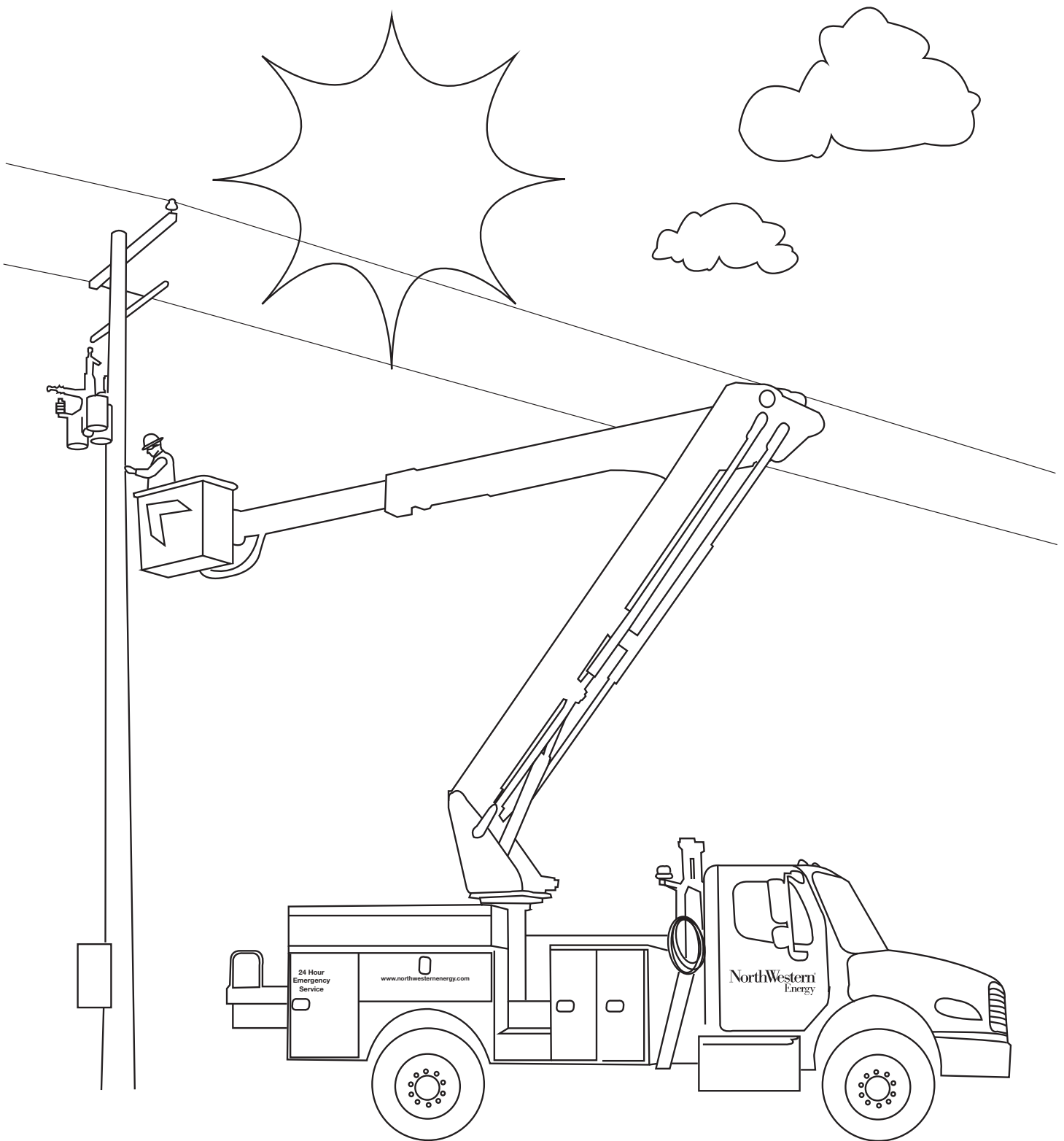


Coloring Book

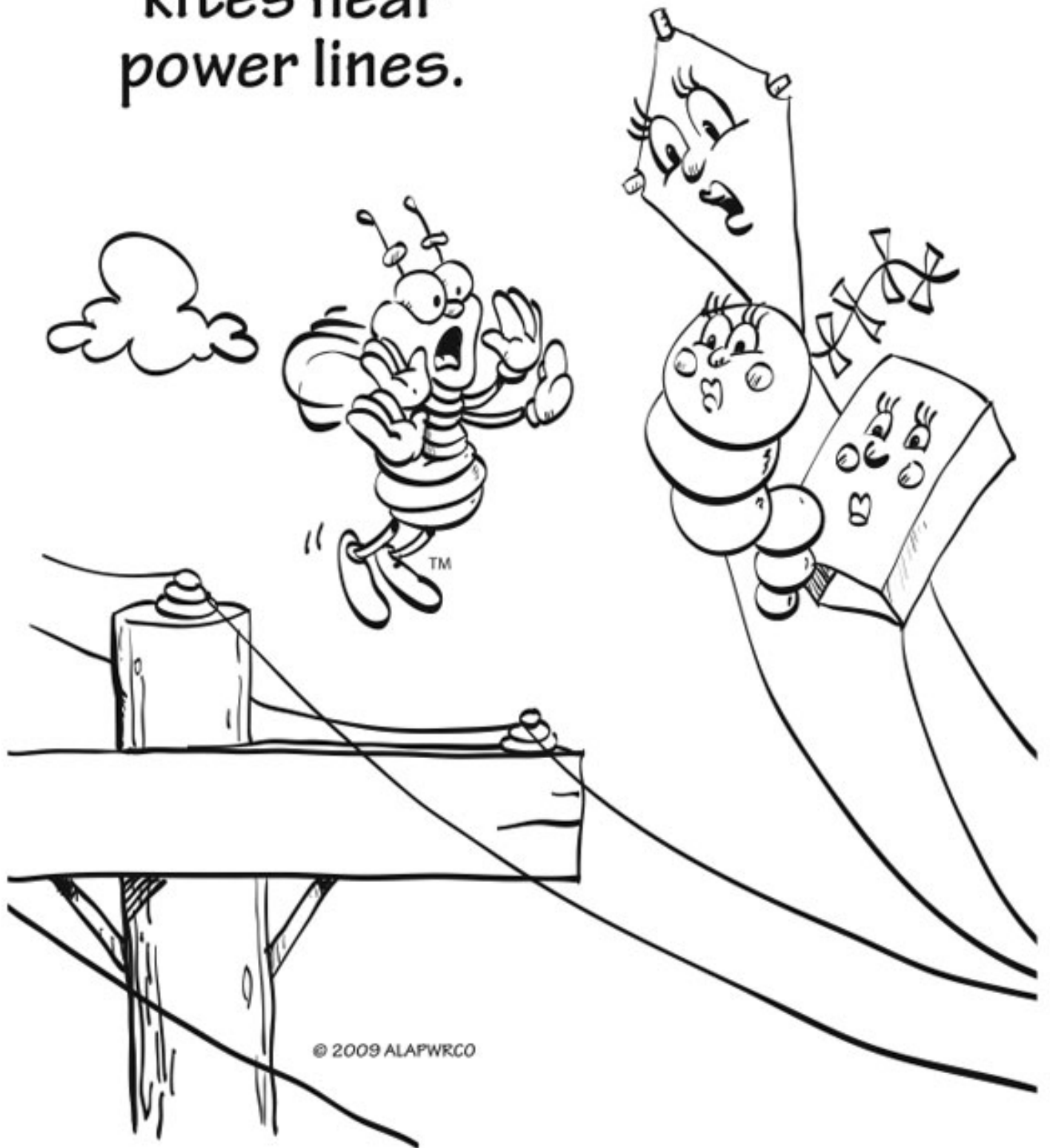
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Delivering a Bright Future



