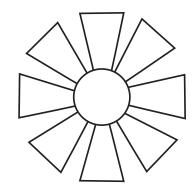


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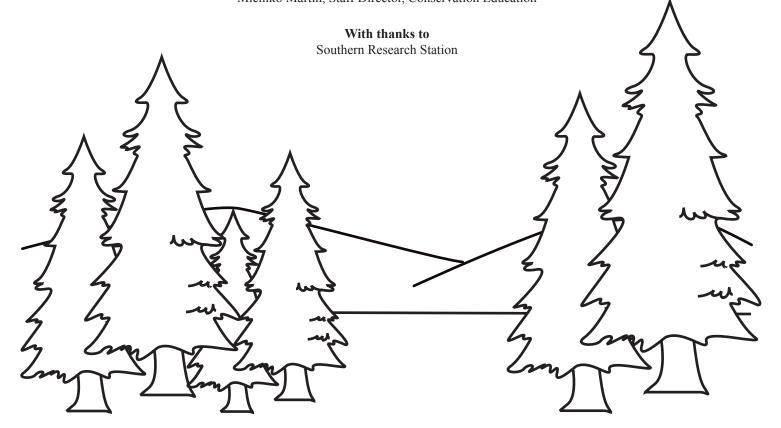
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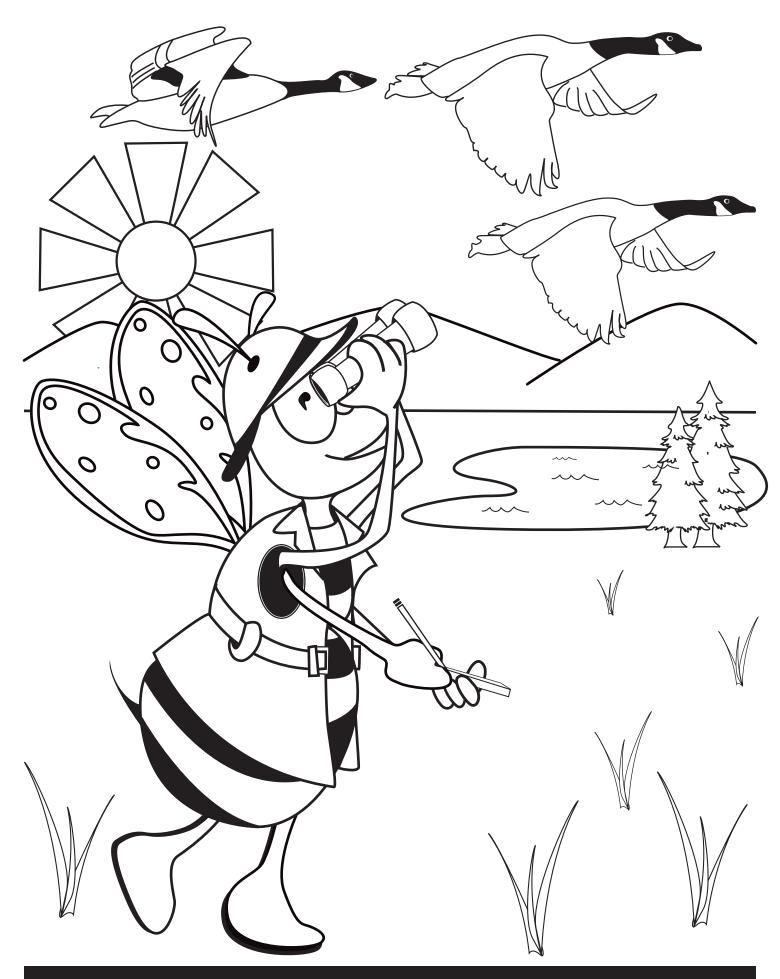
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