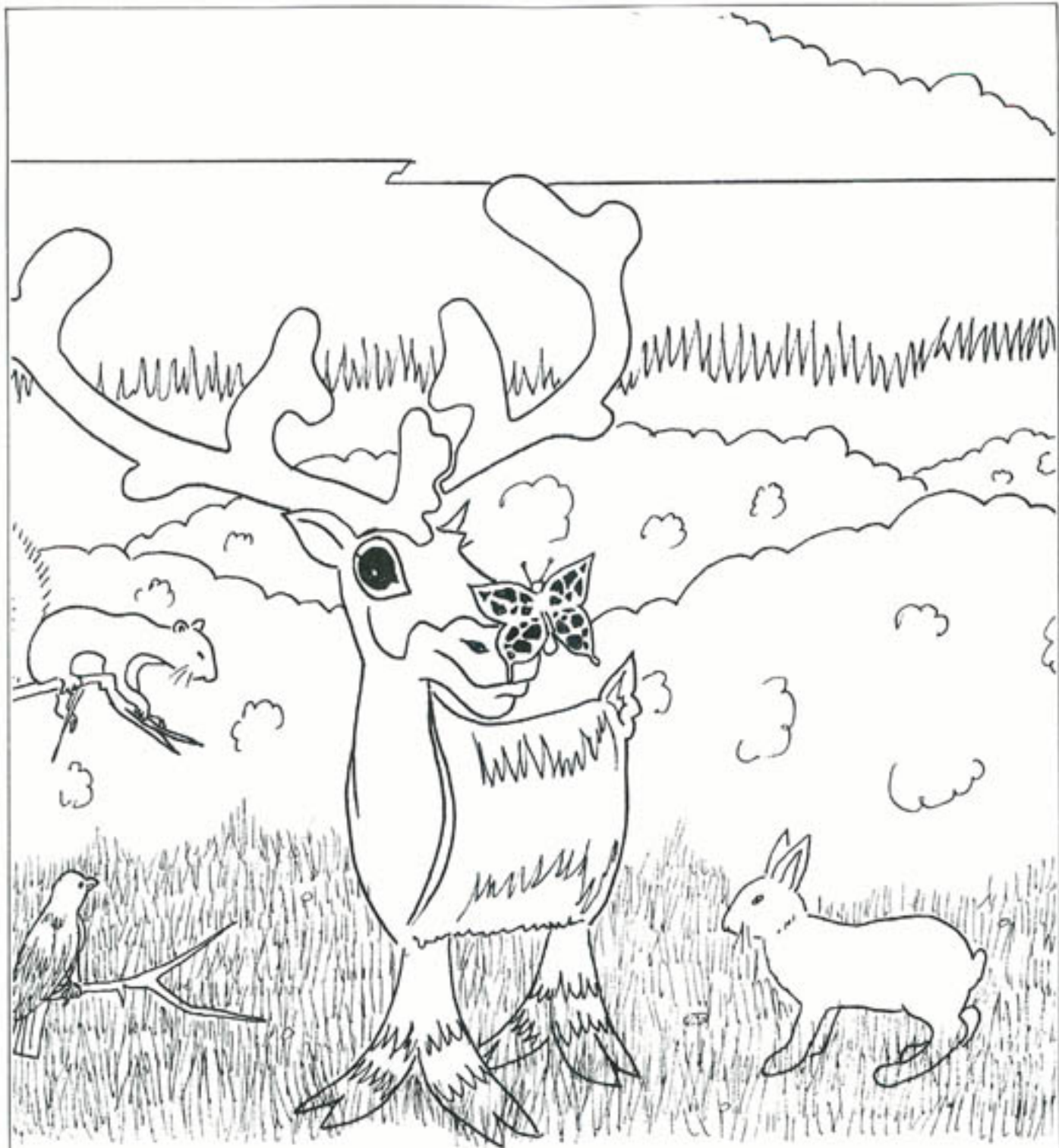


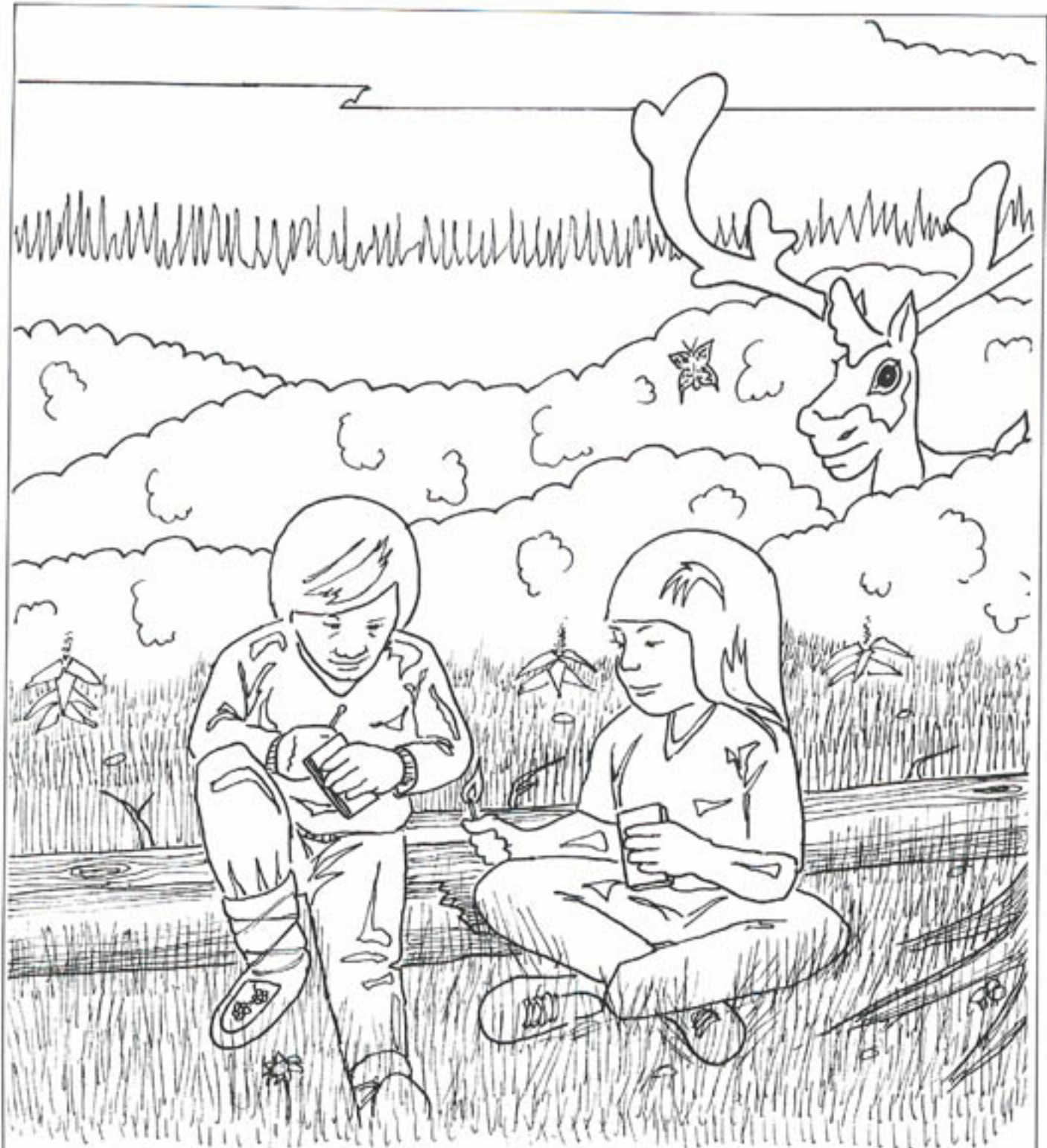
Forest Fire Prevention Coloring Book

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"Tuktu"
the Caribou