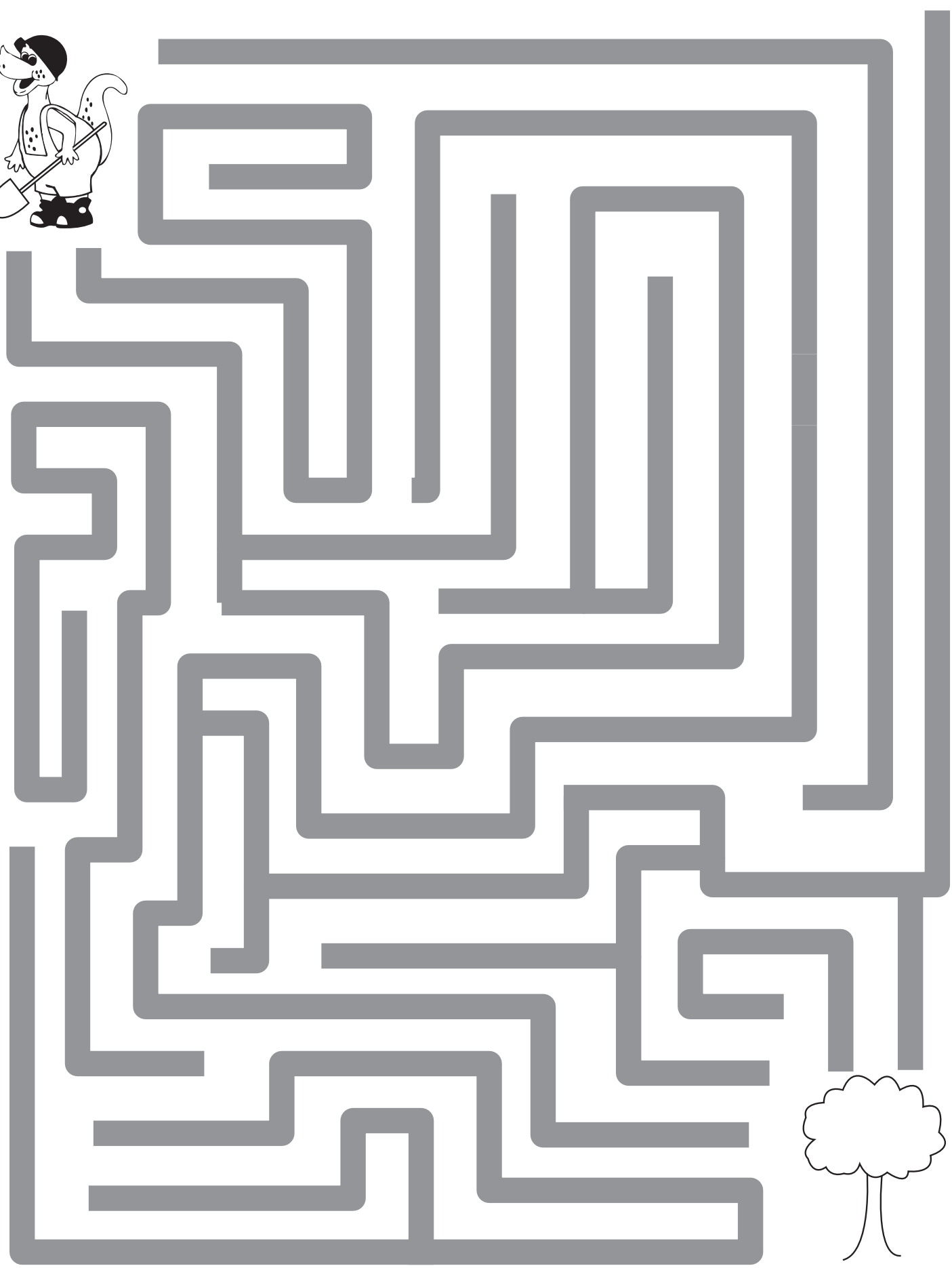
Line crews use bucket trucks with boom lifts to perform work. NorthWestern Energy has over 115 bucket trucks in South Dakota and Montana. Bucket trucks are a very important part of the fleet. Before bucket trucks linemen were climbing poles to install power and do repairs. Bucket trucks are designed to keep line workers safe and carry all of the tools necessary to do the job.

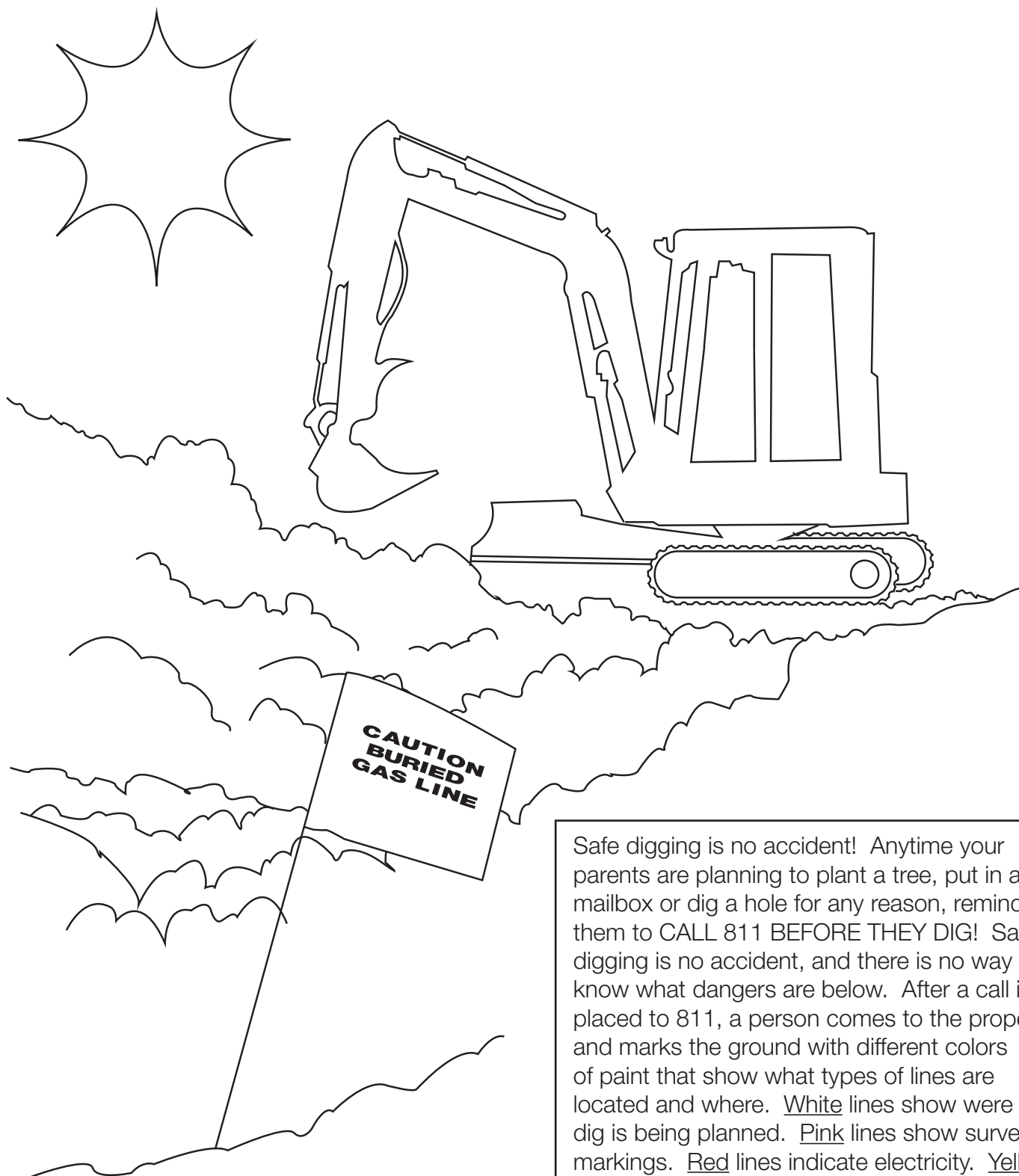
Never fly
kites near
power lines.



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Help Sniffy safely dig around utility lines when he plants his tree

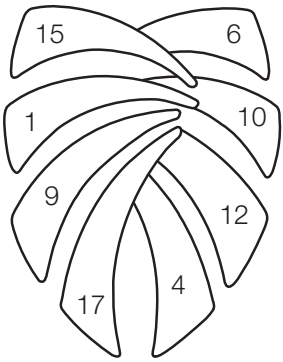




Safe digging is no accident! Anytime your parents are planning to plant a tree, put in a mailbox or dig a hole for any reason, remind them to CALL 811 BEFORE THEY DIG! Safe digging is no accident, and there is no way to know what dangers are below. After a call is placed to 811, a person comes to the property and marks the ground with different colors of paint that show what types of lines are located and where. White lines show where the dig is being planned. Pink lines show survey markings. Red lines indicate electricity. Yellow lines are for natural gas and similar gaseous materials. Orange is for communication lines like cable, internet and telephone. Blue indicates water lines. Purple shows irrigation pipes. Last, green is for sewer and drain lines. Anytime you know someone is planning to dig, remind them to call 811. It keeps everyone safe, and it's the law!