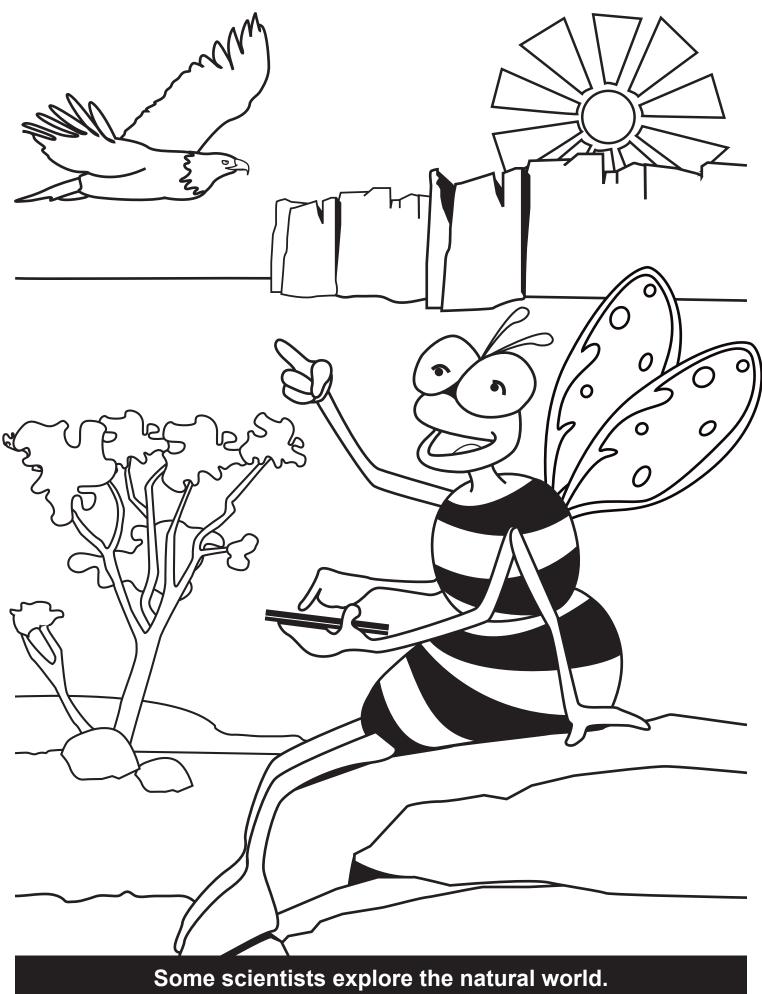
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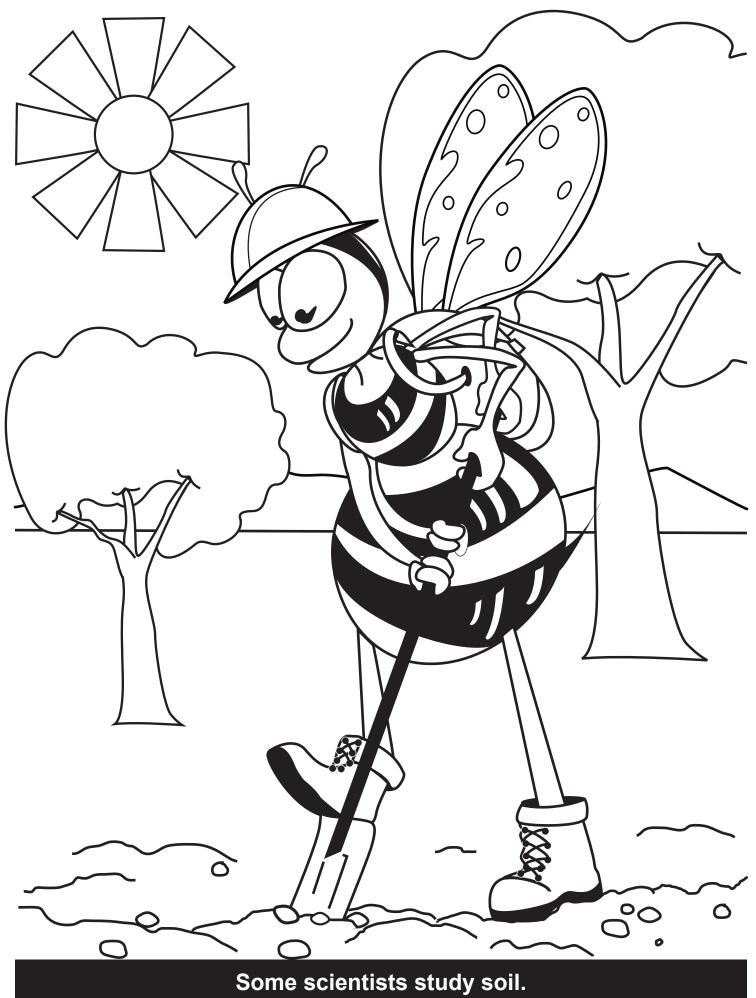
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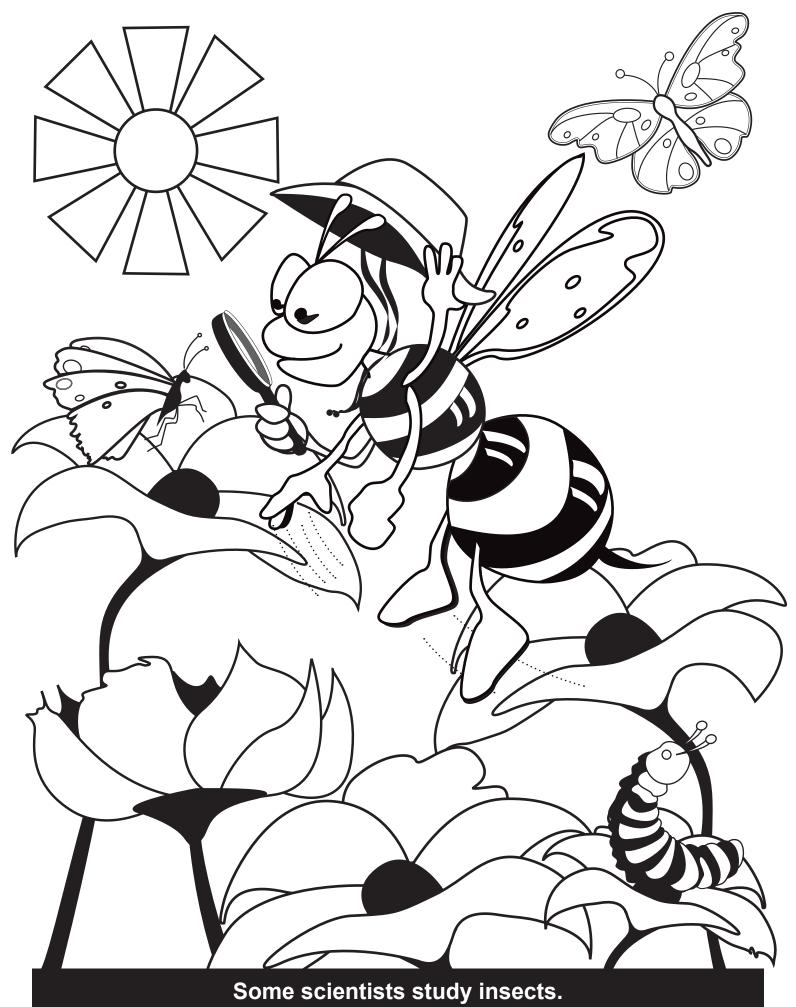




Some scientists study birds.