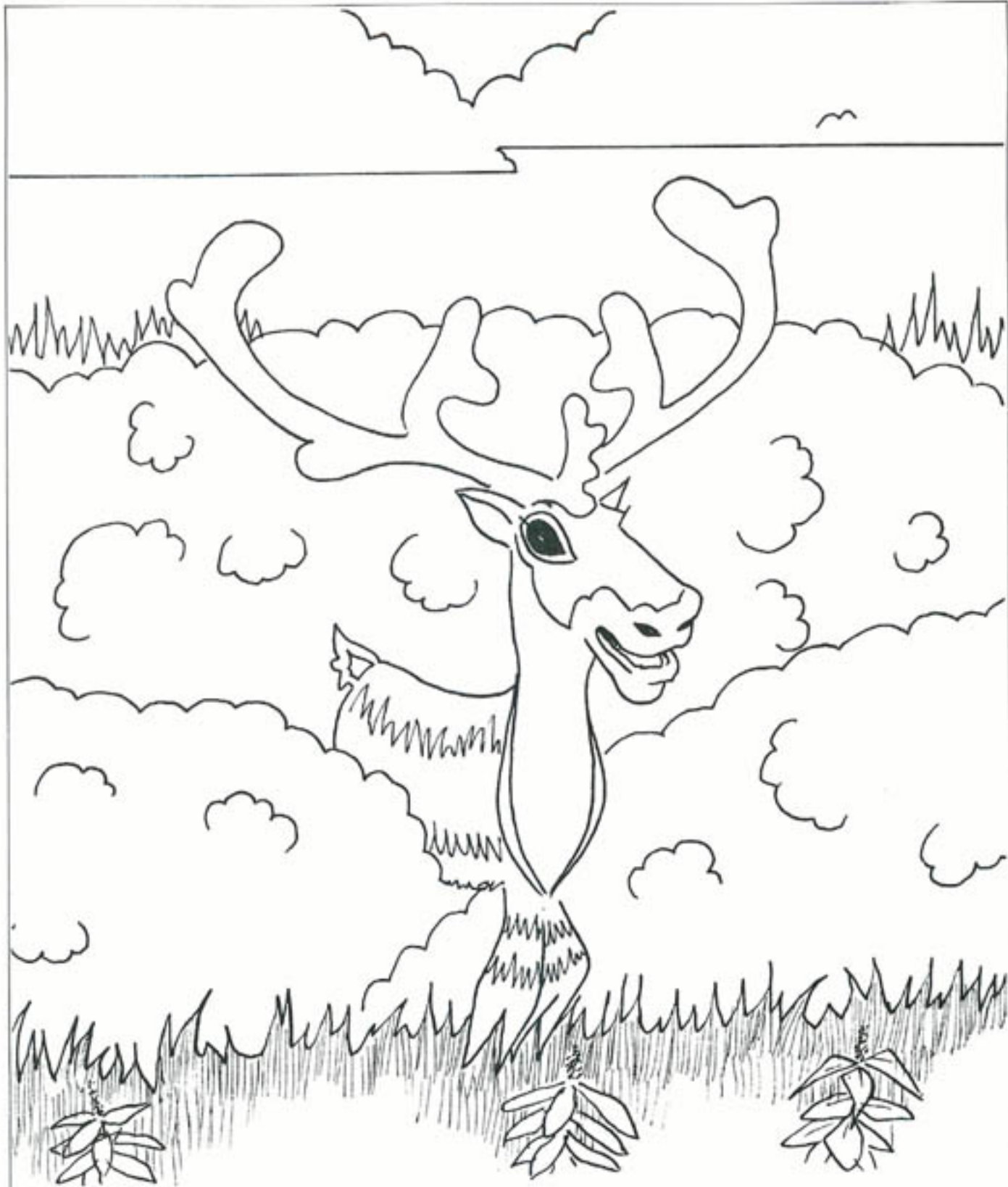




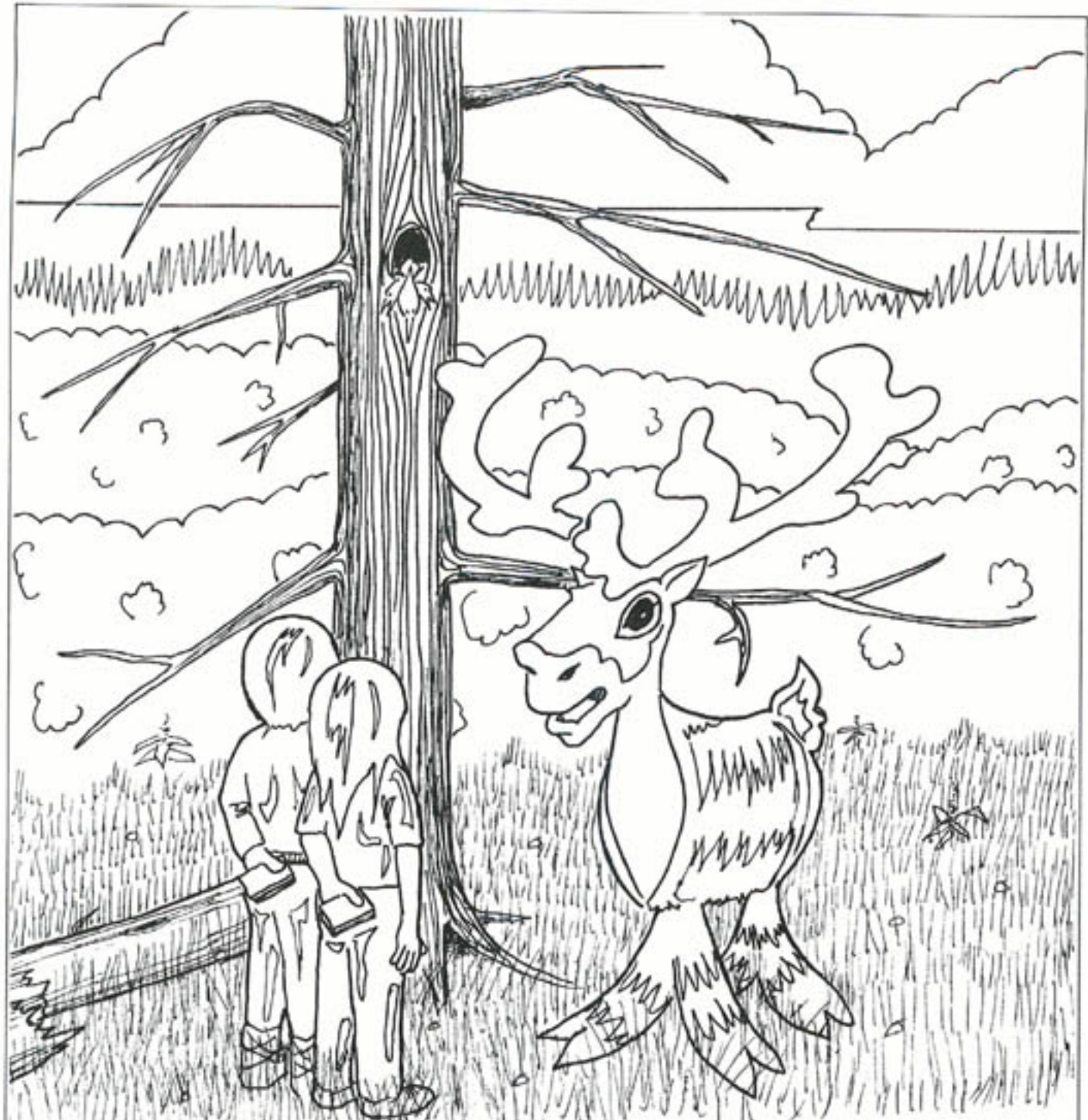
One very hot summer afternoon, Tuktu the Caribou went for a stroll through the forest, pausing to visit his friends as he went along. It was a beautiful day.



Suddenly, he came upon two children playing with matches in a large meadow of very dry grass. They were sitting near some old logs. Tuktu knew he had to do something!



