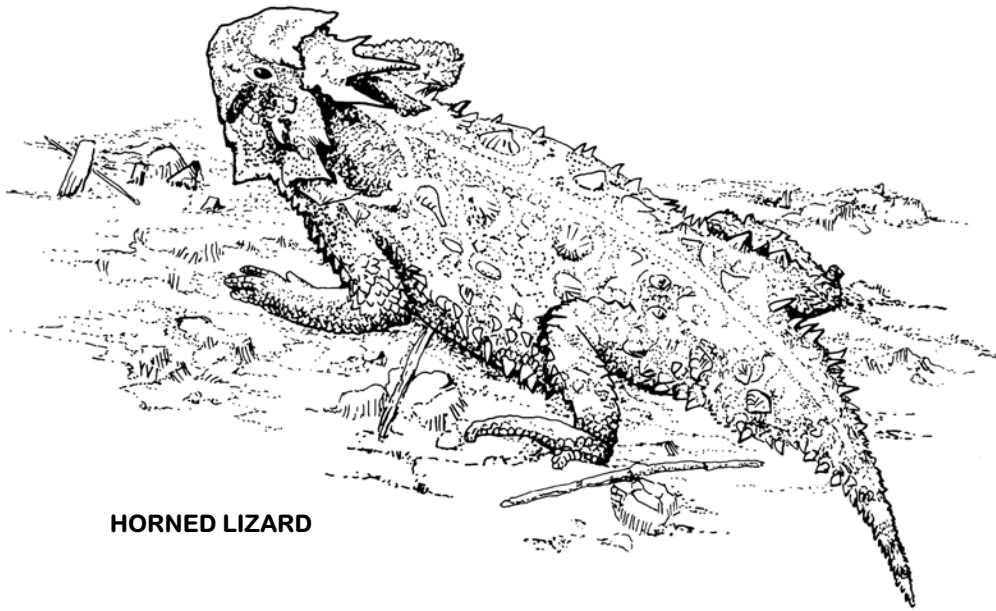


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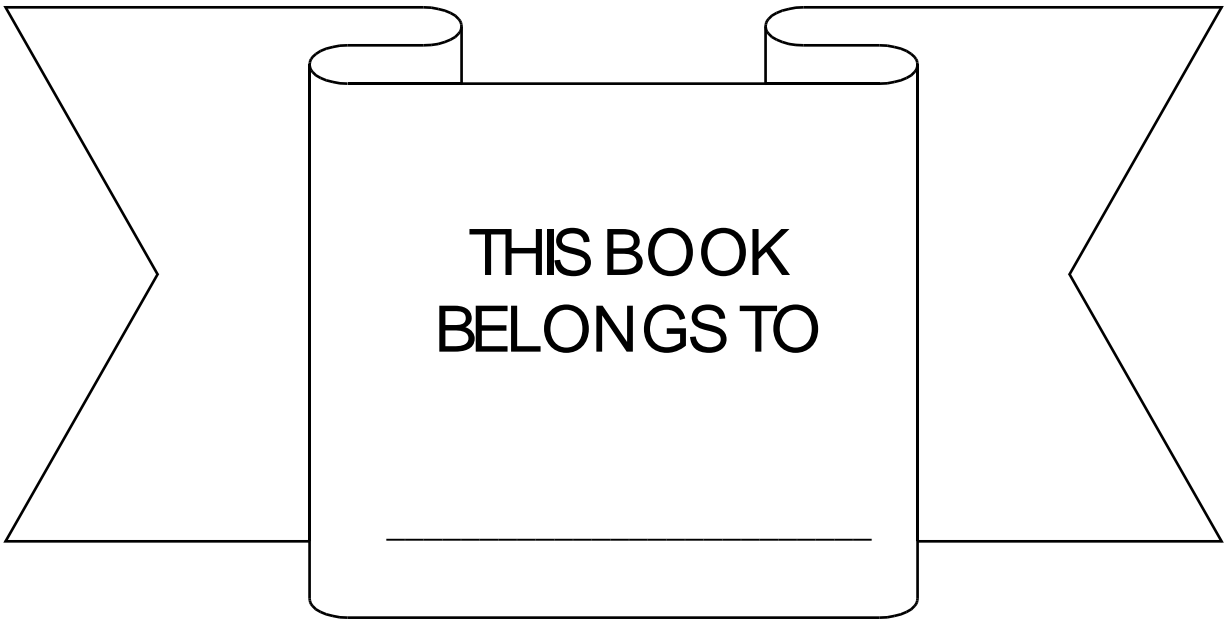


HORNED LIZARD



OUR MISSION

“To manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.”