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**



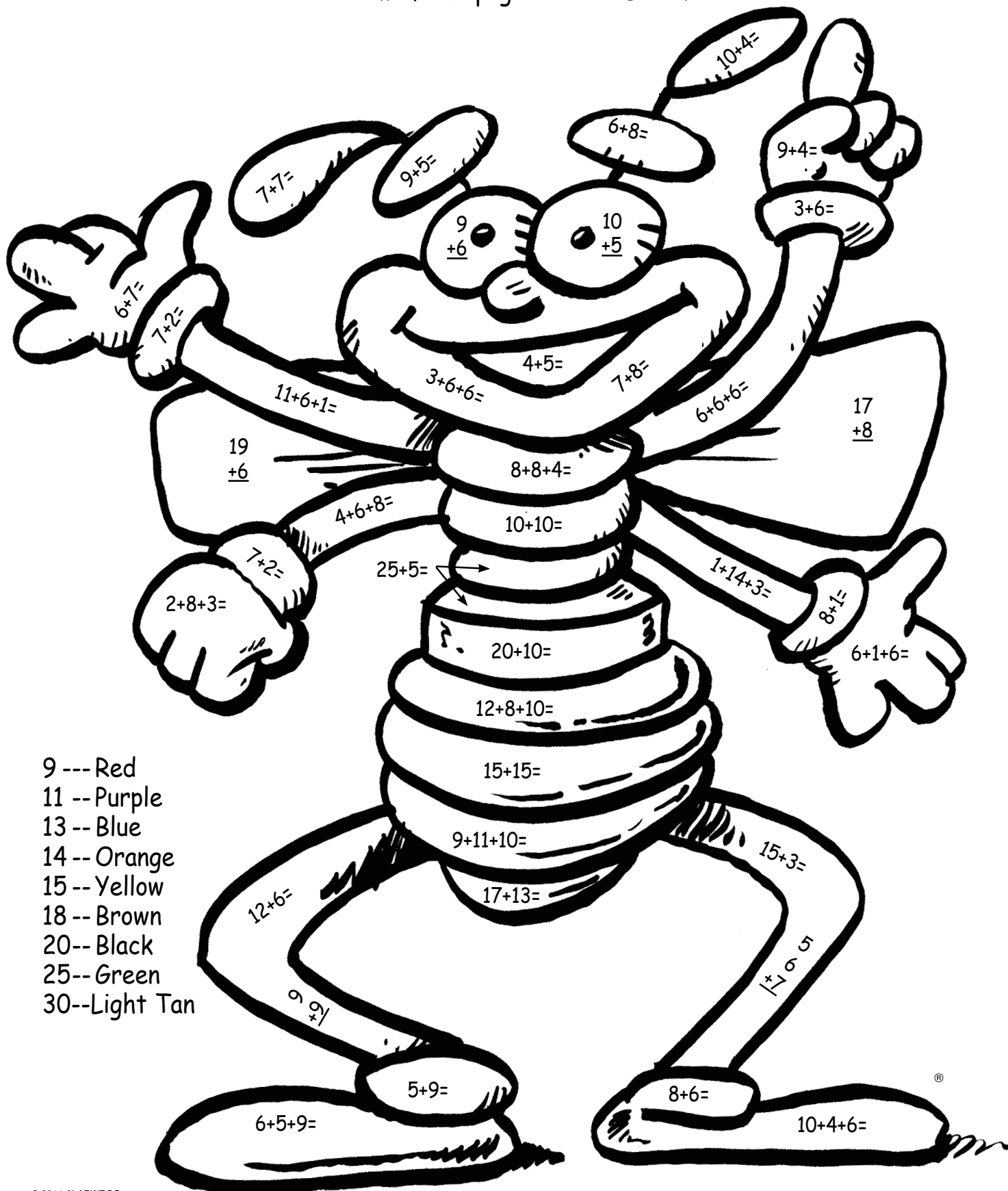
*Color all EVEN numbered spaces RED
Color all ODD numbered spaces BLUE*

RU Safe Community Tips for Kids:

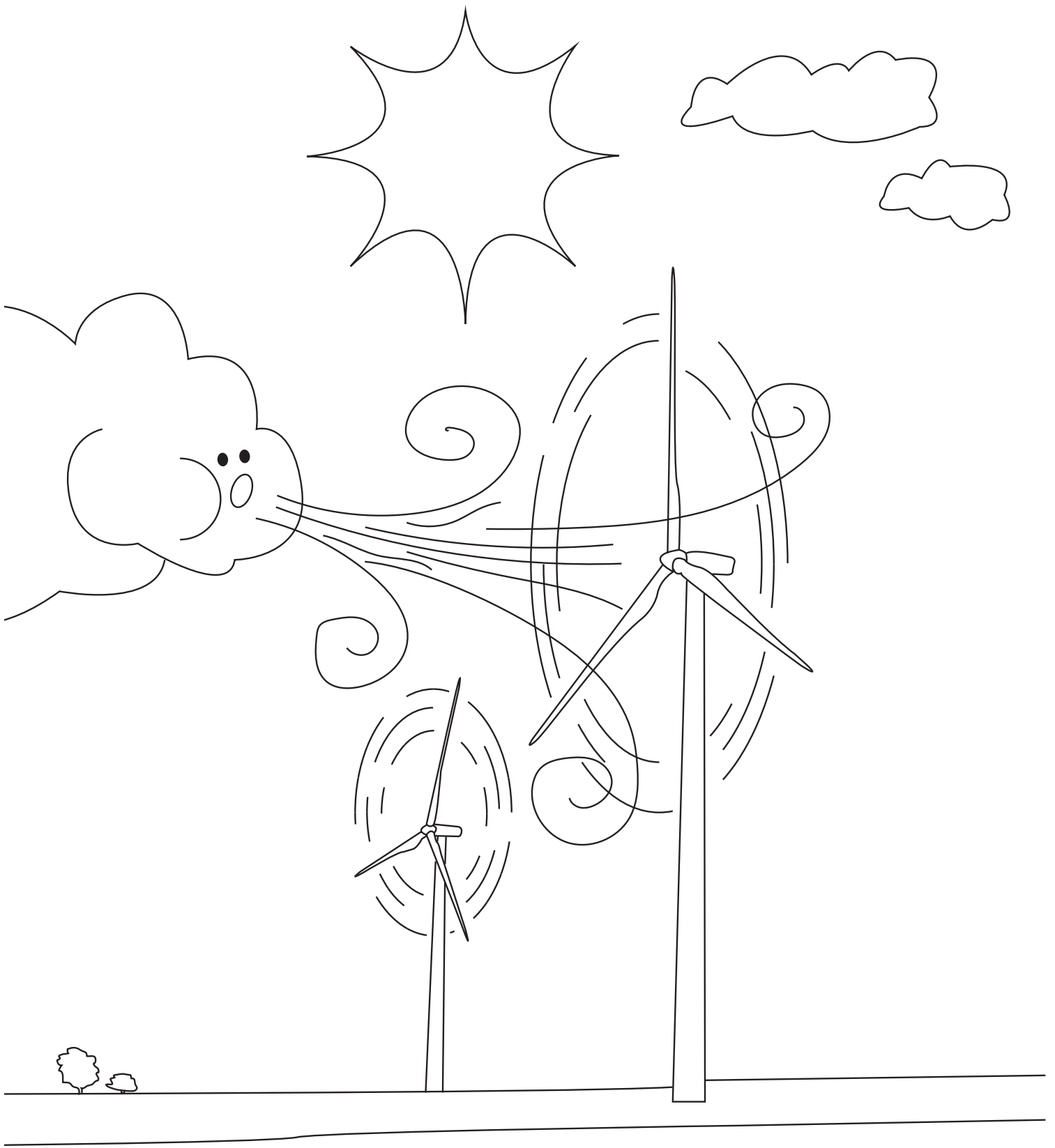
- Know your name, address, and phone number(s).
- Learn how and when to call 911.
- If you are scared of someone, RUN to safety.
- Don't let anyone on the phone, or at the door, know that you are home alone.
- Avoid shortcuts when you are walking from one place to another. Use the "Buddy System"- always stay with friends.
- Tell your parents, or a trusted adult, if someone is asking you to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable.
- Always ask your parents for permission before getting on the Internet.
- Never talk to people online without your parent's permission.

MEET LOUIE!

