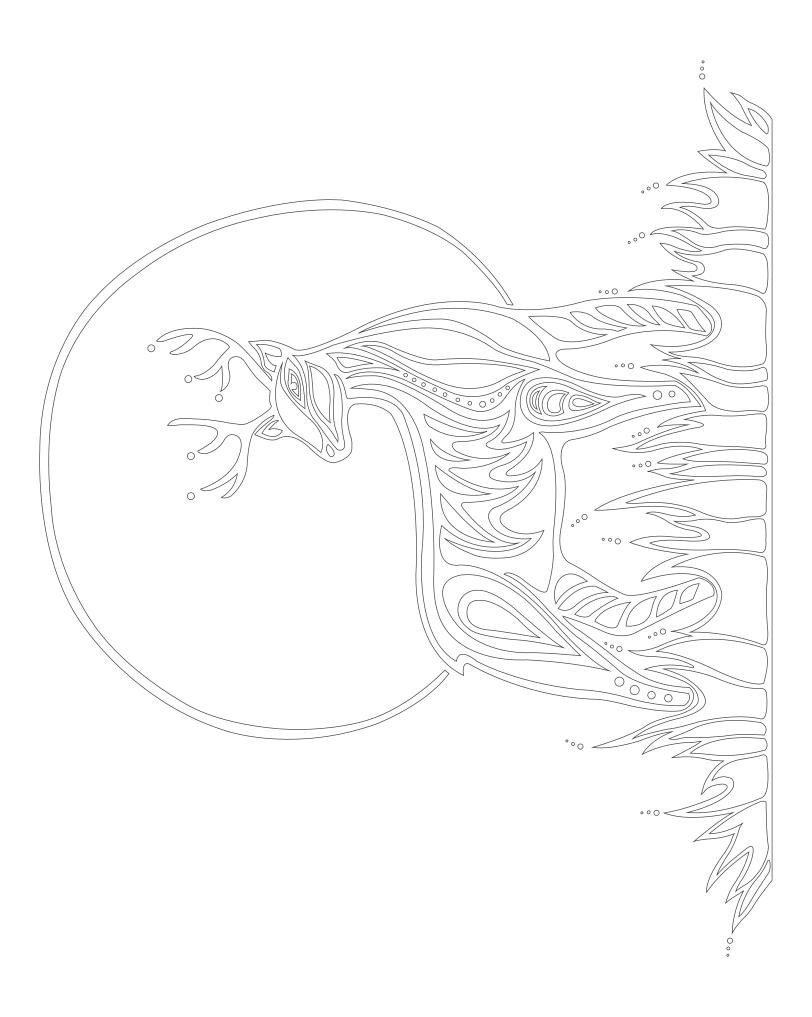
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The young deer eats vegetation.

Waawaaskeshiins miijin miishkoons.



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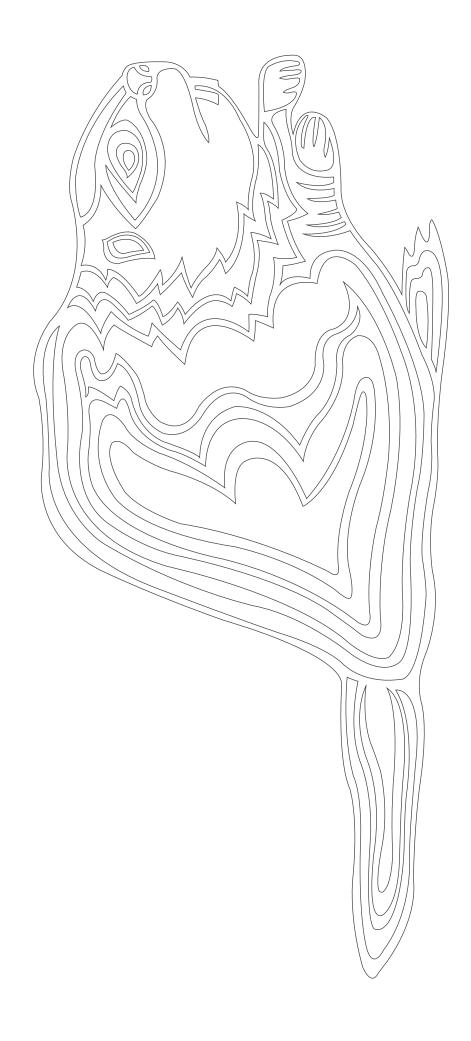


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Maabam wesiinh amik, gi-taamgonkii

The beaver is a hardworking animal.