THIS BOOK
BELONGS TO



Texas State Parks Pledge

I will:

- Treat all wildlife with kindness and respect.
- Swim only with an adult.
- Break up plastic six-pack rings before I throw them away.
- Recycle
- Bring home only pictures and memories.
- Do my best to have a safe and fun time.
- Be a good neighbor to my fellow campers by being quiet after 10:00 p.m.
- Leave my area cleaner than I found it.
- Stay on the trail.
- Throw all my trash, and any trash I find, in the dumpster.

Signature of Park Protector

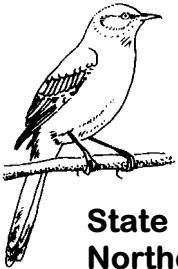
Witness to the Protector Pledge:

Signature of Parent or Participating Adult

TEXAS STATE SYMBOLS

State Song:
"Texas, Our Texas"

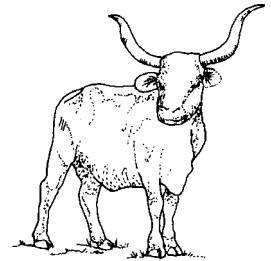
State Motto:
Friendship (Tejas)



State Bird:
Northern Mockingbird



Texas State Seal



State Large Mammal:
Longhorn



State Tree: Pecan



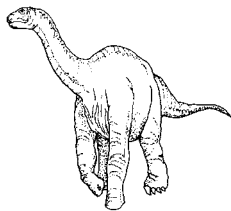
Texas Reptile:
Horned Lizard



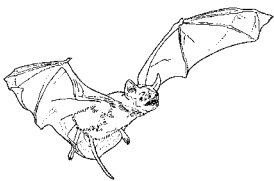
State Insect:
Monarch Butterfly



State Food: Chili



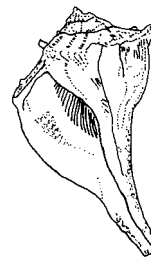
State Dinosaur:
Pleurocoelus



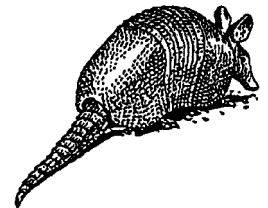
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Mexican Free-tailed Bat



State Flower:
Bluebonnet



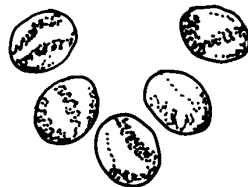
State Seashell:
Lightning Whelk



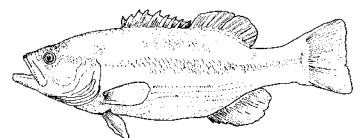
State Small Mammal:
Nine-banded Armadillo



