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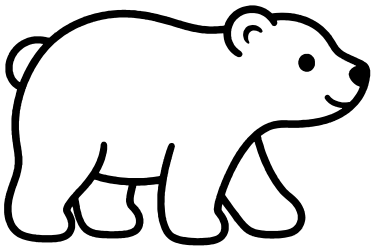
Read the text. Look at its headings, picture, caption, bold words and glossary.

Polar Bears

Polar bears live in the Arctic, the cold lands and seas around the North Pole. They spend much of their lives on the **sea ice**.

Made for the Cold

A polar bear has thick fur and a layer of fat called **blubber** under its skin. Both help keep it warm. Under its fur, its skin is black. Even the bottoms of its big paws have fur. The fur helps the bear walk on the ice without slipping.



A polar bear's thick fur keeps it warm.

Hunting Seals

Polar bears mostly eat seals. A bear waits by a hole in the ice where seals come up to breathe. When a seal pops up, the bear grabs it. A polar bear has a strong sense of smell. It can smell a seal from far away.

Did You Know?

Polar bears are strong swimmers. They paddle with their big front paws.

Cubs

A mother bear digs a **den** in the snow. Her tiny cubs are born inside it. They drink her milk and grow there for a few months. Then the family comes out. The cubs stay with their mother for about two years. They learn to hunt by watching her.

Glossary

blubber: a thick layer of fat that keeps an animal warm

den: a hidden home where an animal rests or has its babies

sea ice: ocean water that has frozen

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2. Under which heading can you read about what polar bears eat?

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3. Why is the word blubber in bold print?

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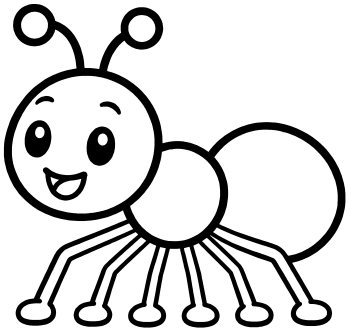
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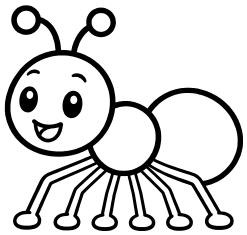
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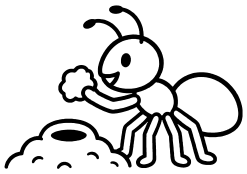
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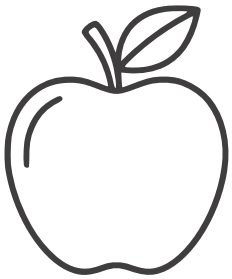
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Ant Jobs

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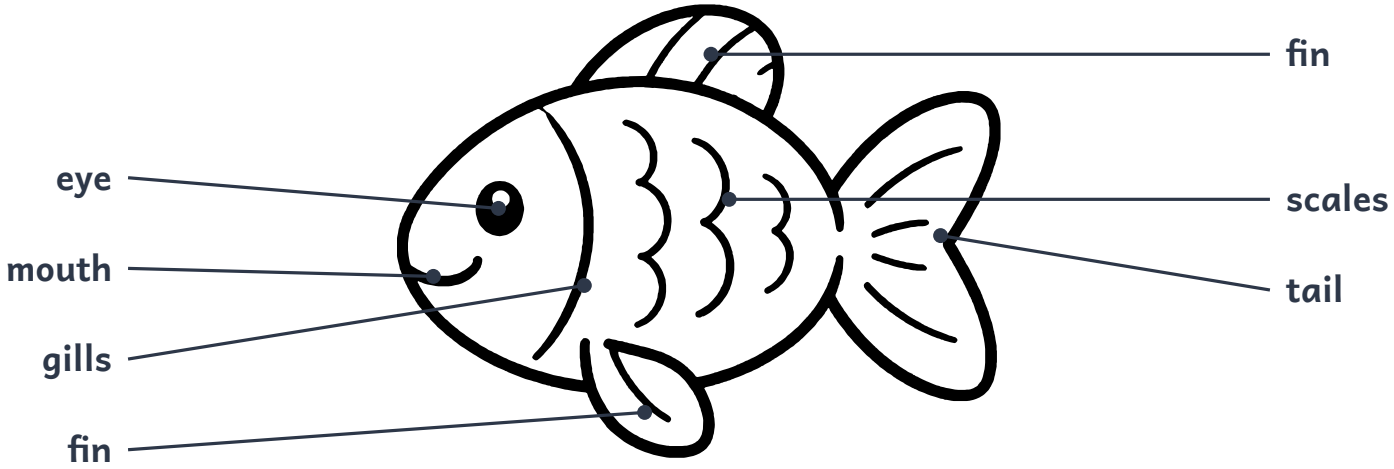