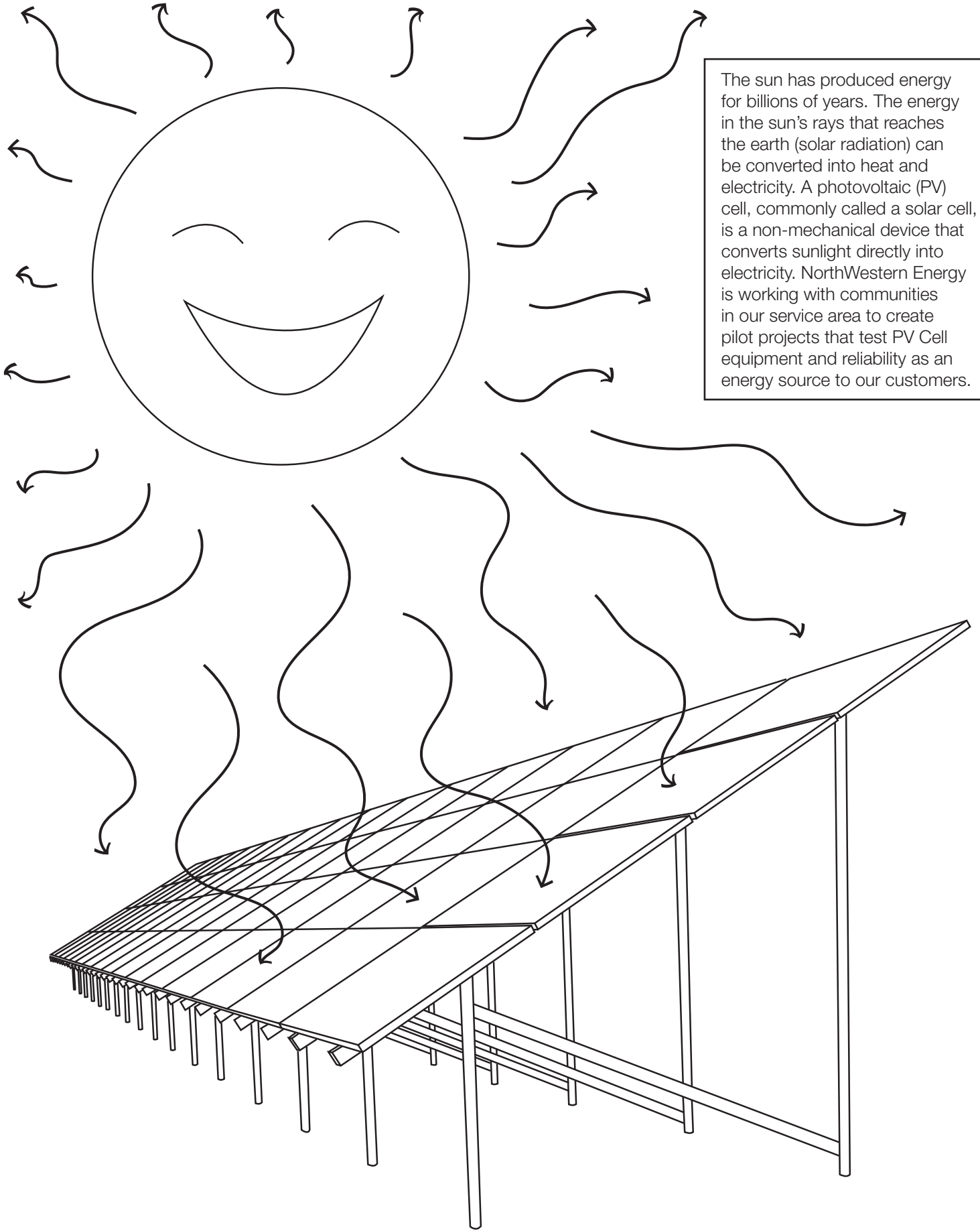
Complete all the addition problems. Check your answers. Use the color code at the bottom of the page to color Louie.



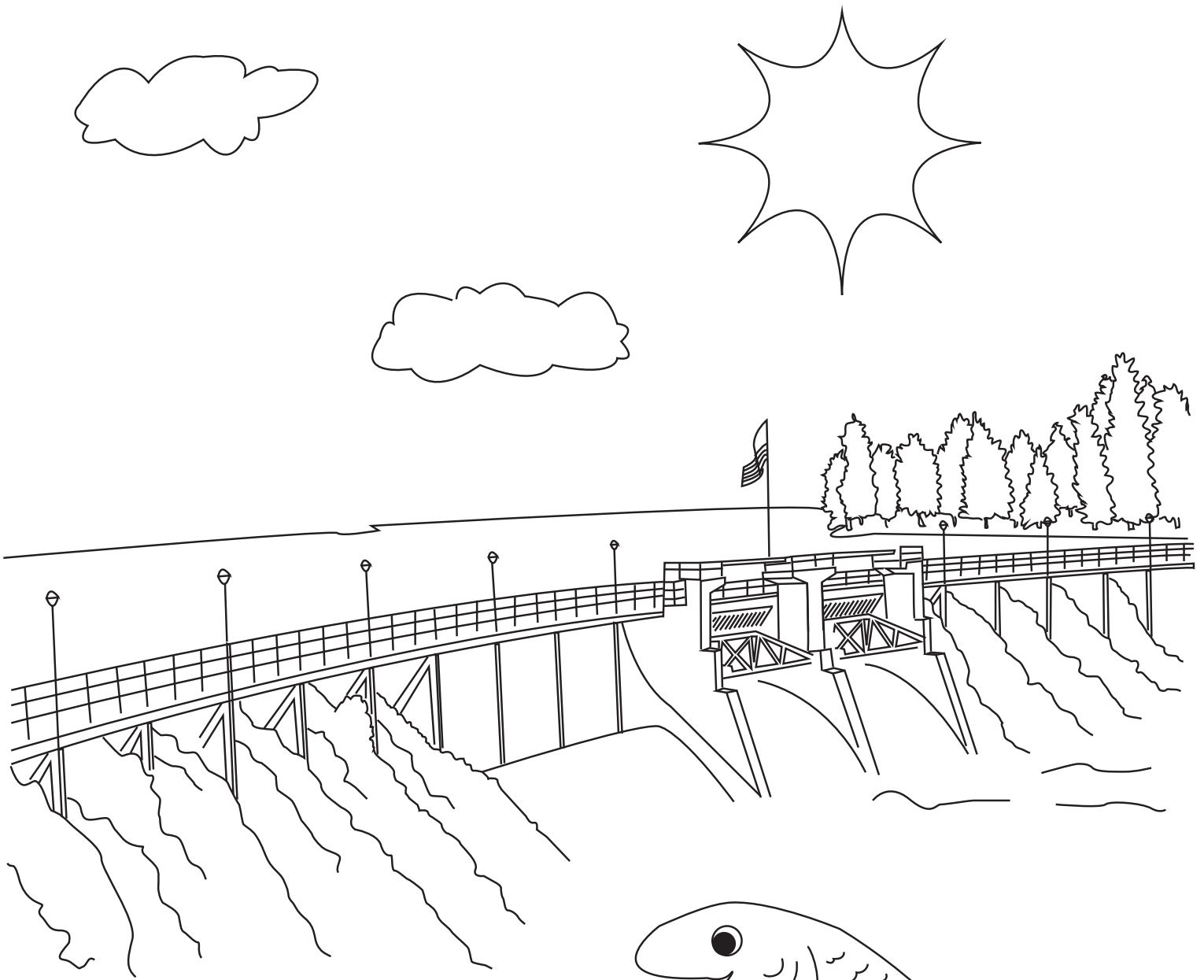
- 9 --- Red
- 11 -- Purple
- 13 -- Blue
- 14 -- Orange
- 15 -- Yellow
- 18 -- Brown
- 20 -- Black
- 25 -- Green
- 30 -- Light Tan



Wind power makes up a big piece of the NorthWestern Energy pie when it comes to energy produced. We produce 226MW (21% of our total energy production) of energy from wind farms like Beethoven in South Dakota and Spion Kop in Montana. Turbines rely on steady wind and temperatures above freezing to generate electricity.



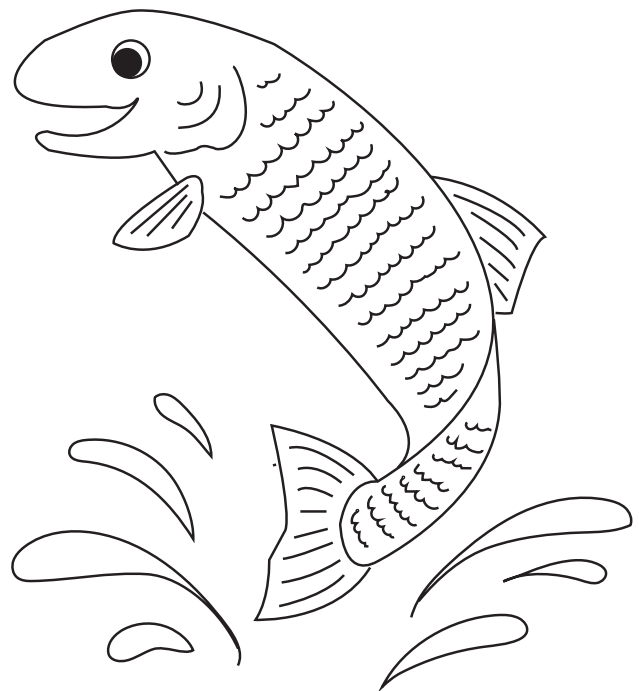
The sun has produced energy for billions of years. The energy in the sun's rays that reaches the earth (solar radiation) can be converted into heat and electricity. A photovoltaic (PV) cell, commonly called a solar cell, is a non-mechanical device that converts sunlight directly into electricity. NorthWestern Energy is working with communities in our service area to create pilot projects that test PV Cell equipment and reliability as an energy source to our customers.