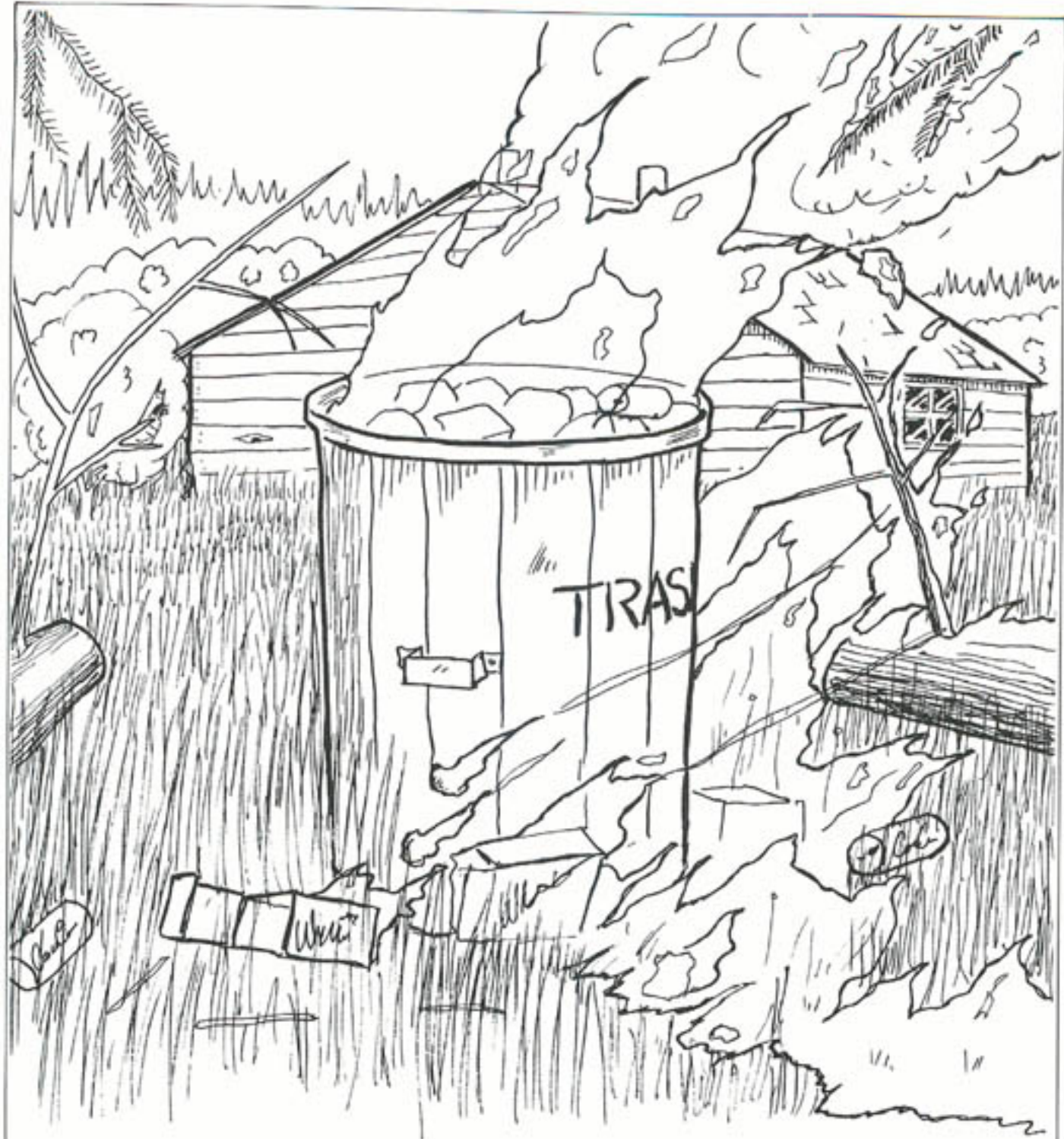
"Stop! Oh, please stop!" cried Tuktu.



"Don't you know what can happen when you are careless with fire in the forest?" asked Tuktu. "No," said the children. "Well, then let me tell you a story about two children who were careless with fire a long time ago."