State Gemstone:
Texas Blue Topaz

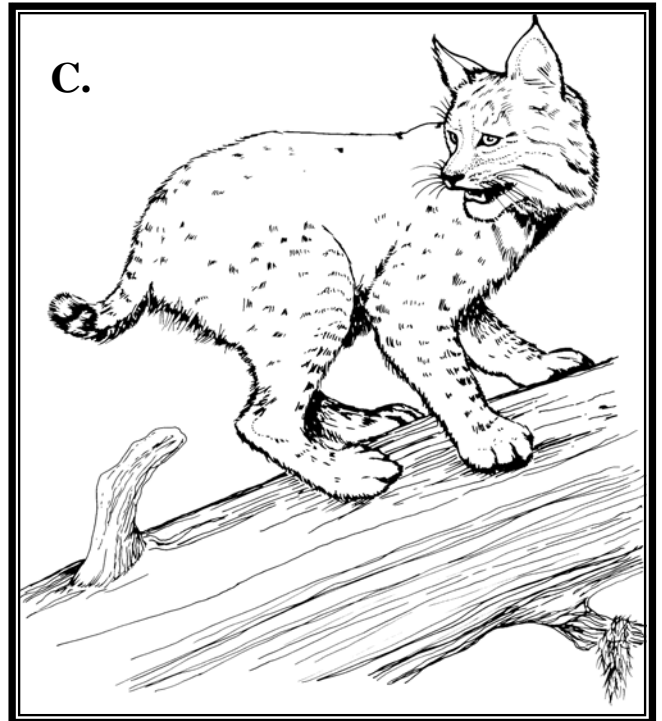
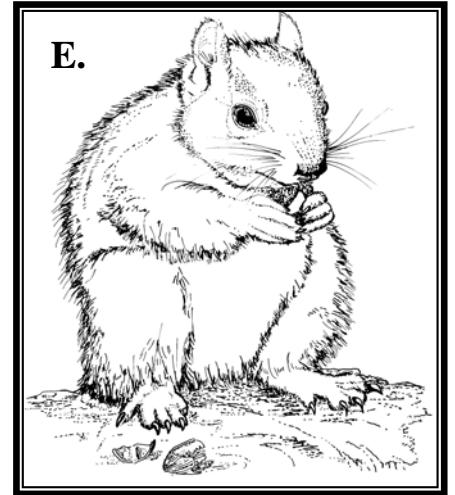
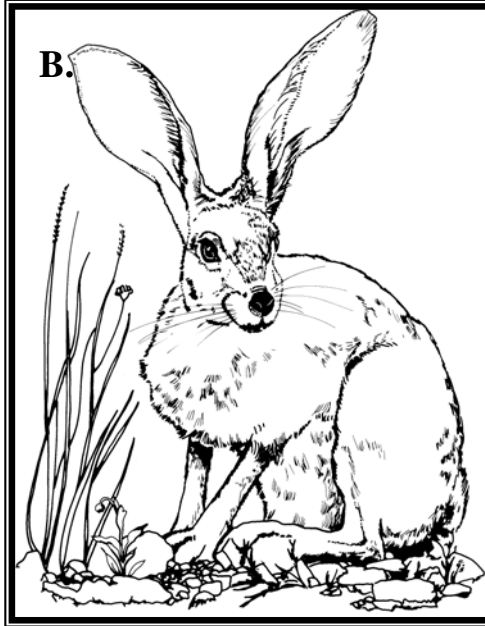
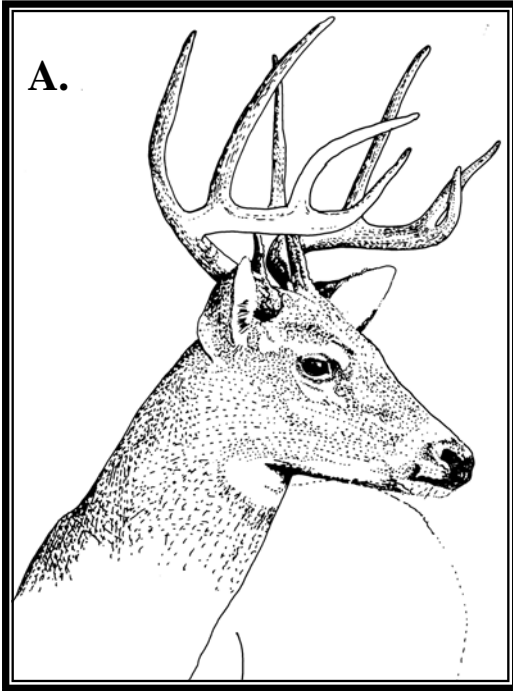


State Stone:
Petrified Palmwood



State Fish:
Guadalupe Bass

MAMMALS OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY



- A. White-tailed Deer
- B. Black-tailed Jackrabbit
- C. Bobcat
- D. Raccoon
- E. Fox Squirrel

HIKING AND BIKING OPPORTUNITIES



Mountain Biking and Hiking are two activities that many people enjoy at Texas Hill Country State Parks. The following parks offer these activities for you and your family to enjoy:

Mountain Biking:

**Kerrville-Schreiner
Hill Country
Pedernales Falls
South Llano River**

Hiking:

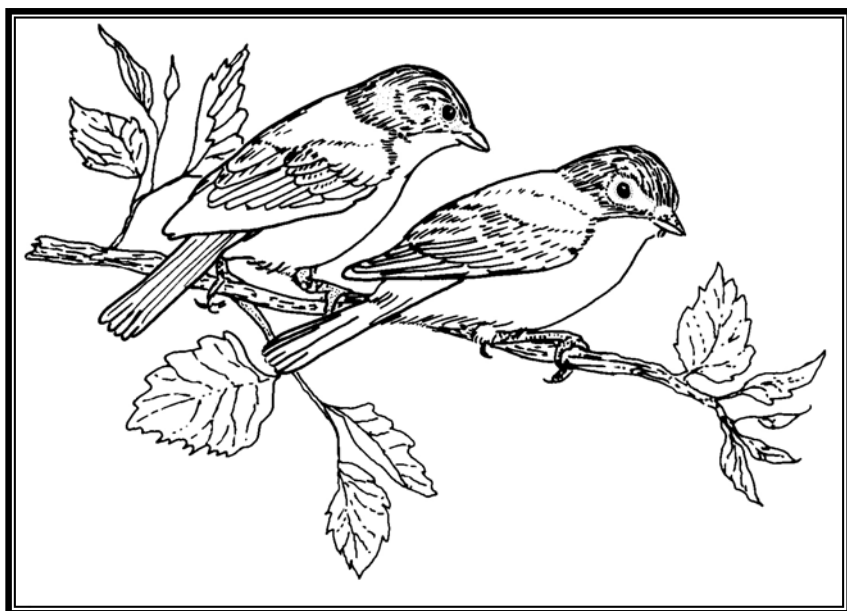
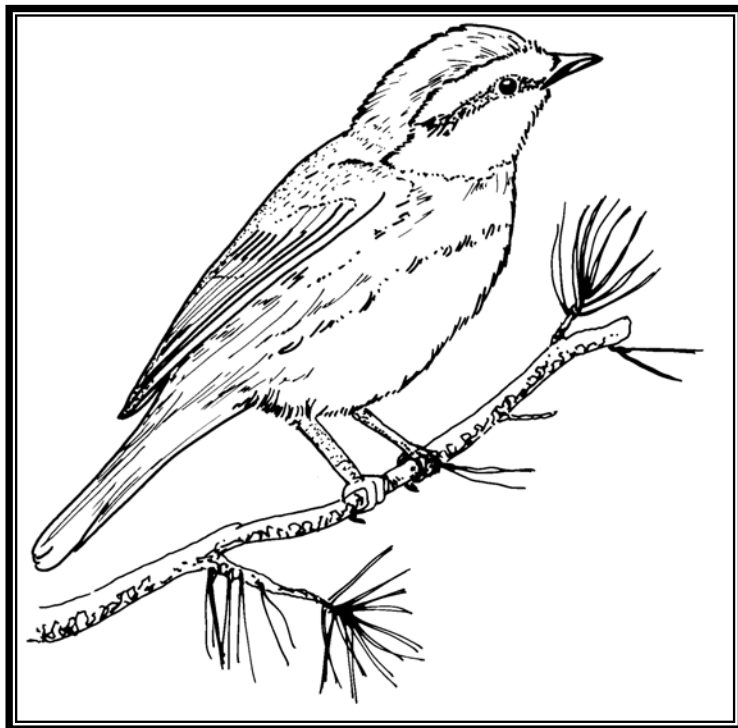
**Enchanted Rock
Blanco
Pedernales Falls
South Llano River
Colorado Bend
Garner
Hill Country
Inks Lake
Lost Maples
LBJ State Historical Site**

RARE BIRDS OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

Golden-cheeked Warbler -
Endangered species found only in Texas during the summer when it nests in the following Hill Country State Parks:

Lost Maples
Pedernales Falls
Garner
Colorado Bend

Above: Black
Bib: Black
Belly: White
Cheeks: Golden
Eye Line: Black



Black-capped Vireo - An endangered species that nests in the Texas Hill Country. Can be found at the following Hill Country State Parks:

South Llano River
Hill Country
Lost Maples

Above: Grayish-Green
Below: White
Head: Black with White Spectacles

THINGS A FISHERMAN USES

Find the words in the puzzle. They can be horizontal, vertical or diagonal. Then make a list of the remaining letters and put them into a sentence.

- RODS
- FLOATS
- HOOKS
- WEIGHTS
- LANDING NET
- REELS
- FISHING LINE
- BAITS
- SWIVELS
- ANGLER

K	E	E	P	Y	O	U	R	R	O	D	T	S
I	N	F	A	B	A	S	W	I	V	E	L	S
G	A	L	I	N	D	Y	O	U	N	B	R	R
H	O	O	K	S	E	E	L	G	S	A	I	N
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S	A	N	D	F	W	R	O	M	E	Y	N	O
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FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

The following state parks offer the chance to do some fishing:

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| <u>Park/Site</u> | <u>Waterway</u> |
| Blanco | Blanco River |
| Colorado Bend | Colorado River |
| Enchanted Rock | Moss Lake |
| Garner | Frio River |
| Hill Country | West Verde Creek |
| Inks Lake | Inks Lake |
| Kerrville-Schreiner | Guadalupe River |
| Lyndon B. Johnson | Pedernales River |
| Pedernales Falls | Llano River |
| South Llano River | Sabinal River |
| Lost Maples | |

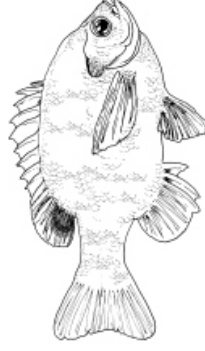
You may catch some of the following types of fish:



Channel Catfish



Guadalupe Bass



Bluegill



Sunfish

IF YOU WERE A BIRD WHAT WOULD YOU LOOK LIKE?

Would you be big or small?

What kind of legs would you have?

- long and skinny
- short with webbed feet

Would you be a songbird, a bird of prey or still another bird?

What color would you be?
Plain or brightly colored?