Hydroelectric power from dams is one of the oldest and most reliable forms of carbon free energy. We operate eleven facilities located throughout Montana. Featured here is the Thompson Falls Dam located about 100 miles northwest of Missoula, which is a seven-unit hydroelectric plant on the Clark Fork River in Thompson Falls. The units have a total generating capacity of 94 megawatts. It is one of two dams located west of the continental divide.

Unique to this facility is a fish ladder that was constructed to help protect the threatened bull trout species that frequent this area. The fish will use the "ladder" to climb 75 feet to get over the dam safely.

The reservoirs and rivers around dams are often popular recreational areas with fishing access and boating. Remember, if you and your family are out enjoying these areas, you should get away from the water quickly if you hear a loud siren.





PLAN WHERE YOU PLANT



#NWETREES

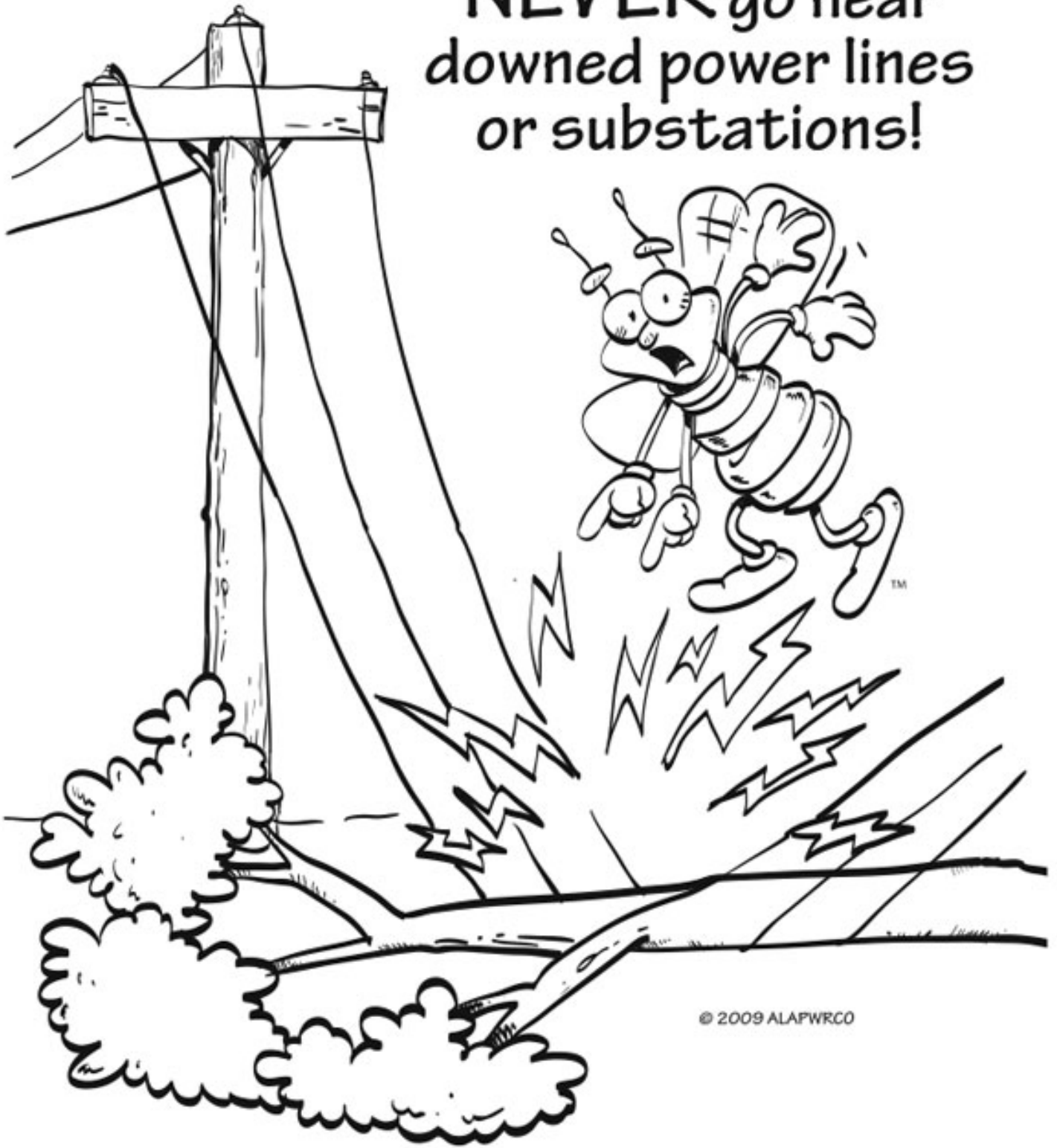
Energy Word Search

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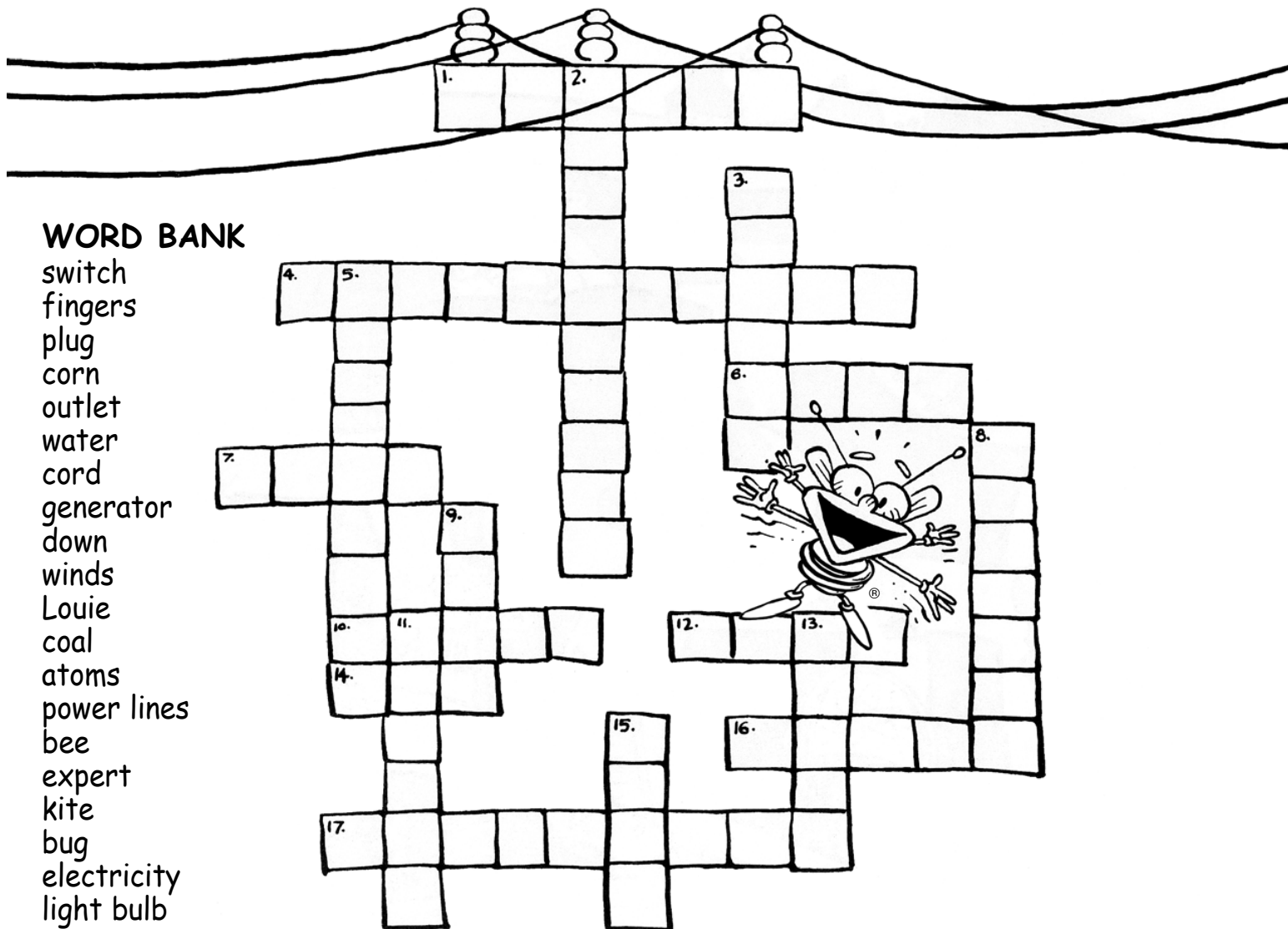
PIPELINE
POWER
POWER LINE
SAFETY
SOCKET
SWITCH
WIRES

NEVER go near
downed power lines
or substations!



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use the clues and the word bank to complete the crossword puzzle.