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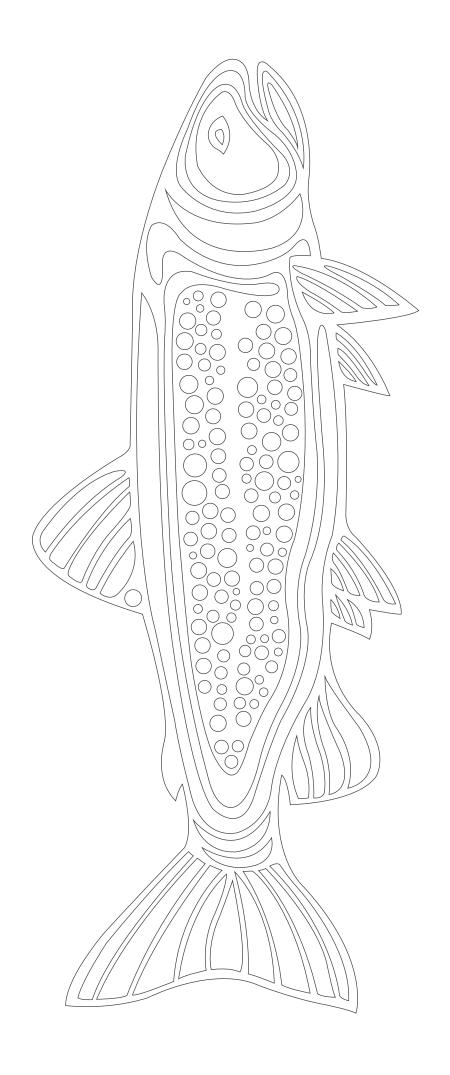
Salmon are important and feed many people.

Shpendaagozi ow salmon, shamaawad bemaadizinjin.



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Waabigwaniin bi-zaagikiinoon minookimig.

Flowers appear in the spring time.

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Arctic Foxes change from brown to white in winter. aanj waabishkaanzo waagosh miinwaa Ozaawaanzo bi'boong.

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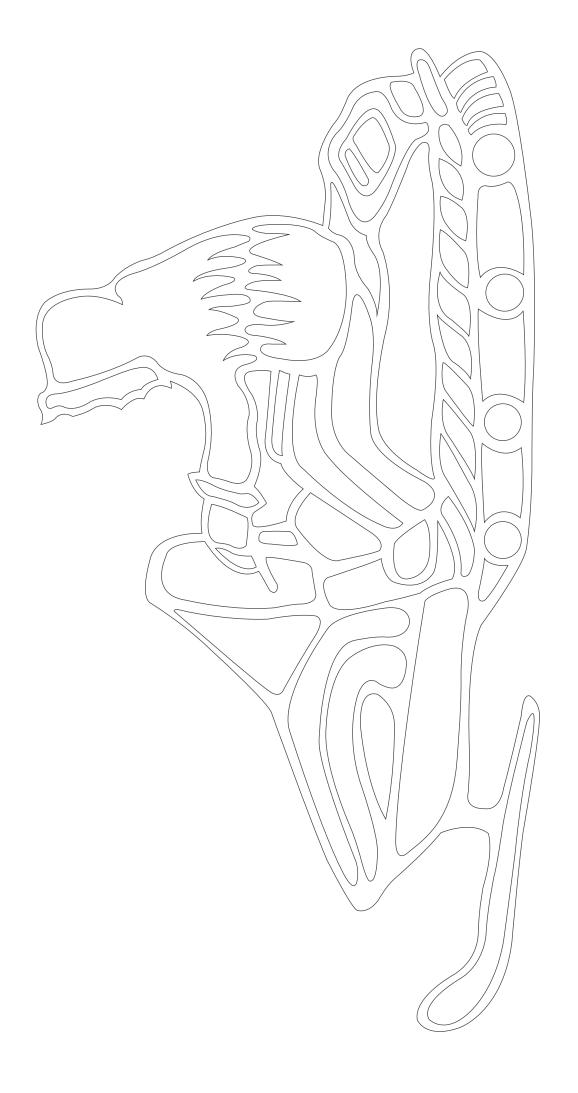
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Snowmobiles make travel in winter more fun.

G'bi'baa minobizom goondaabaaning bi'boong.