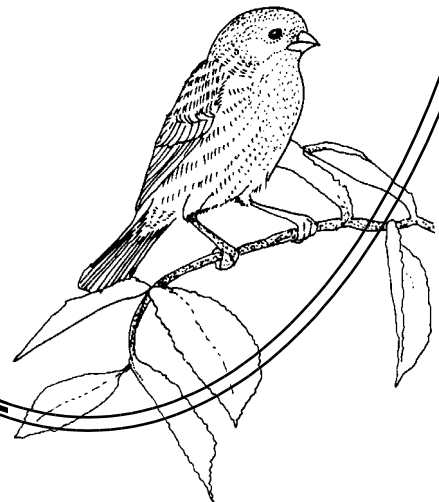
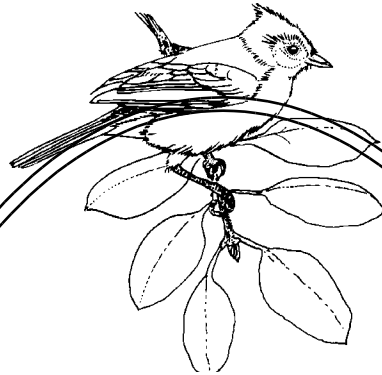
Would you have a long tail or a short one?

What kind of beak would you have?

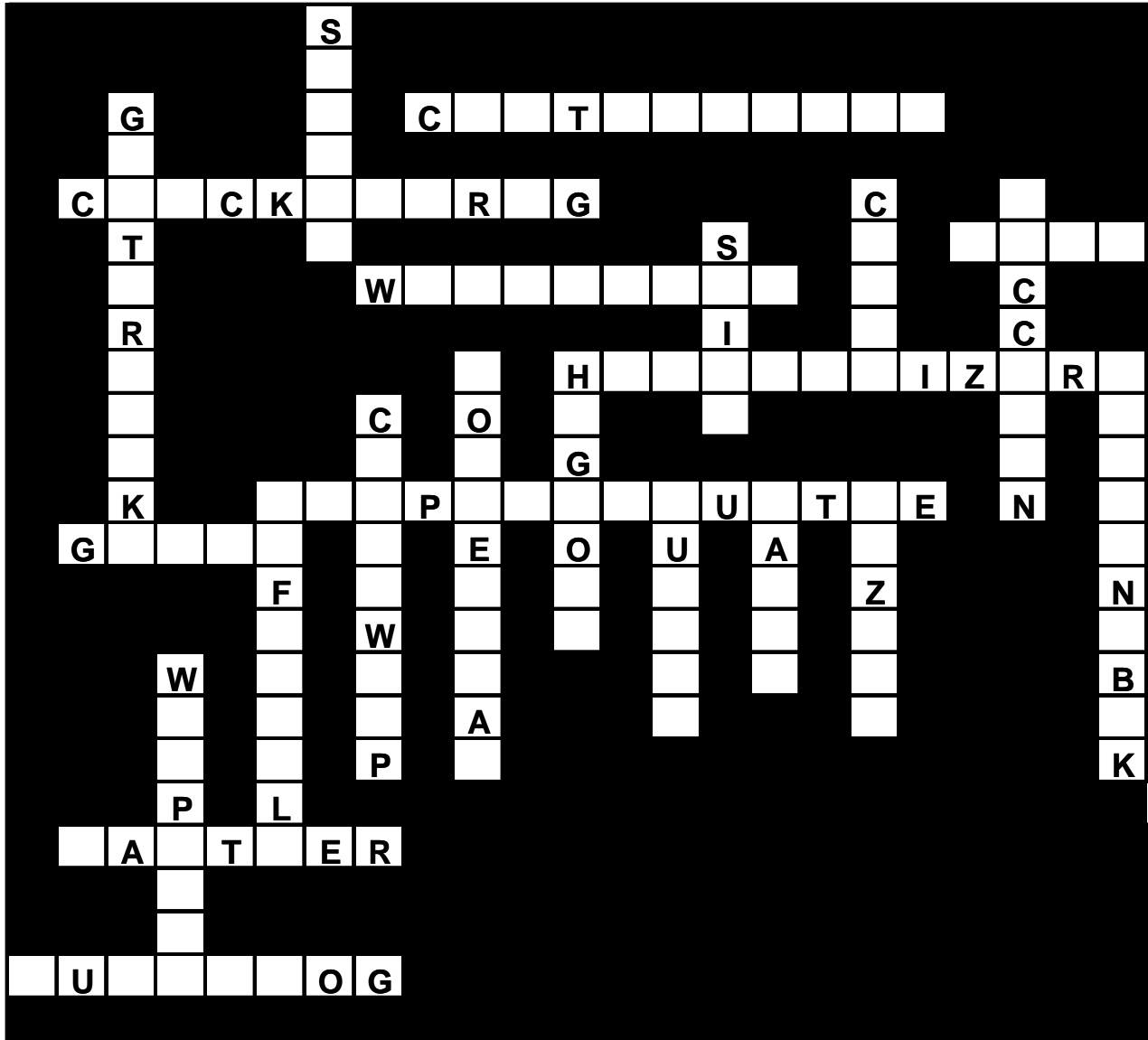
- a sharp beak
- a round beak
- a rip-and-tear beak
- a long, skinny, probing beak

When you've made your choice, can you think of a real bird you resemble?