WORD BANK

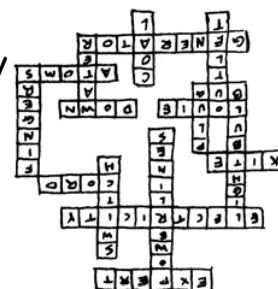
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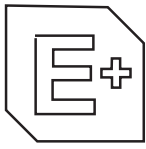
ACROSS

1. What is Louie on safety and electricity?
4. Louie teaches us about this.
6. A plug should never be pulled out of this.
7. Never fly this around power lines.
10. Our lightning bug's first name.
12. When power lines are like this don't hang around.
14. What is Louie?
16. Nuclear plants produce electricity by splitting these.
17. What actually makes the electricity?

DOWN

2. Never climb trees around these.
3. What turns on a light?
5. Electricity makes this burn.
8. These should never be put in an outlet.
9. The only thing that should go in outlets.
11. Overloading this with too many plugs can be very dangerous.
13. What turns the turbine in hydroelectricity?
15. Electricity is made by burning this.

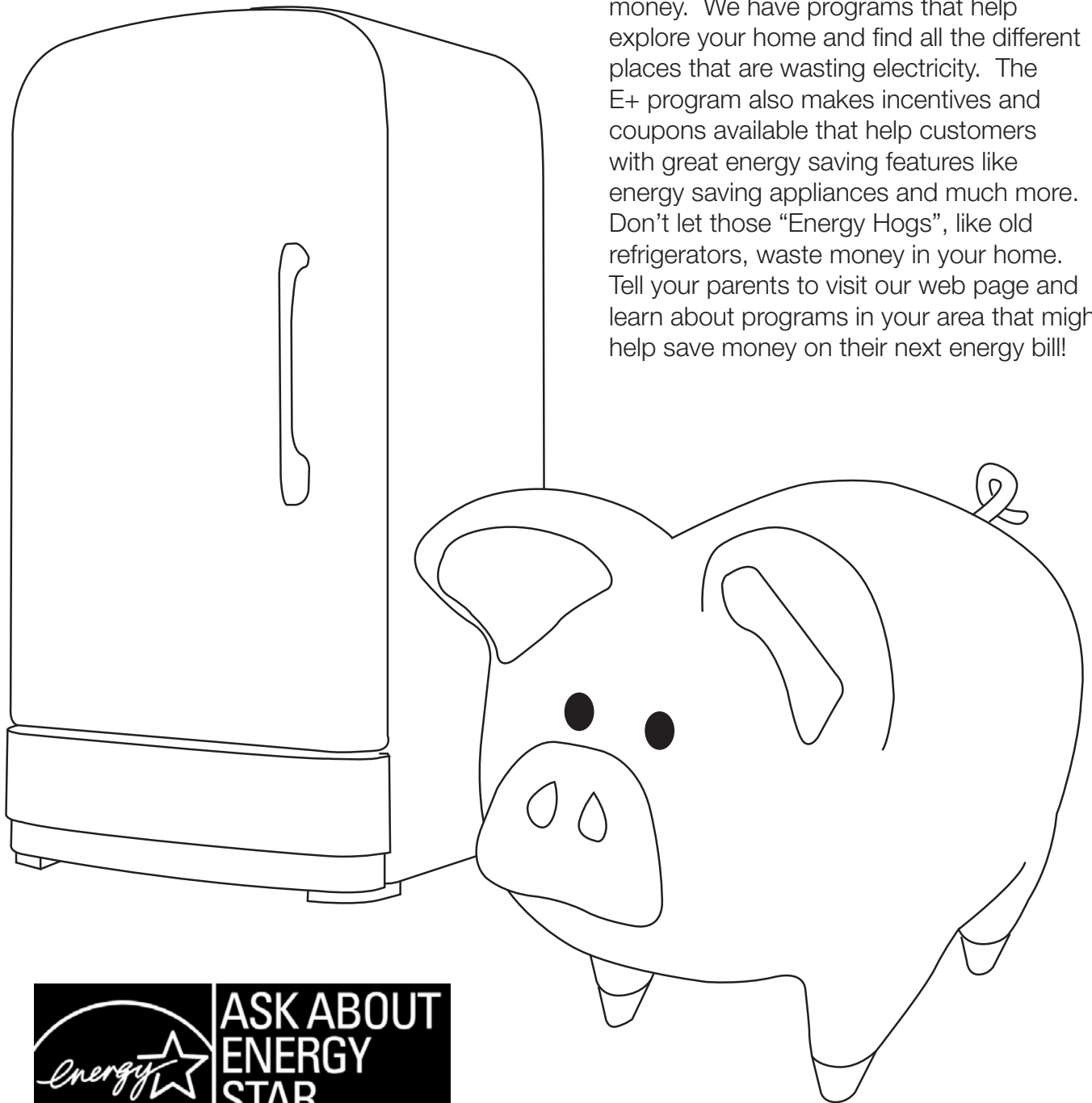




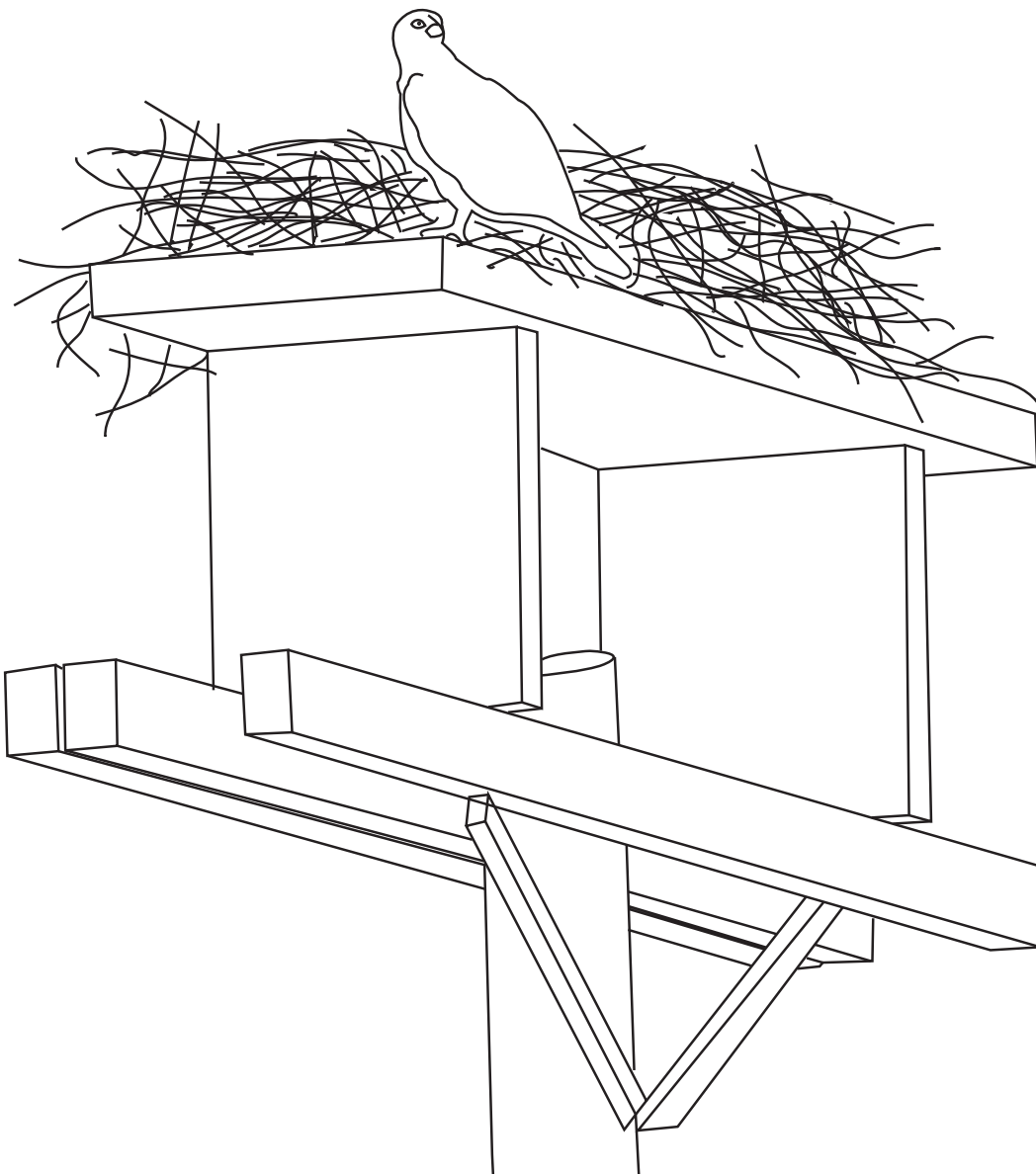
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Efficiency Plus