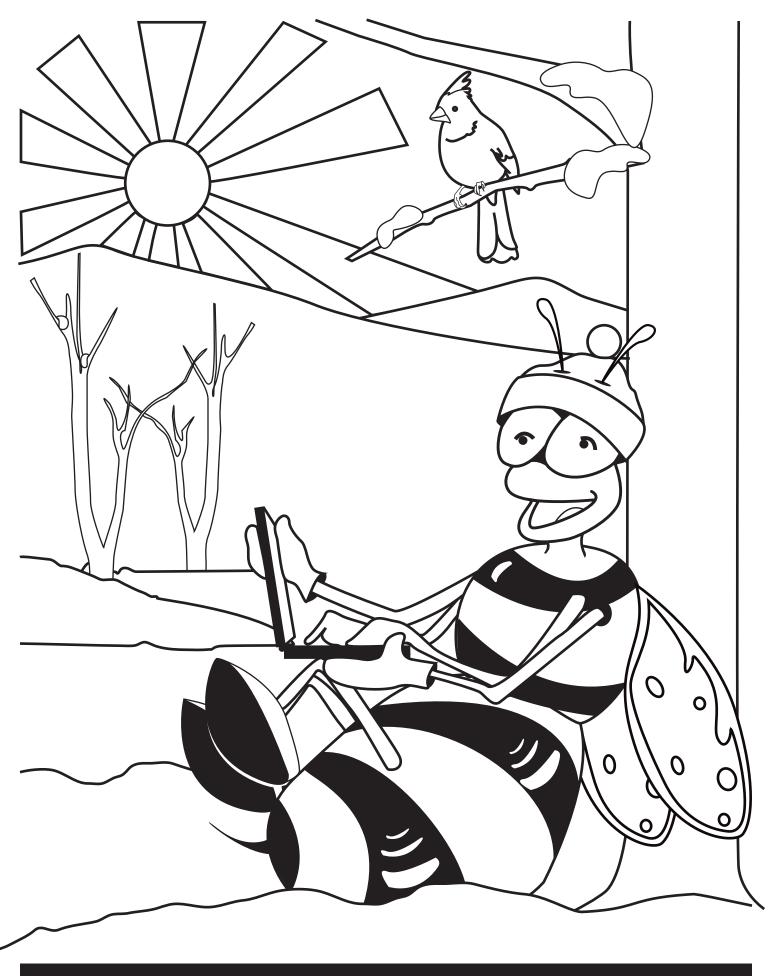




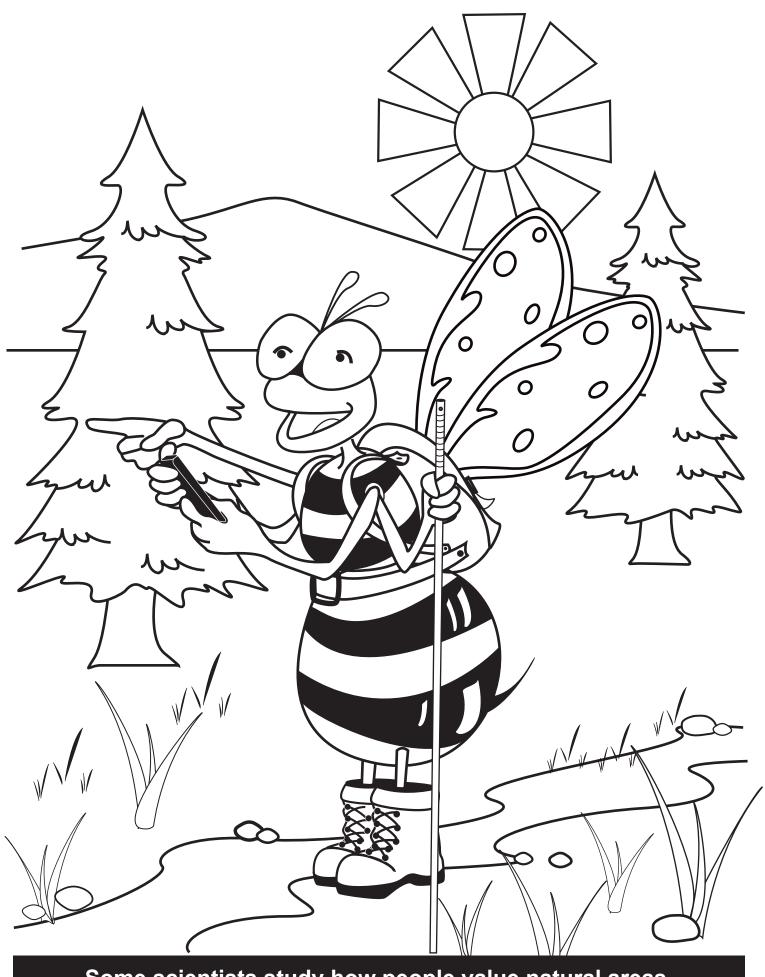




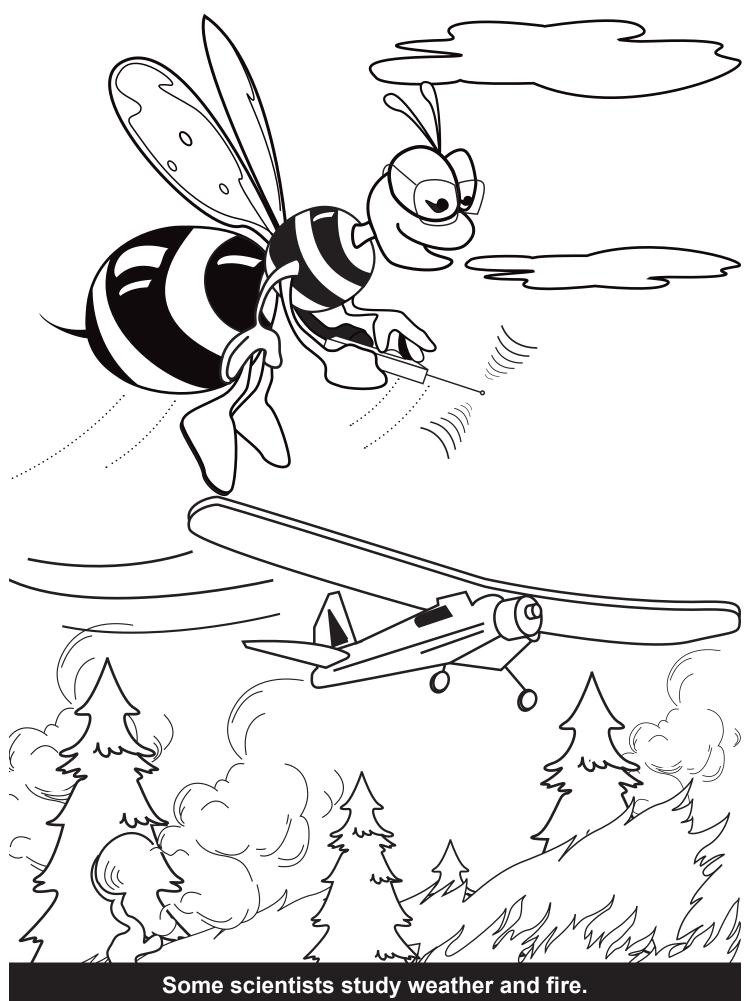
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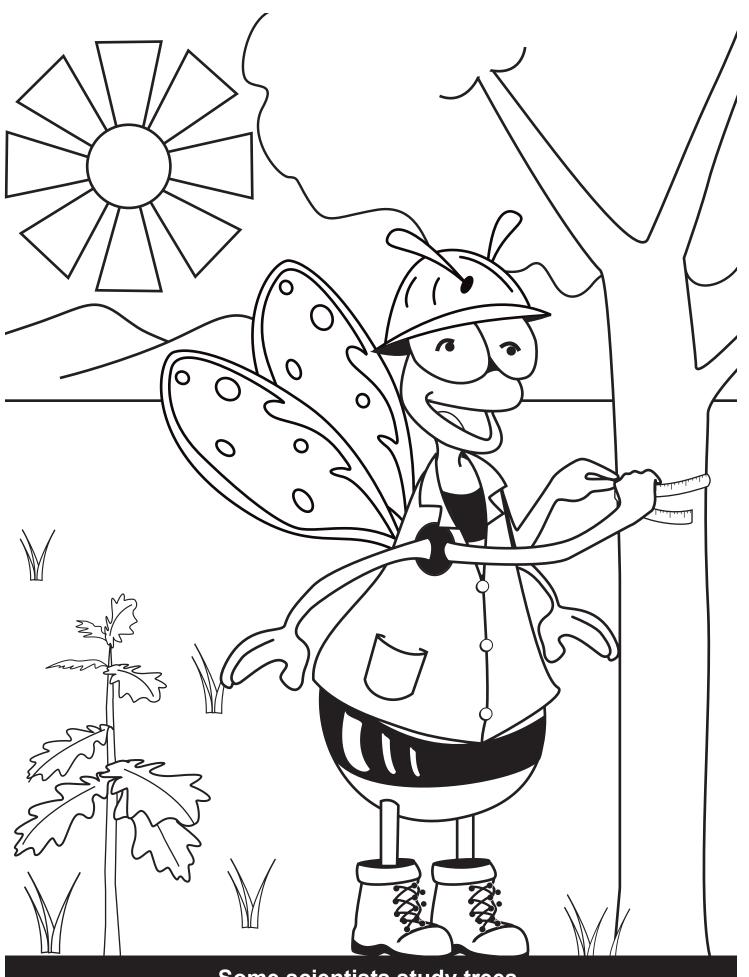


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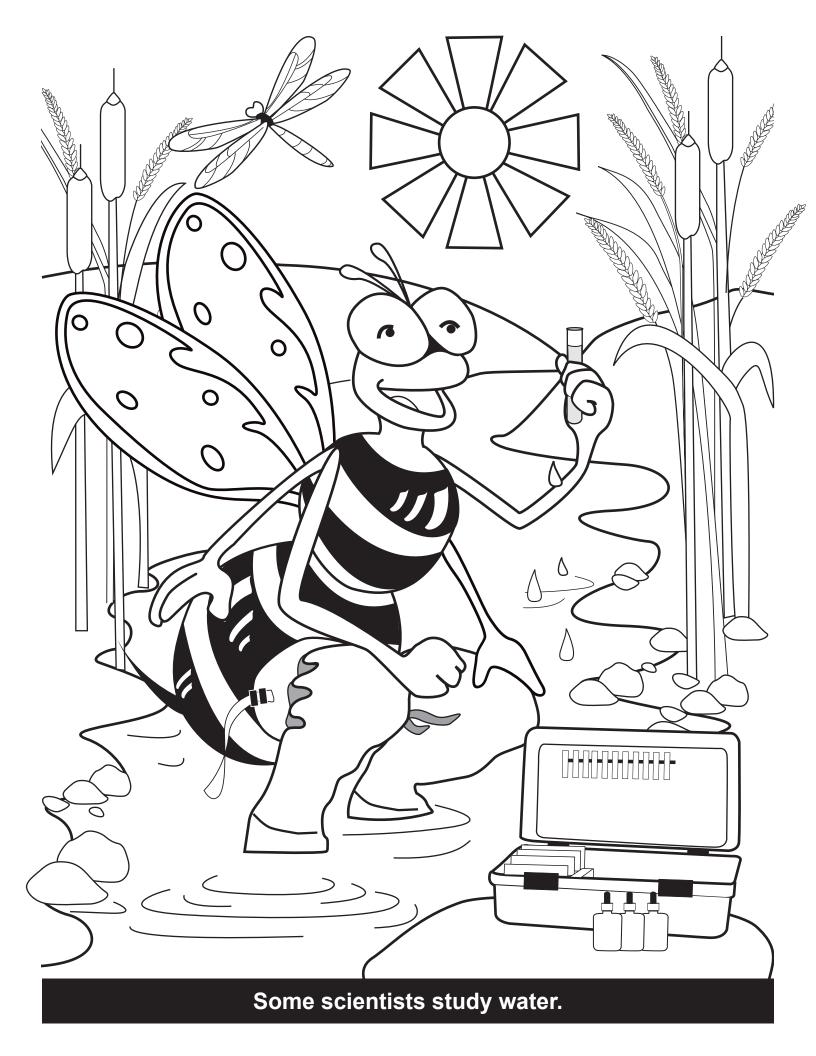