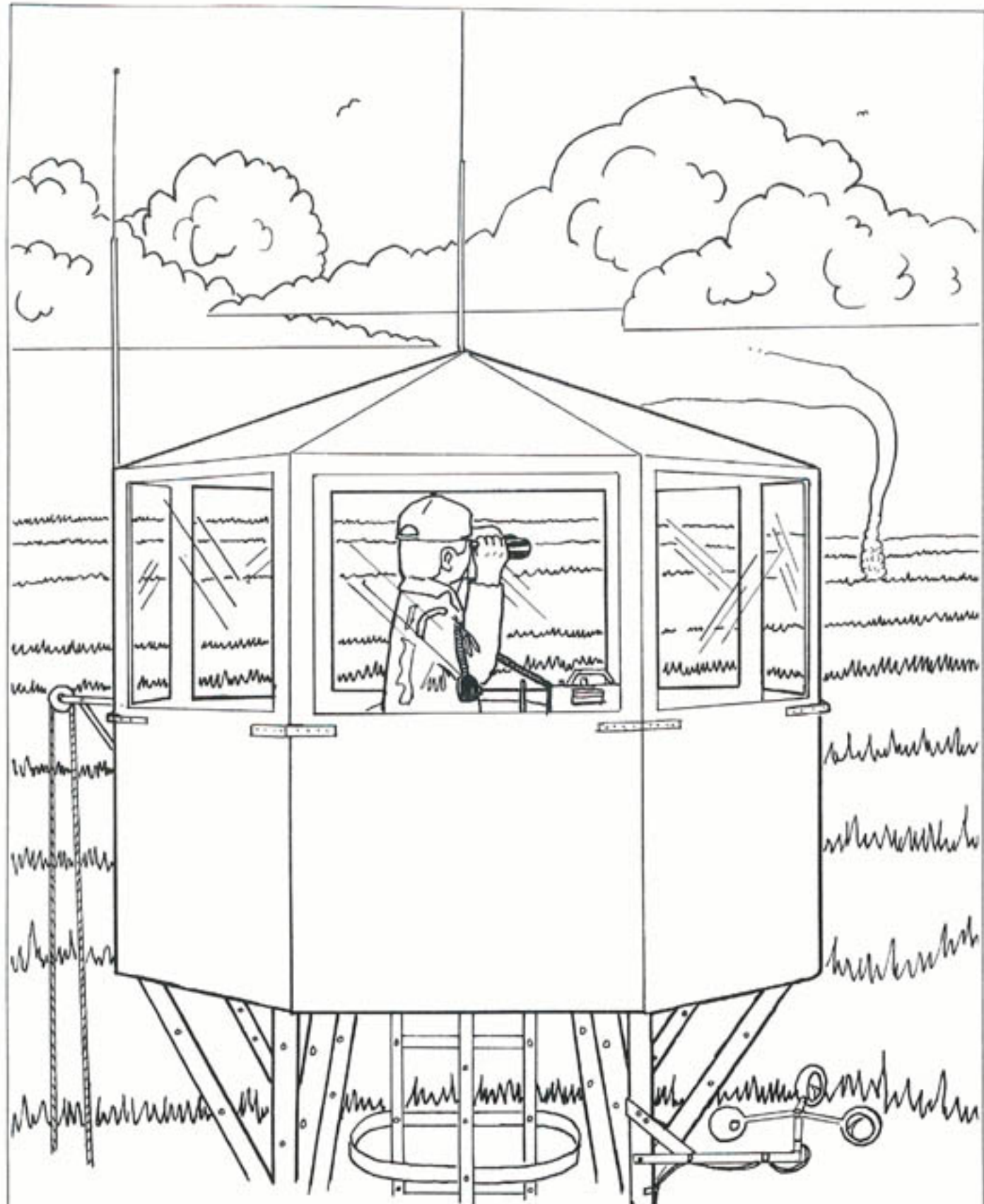
These children decided to burn the trash in the back yard behind their parents' cabin. Their parents were on the lake fishing nearby.



The back yard was littered with garbage, and the grass had not been cut for a long time. It was very hot so the children went to swim, leaving the fire. The fire spread quickly!

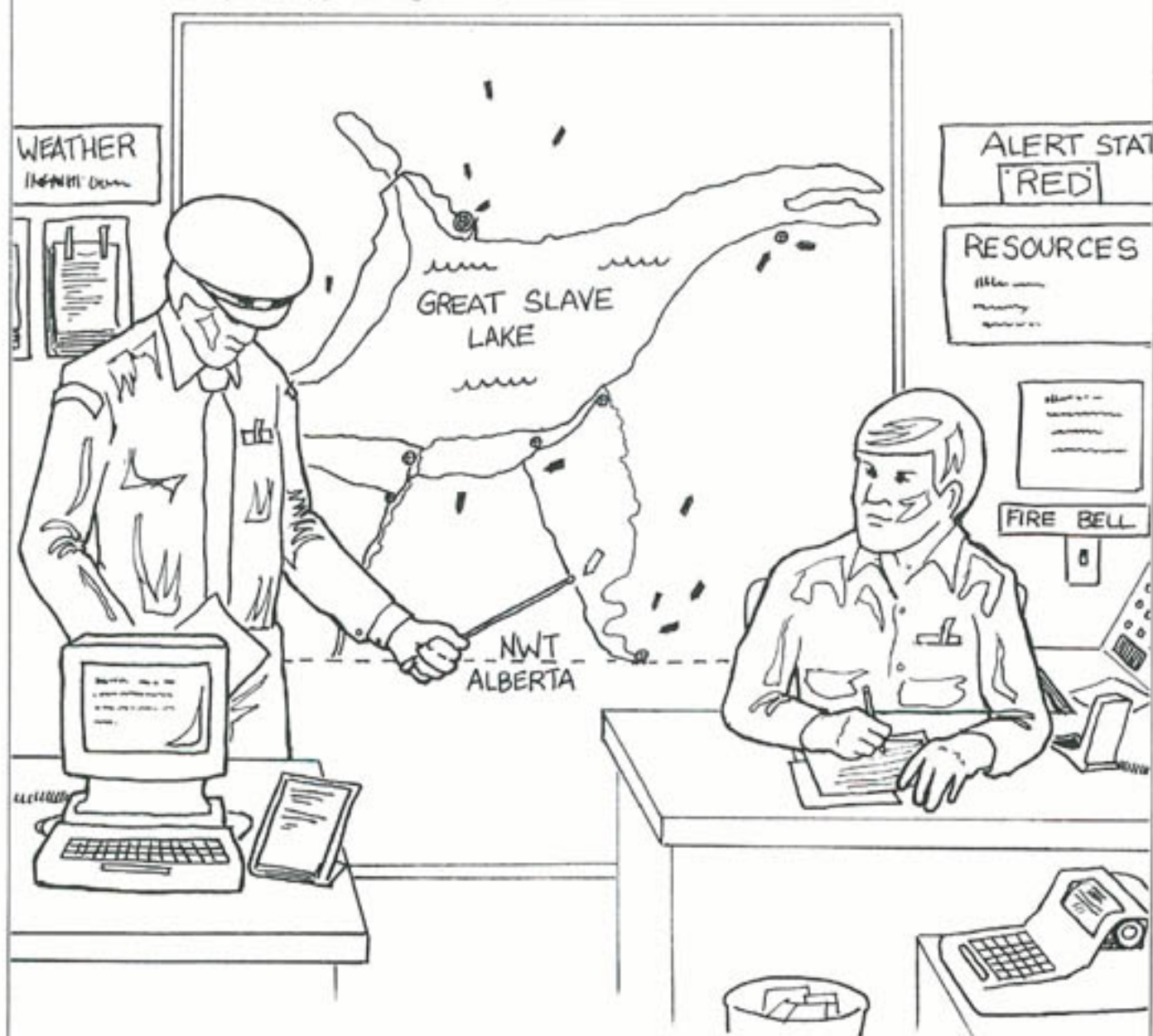


The animals in the forest could smell the smoke and knew it meant they must run, hop or fly for their lives!