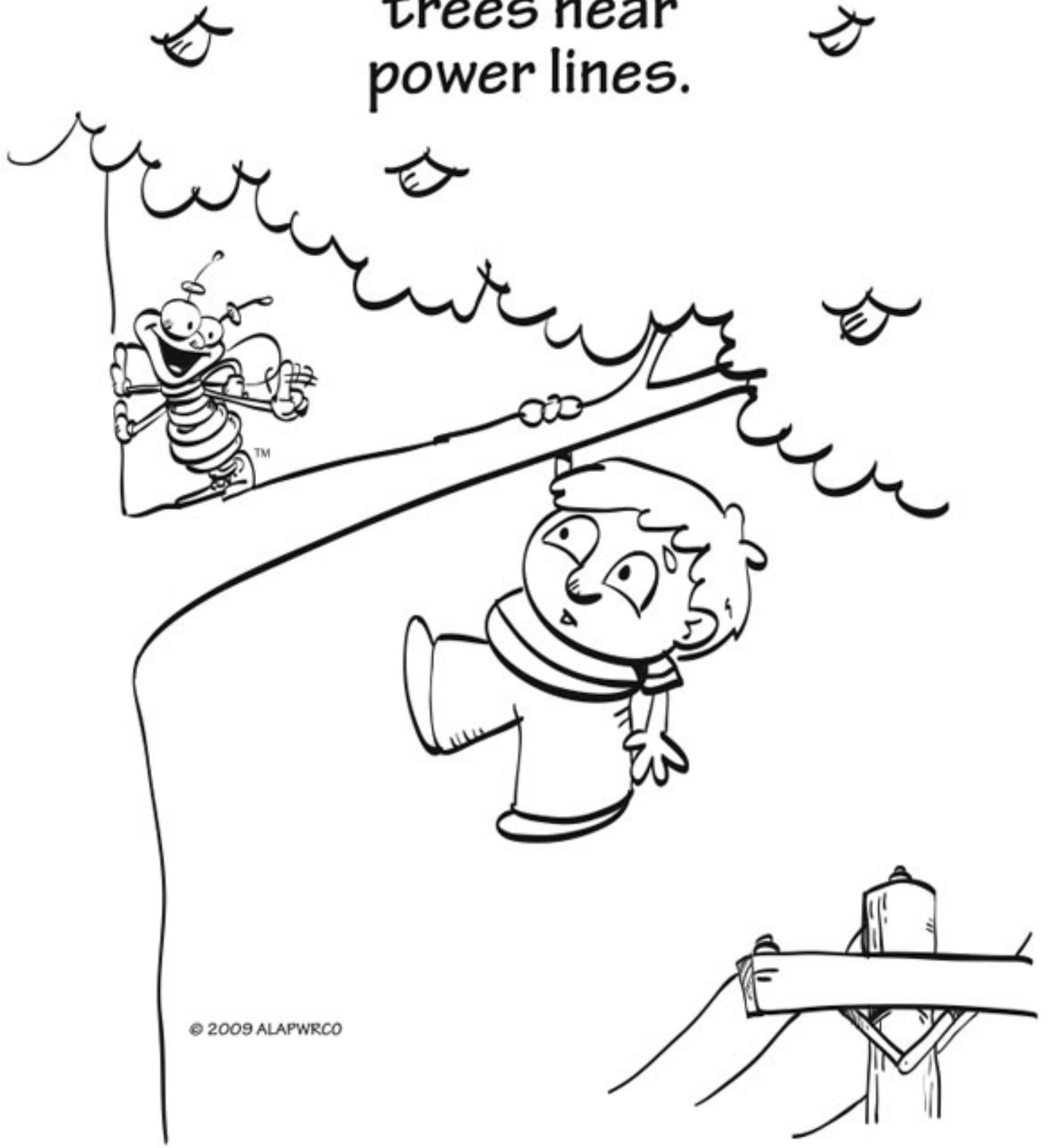
NorthWestern Energy created the Efficiency Plus (E+) brand to teach customers how to reduce their use and save energy and money. We have programs that help explore your home and find all the different places that are wasting electricity. The E+ program also makes incentives and coupons available that help customers with great energy saving features like energy saving appliances and much more. Don't let those "Energy Hogs", like old refrigerators, waste money in your home. Tell your parents to visit our web page and learn about programs in your area that might help save money on their next energy bill!



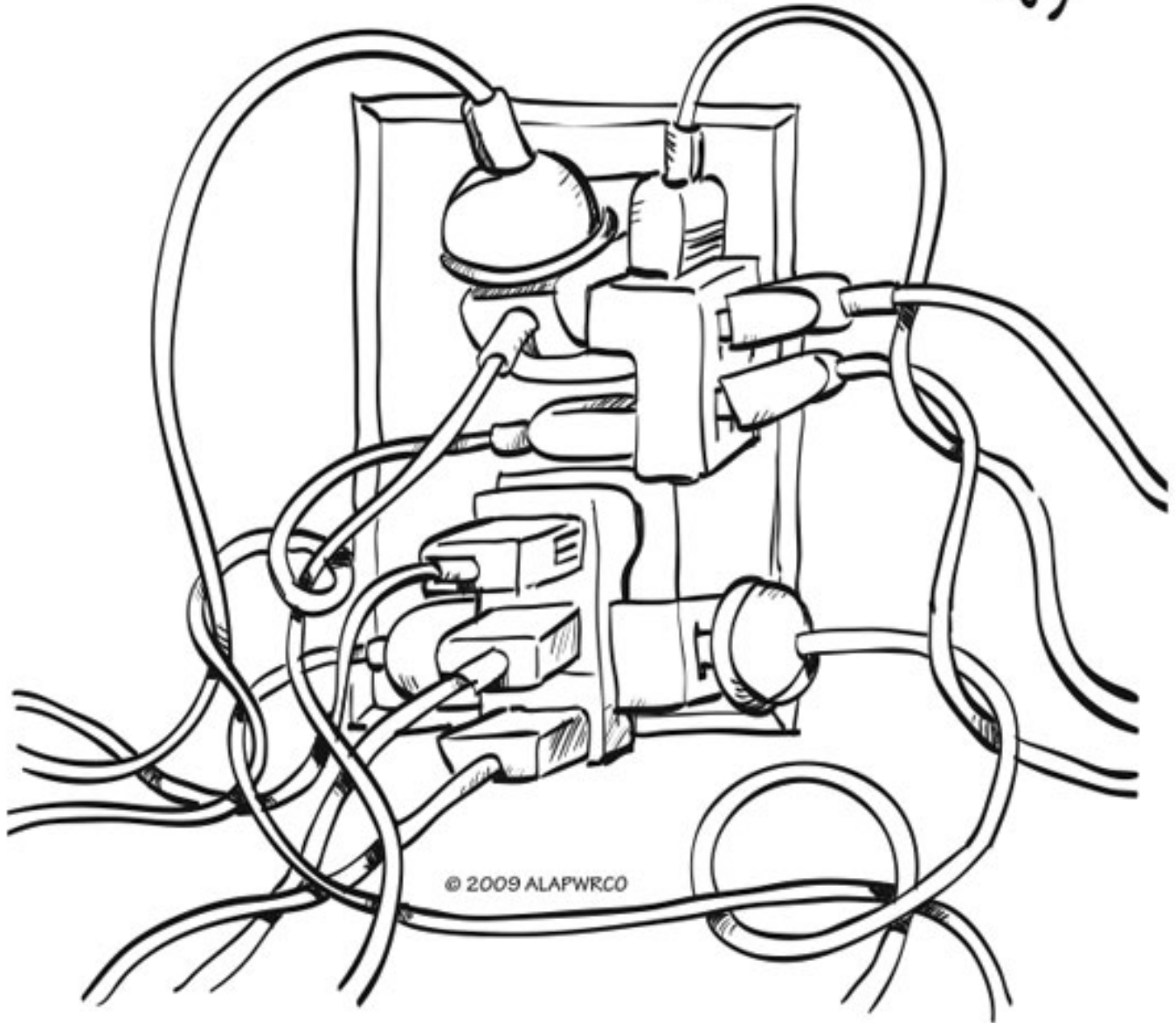
Osprey are majestic raptors that are known to build nests on power poles. We work with wildlife officials to build special stands to help keep the birds safe from electrocution. We also work to educate the public about keeping birds like osprey safe against the dangers of baling twine that the birds are attracted to but can hurt them and cause strangulation.