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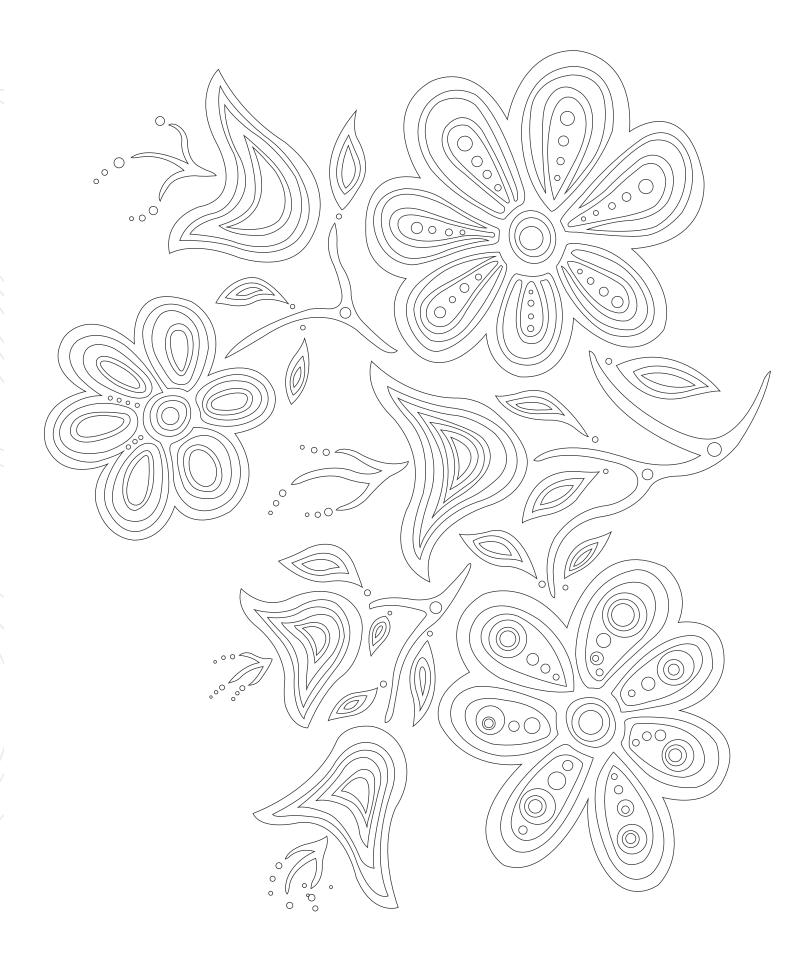
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Flowers make people happy.

G'chi-nendimook bemaadizijik debinamiwad waabigwaniin.



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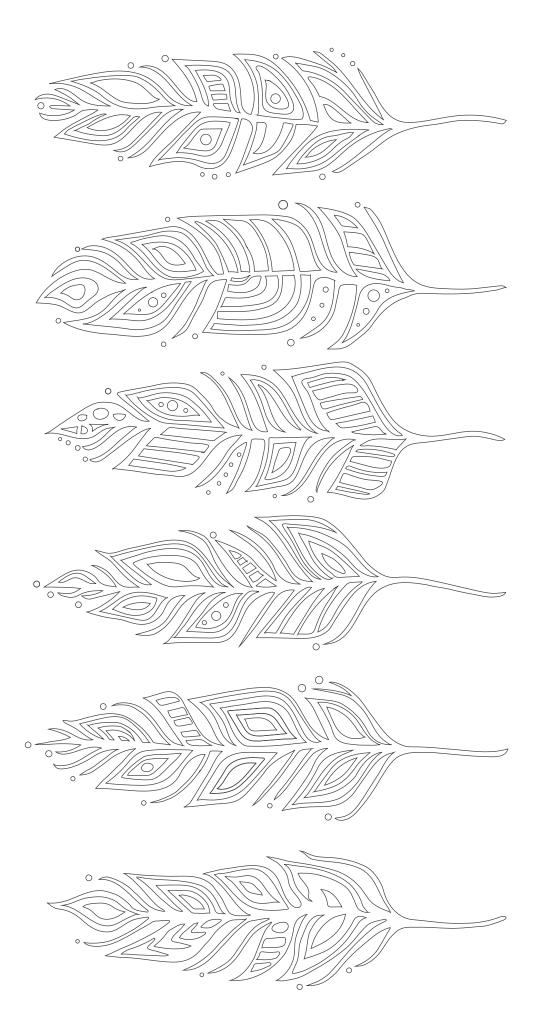


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1 feather, 2 feathers, 3 feathers, 4 feathers, 5 feathers, 6 feathers

Bezhig miigwan, niizh miigwanag, niswi miigwanag, niiwin miigwanag, naanan miigwanag, nigodwaaswi miigwanag





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The Chiefs of our communities are great leaders.

G'doo gimaamnaanig maampii enjibaaying n'taa gimaawag.

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Giving thanks for Creation is important.

Miigwechwendmang shki-bimaadiziwin g'chi piitendaagwad.



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