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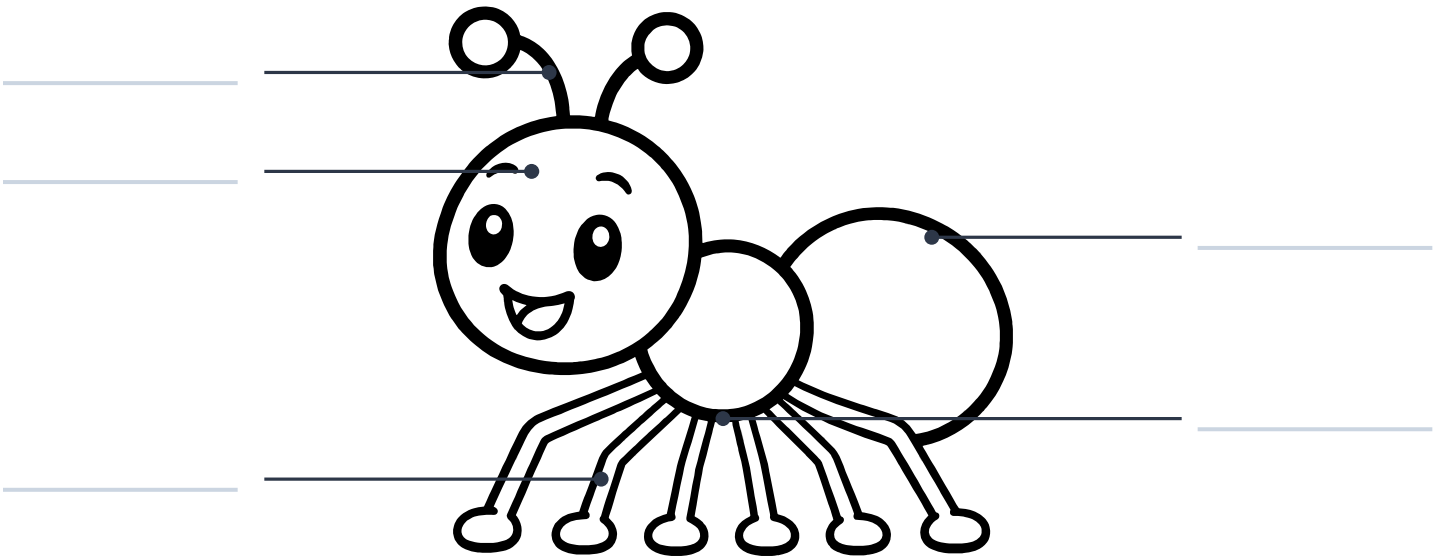