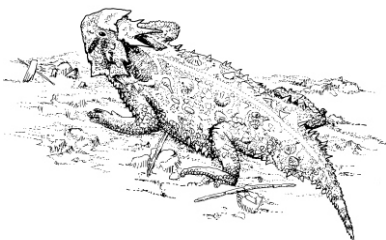
In the oval, draw the view you would see of your yard area if you were a bird flying overhead.



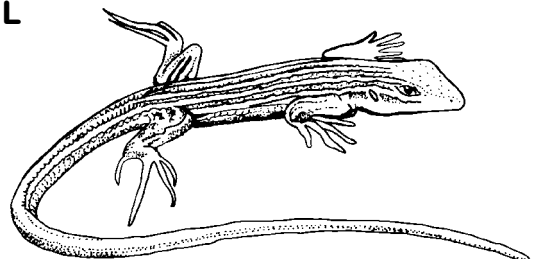
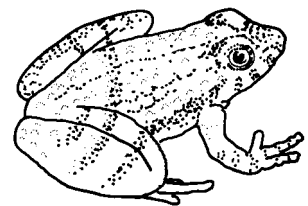
REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS PUZZLE



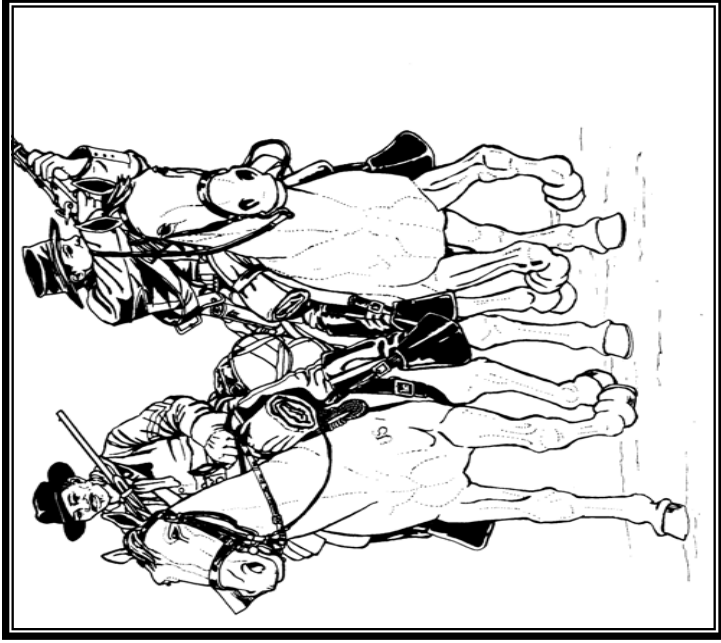
See how many of the reptiles and amphibians you can put in the proper squares in the puzzle.



- BULLFROG
- COACHWHIP
- COPPERHEAD
- CORAL SNAKE
- COTTONMOUTH
- CRICKETFROG
- DIAMONBACK
- GARTERSNAKE
- GECKO
- HOGNOSE
- HORNED LIZARD
- LIZARD
- MOCCASIN
- RACER
- RATTLER
- SKINK
- SLIDER
- SNAPPINGTURTLE
- SOFTSHELL
- TOAD
- TURTLE
- WHIPSNAKE
- WHIPTAIL



TEXAS HILL COUNTRY HISTORICAL PARKS



Buffalo Soldiers

Fort McKavett State Historical Site

– An old frontier post that was established to protect settlers and travelers who were moving to the west. The Fort was occupied by black “Buffalo Soldiers.” Demonstrations and special events are held throughout the year.