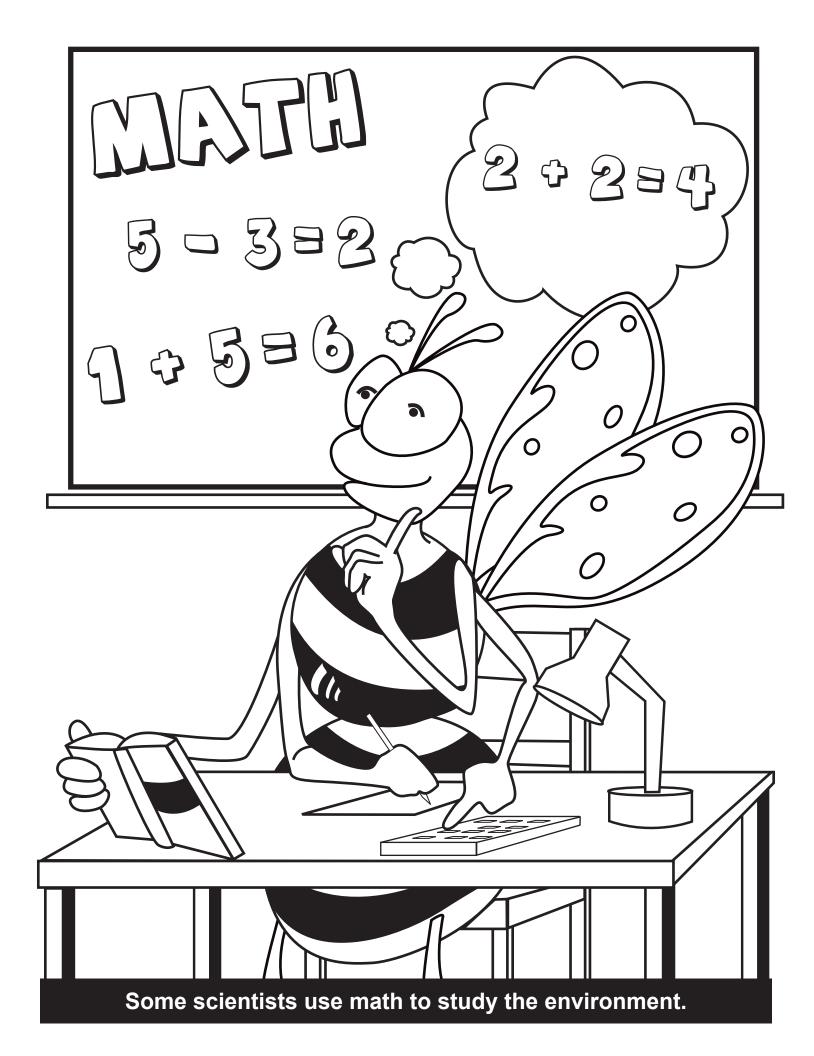
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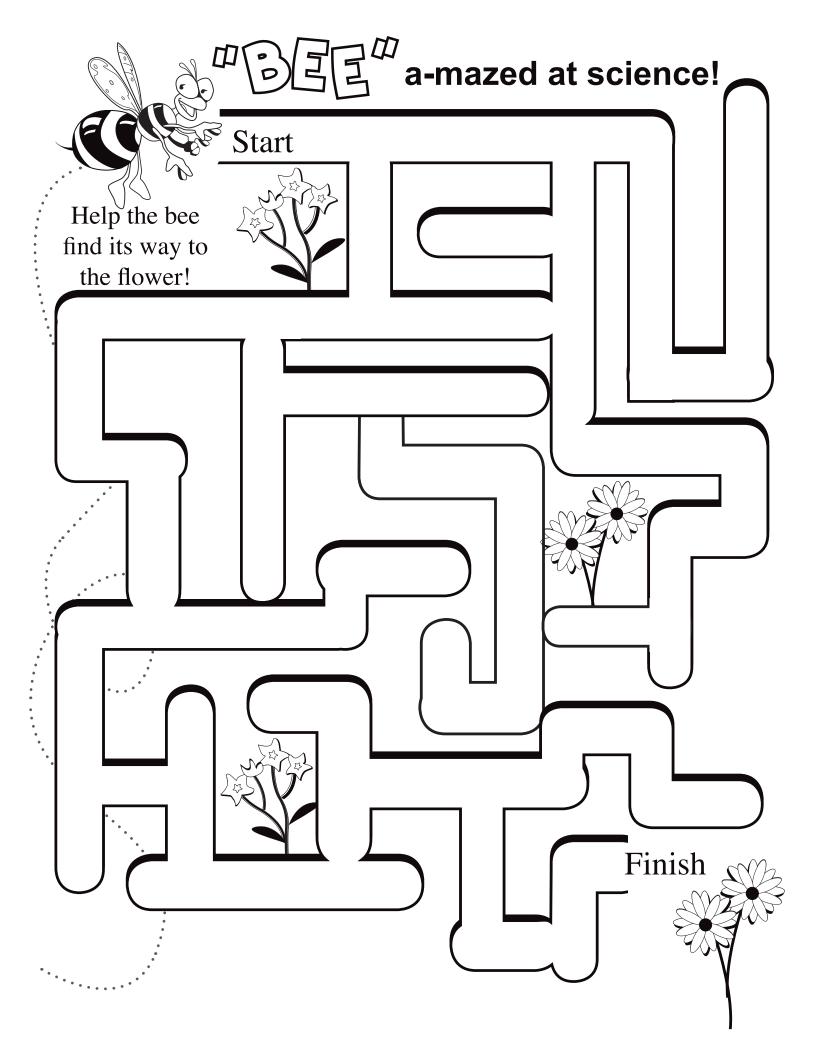




Some scientists study trees.









# What is the Cradle of Forestry in America Interpretive Association?

The Cradle of Forestry in America Interpretive Association is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Pisgah Forest, North Carolina. The interpretive association strives to help people better understand ecology through recreation and education opportunities. Their products include the following:

- Campground and recreation area management.
- Educational programs and services, including *Natural Inquirer, Investi-gator, Natural IQ, Natural Inquirer* Reader Series, *Leaf Prints*, and scientist cards (http://www.naturalinquirer.org).
  - Sales of forest-related gifts and education materials.
    - Workshops, newsletters, and publications.
  - Partnership with the Forest Service to provide programming at the Cradle of Forestry Historic Site. http://www.cfaia.org



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