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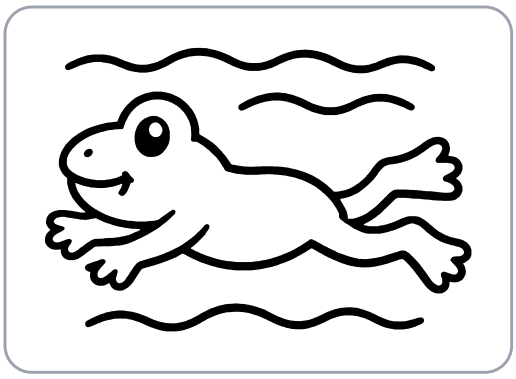
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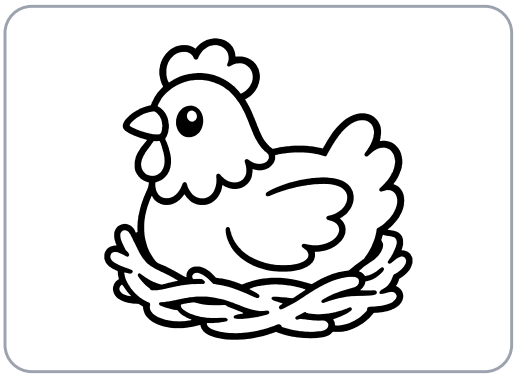
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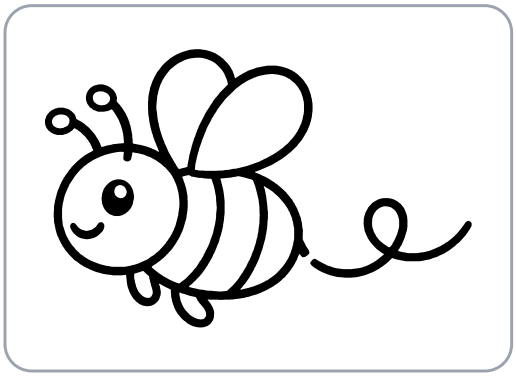
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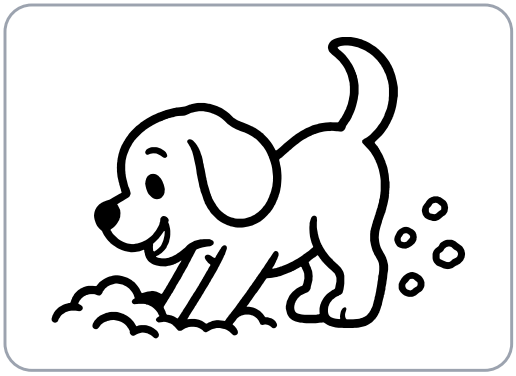
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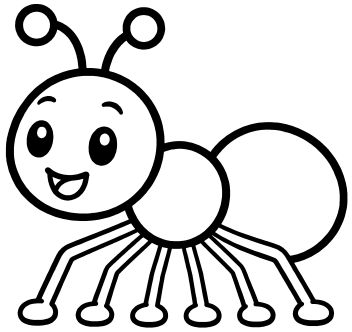
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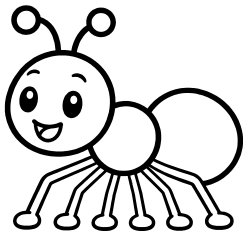
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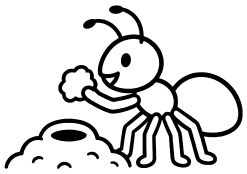
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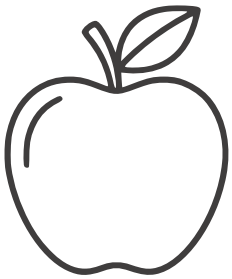
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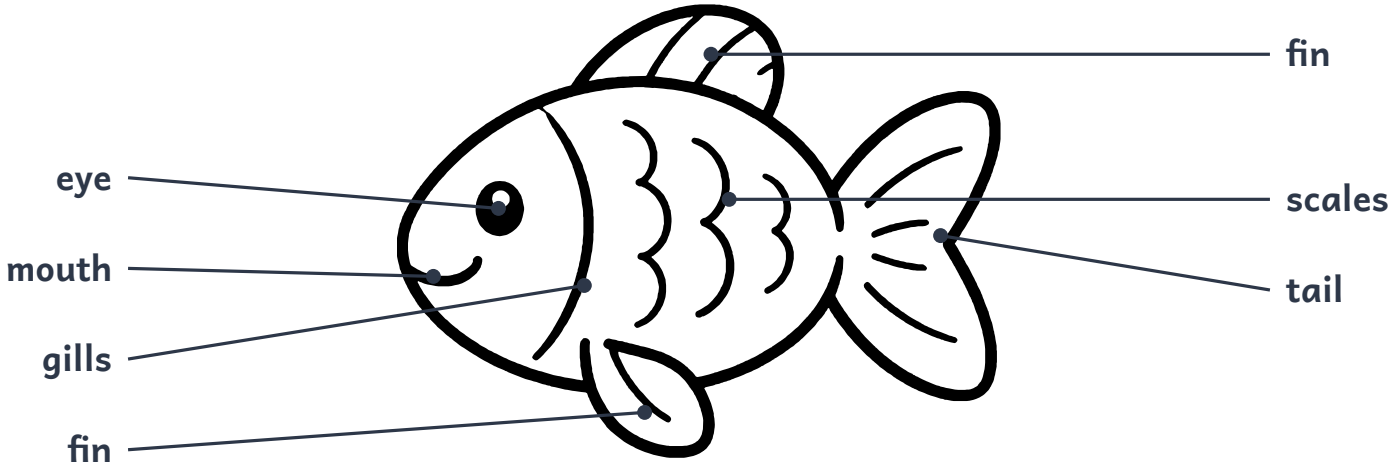