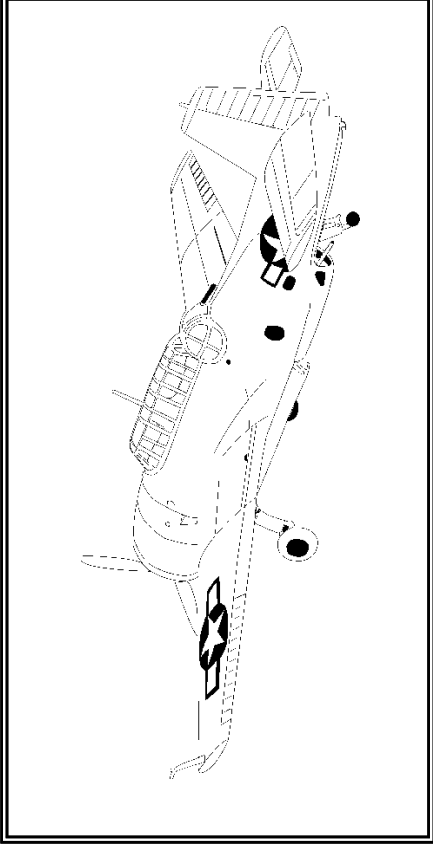
Farming with Horse and Plow

LBJ State Historical Site – Sauer-Beckman

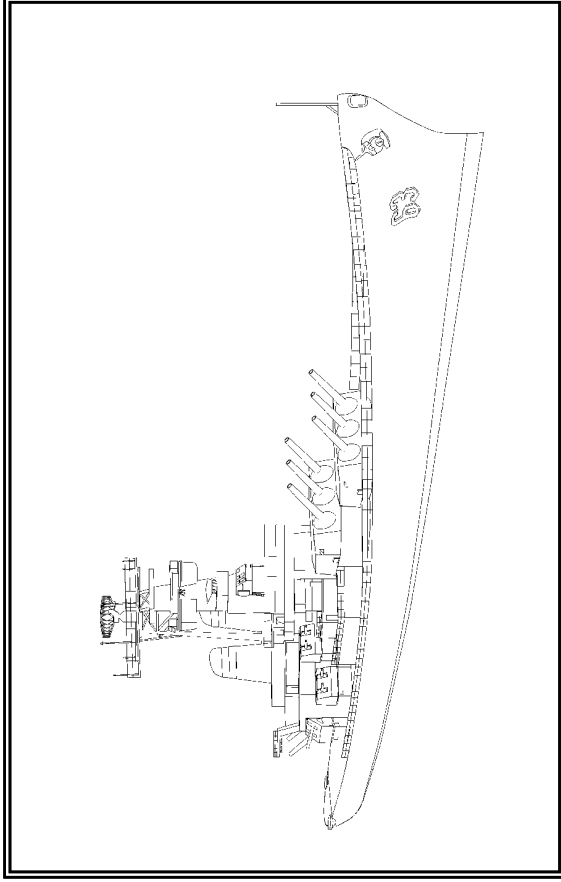
Living History Farm – This park has demonstrations of life on a farm in the early 1900’s. There are also tours of past President Lyndon B. Johnson’s Ranch in Stonewall.

TEXAS HILL COUNTRY HISTORICAL PARKS

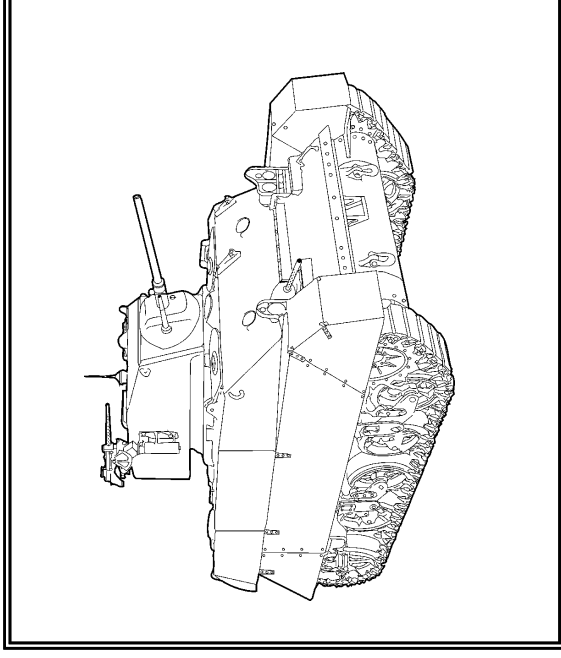
National Museum of the Pacific War – Exhibits of the attack on Pearl Harbor and the War of the Pacific (World War II). Former President George Bush will be the keynote speaker at “Remember Pearl Harbor 2001,” the official mainland commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor.



TBM “Avenger”