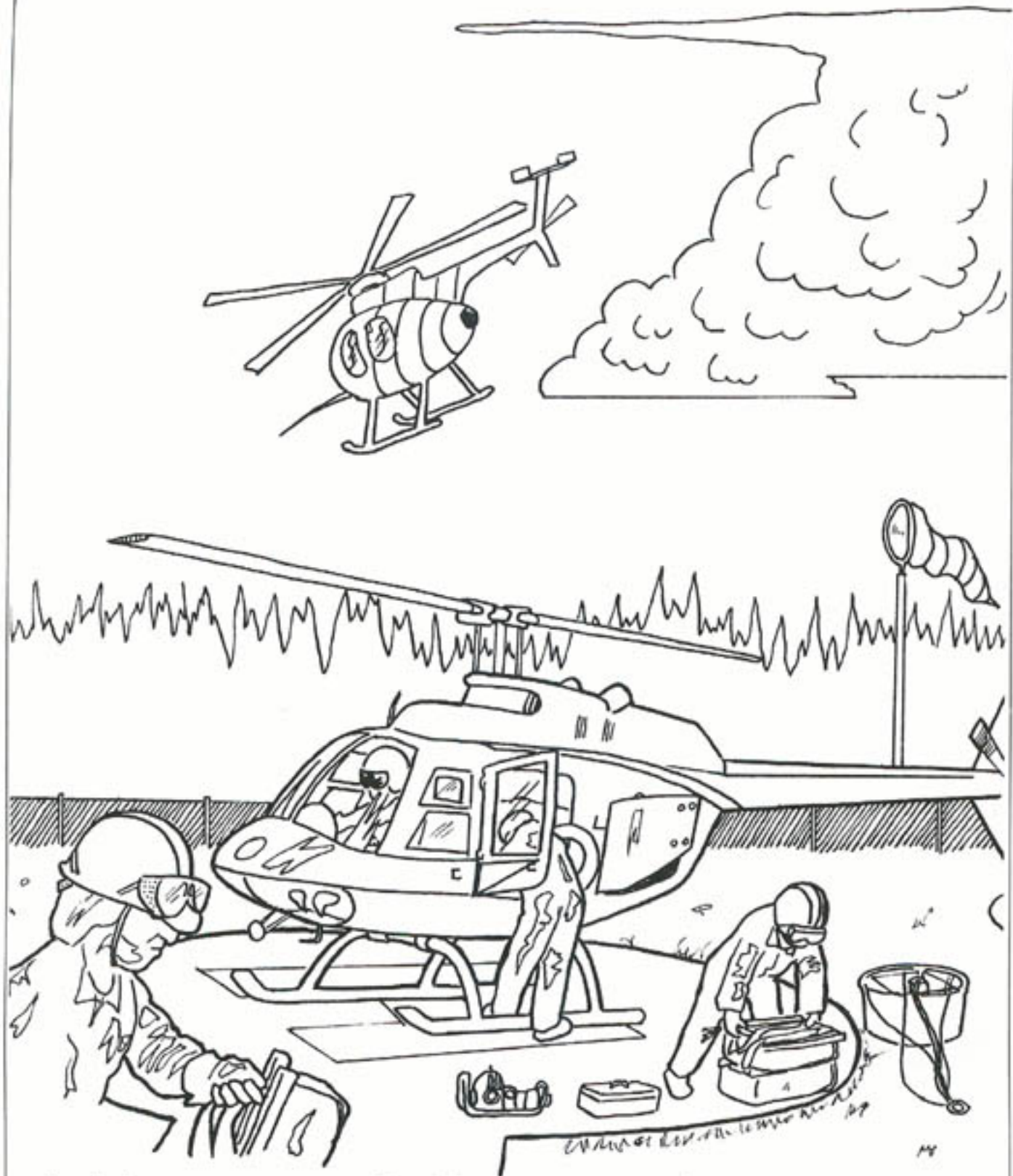


Nearby, a towerman also
saw the smoke and quickly reported it to...