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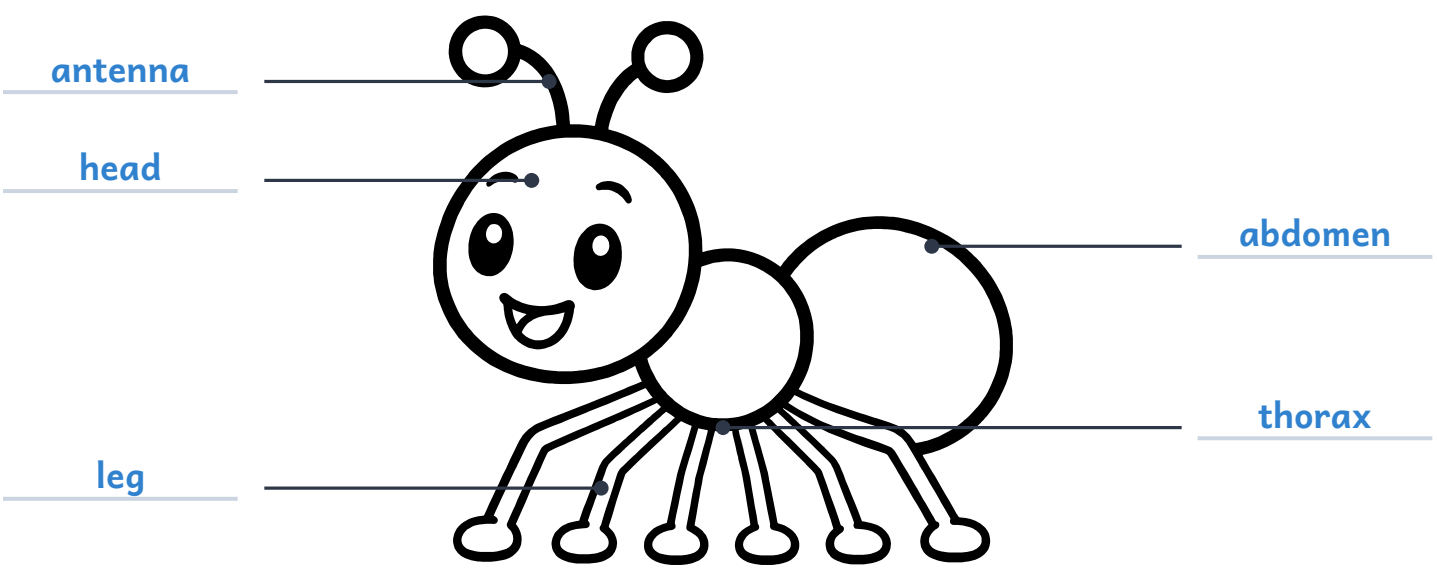


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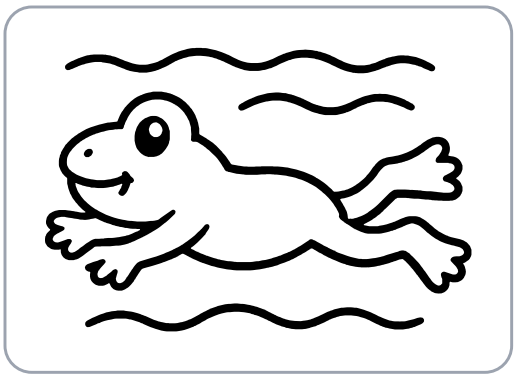
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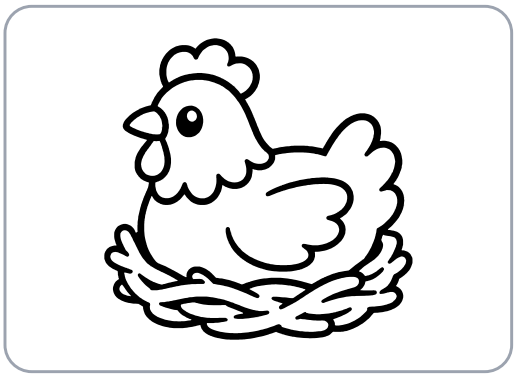
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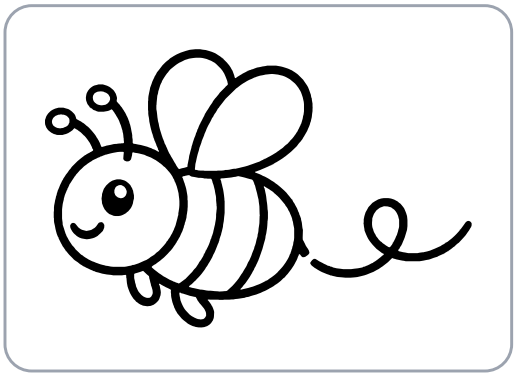
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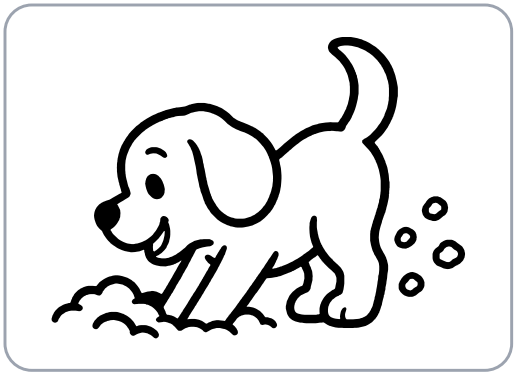
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A hen sits on her nest.



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A bee flies to look for food.



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A dog digs *a* hole in the dirt.

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