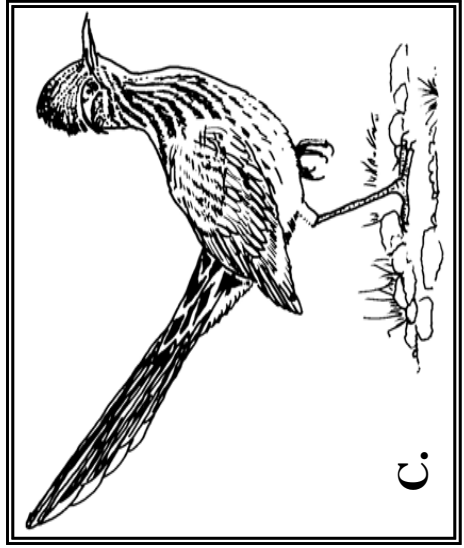
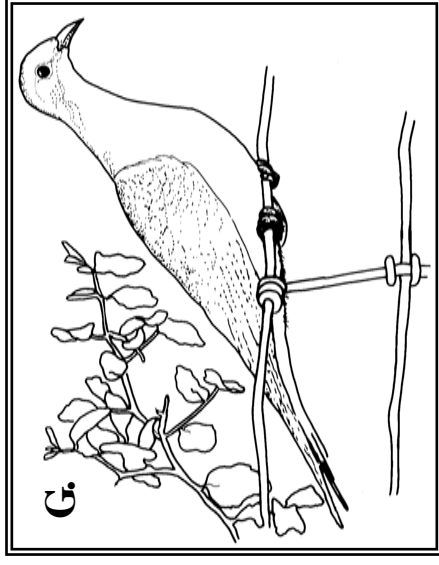
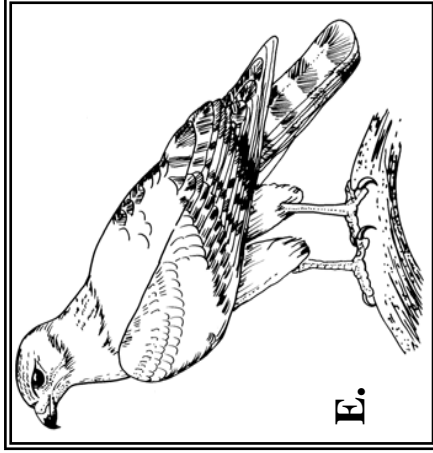
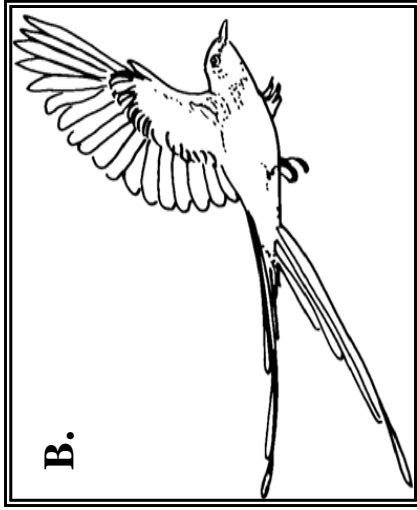
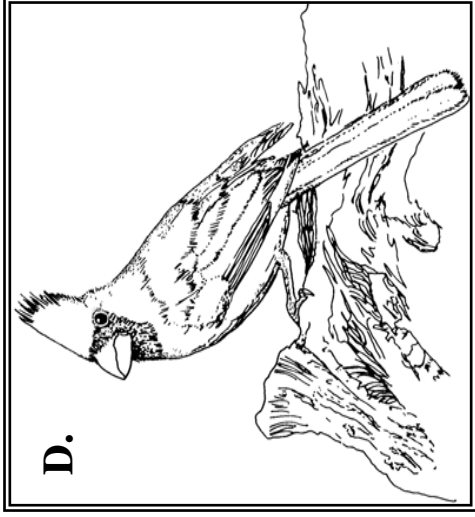
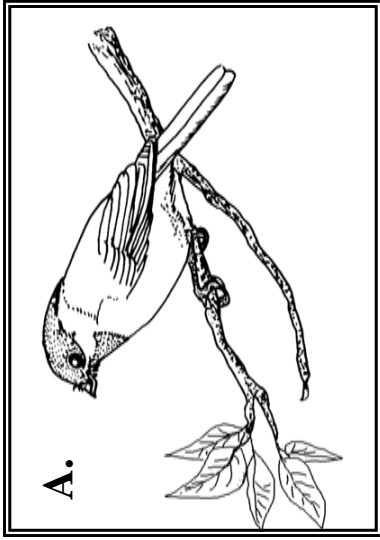


U.S.S. Missouri (Iowa Class Battleship)



M5 Light Tank “Stuart”

BIRDS OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY



How many of these birds can you find in the Park?

- A. Carolina Chickadee
- B. Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
- C. Greater Roadrunner
- D. Northern Cardinal
- E. Red-shouldered Hawk
- F. Golden-fronted Woodpecker
- G. Mourning Dove

TEXAS STATE PARKS FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



We hope you have enjoyed this activity guide.

Please visit your friends at the following Texas Hill Country Parks.

**Blanco State Park
Colorado Bend State Natural Area
Enchanted Rock State Natural Area
Fort McKavett State Historical Park
Garner State Park
Hill Country State Natural Area
Inks Lake State Park
Kerrville-Schreiner State Park
Lost Maples State Natural Area
LBJ State Historical Park
Museum of the Pacific War
Pedernales Falls State Park
South Llano River State Park**