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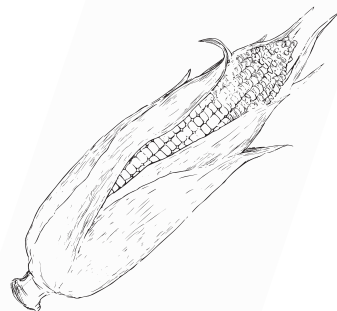
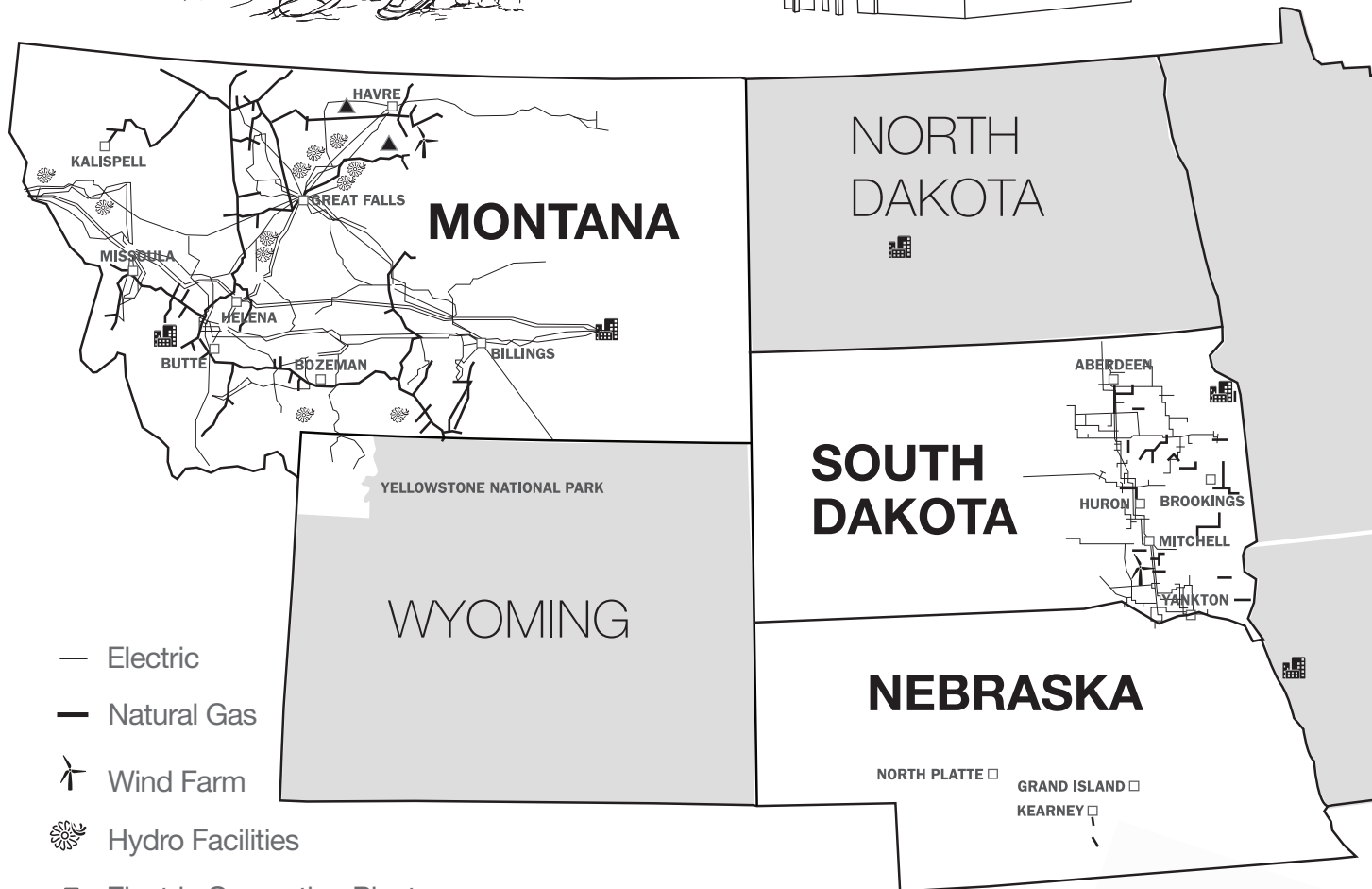


Never overload
outlets with too
many plugs.



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For more than 100 years, NorthWestern Energy has delivered the energy and exceptional service that our customers and communities count on – safely, efficiently and responsibly. We have natural gas and electric operations.



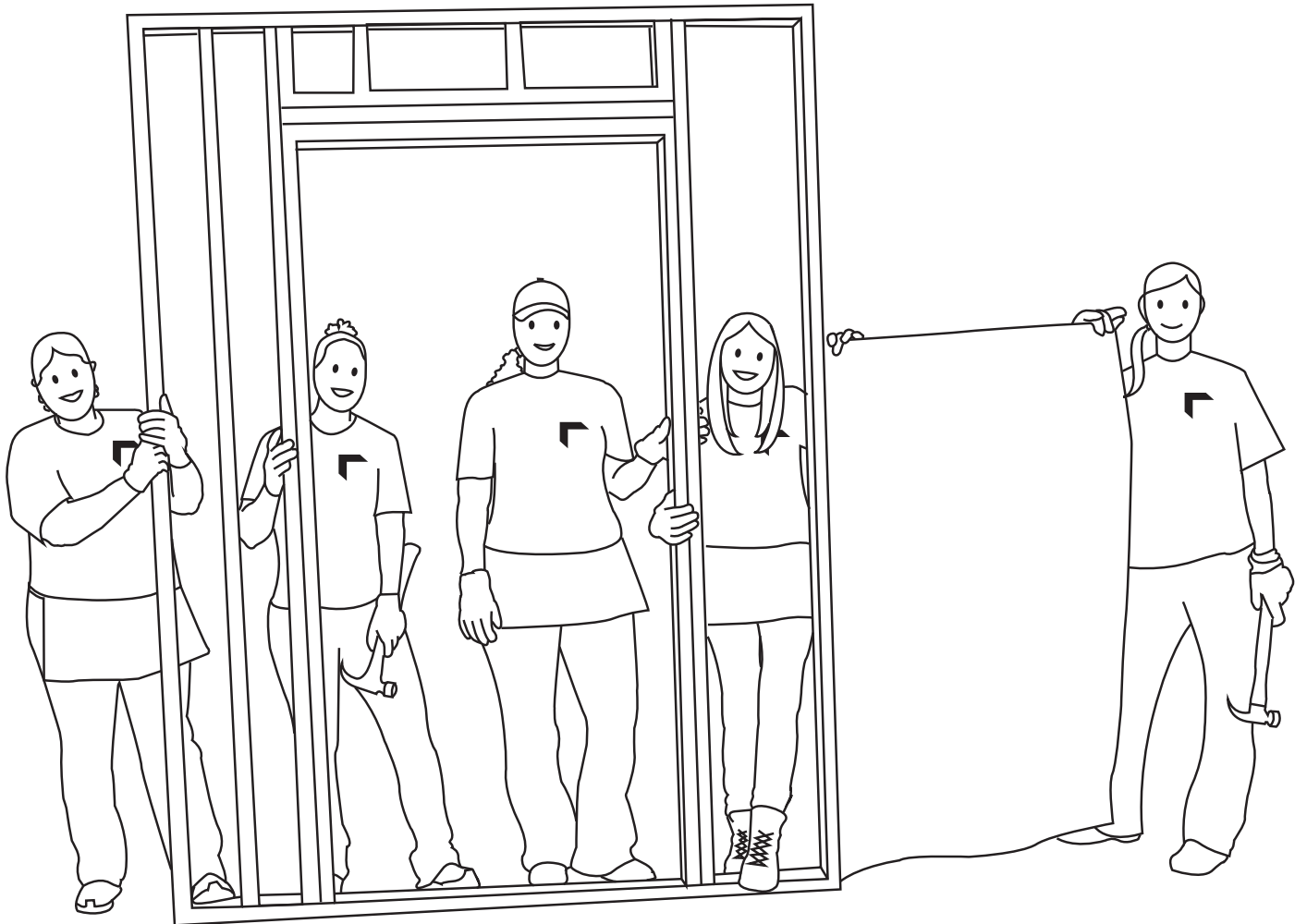
Our regulated electricity utility business in Montana includes generation, transmission and distribution. Our service territory covers approximately 107,600 square miles or about 73% of Montana’s land area. Our South Dakota electric utility business operates as a vertically integrated generation transmission and distribution utility. We have the exclusive right to serve an area in South Dakota comprised of 25 counties.

In Montana, we have natural gas production, storage transmission and distribution. We provide natural gas to 60 South Dakota communities. In Nebraska, we provide natural gas service to four communities.



NORTHWESTERN ENERGY'S

Community Works



NorthWestern Energy is a community within many communities. We are more than 1,600 individuals working collectively to build stronger communities in Montana, Nebraska and South Dakota through the production, generation and delivery of electricity and natural gas. Our employees are always looking for opportunities to volunteer their time to strengthen our communities. You can color these employees as they wear red volunteer shirts and volunteer to build a home for Habitat for Humanity in one of our communities.

Draw your own safety message here!



Promoting safety and efficiency is an important part of NorthWestern Energy's public service commitment. NorthWestern attempts to prevent all accidents by doing our best to warn people of the potential dangers of working or playing near electric and natural gas lines and facilities. These books are not available for sale.

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