FIRE CENTER MAP



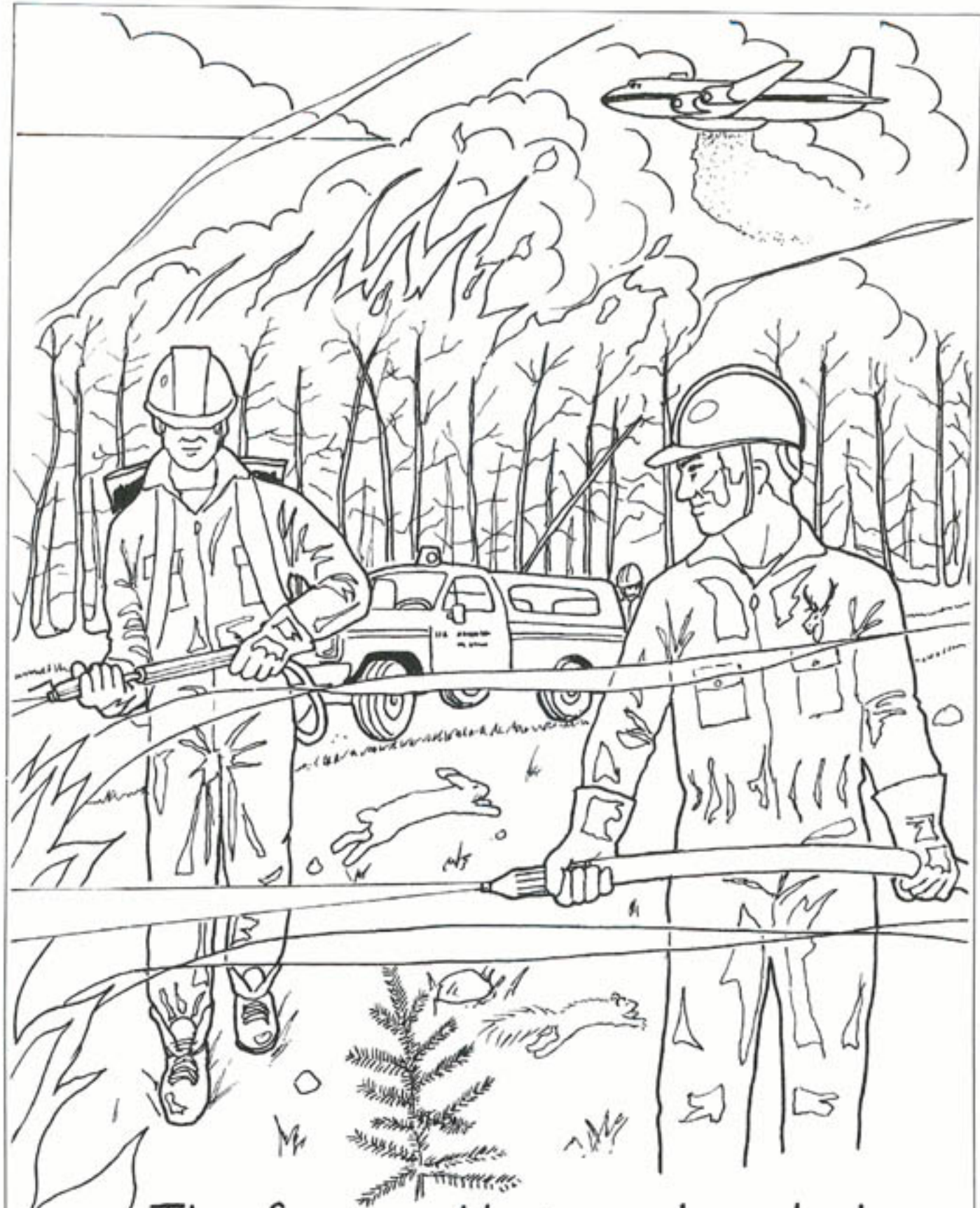
...the nearest Forest Fire Control Center.



Within minutes, firefighters and equipment were on the way to the scene of the fire.



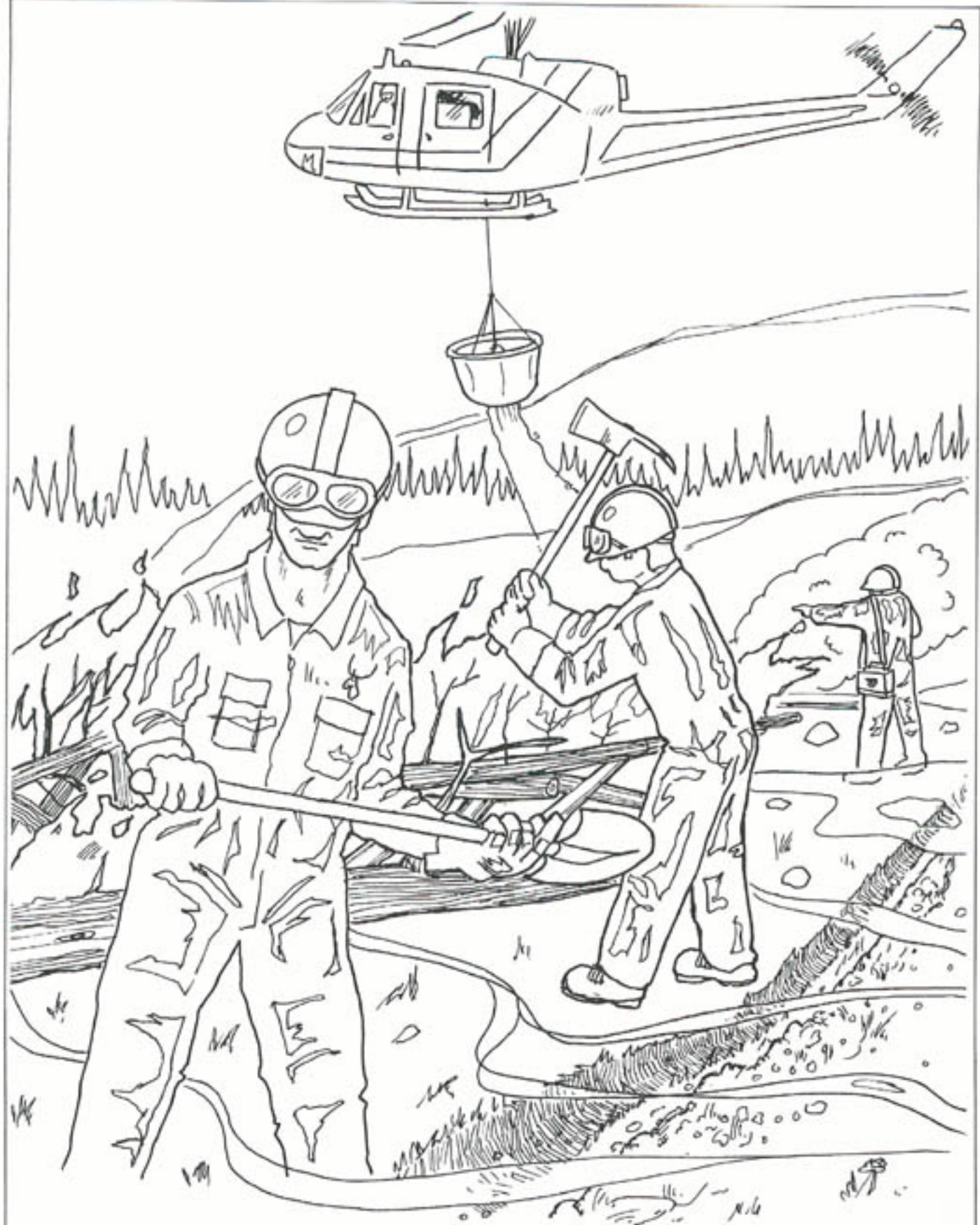
Most of the animals in the forest escaped without harm.



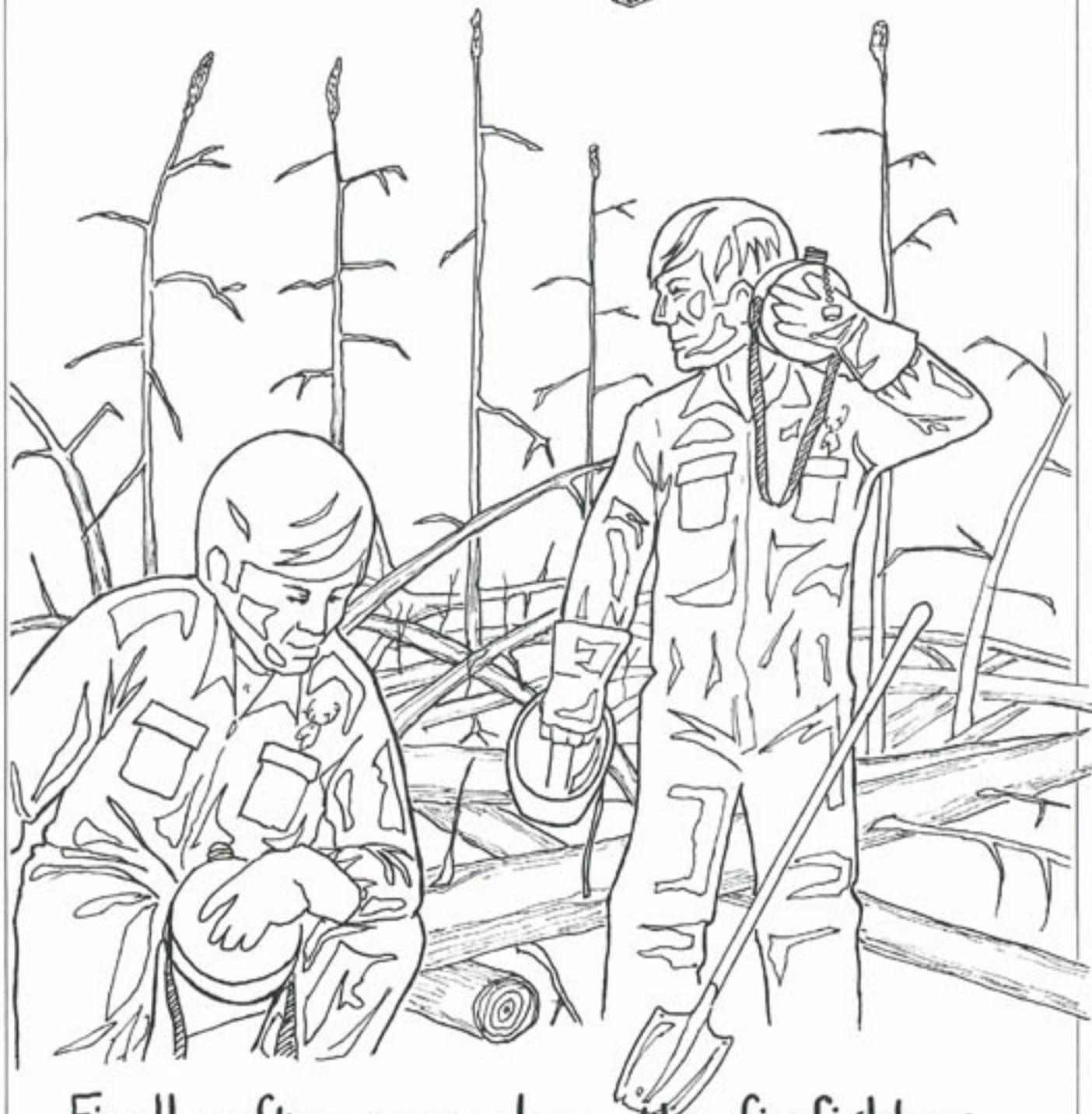
The fire was blazing and very big by the time the first firefighters had arrived!



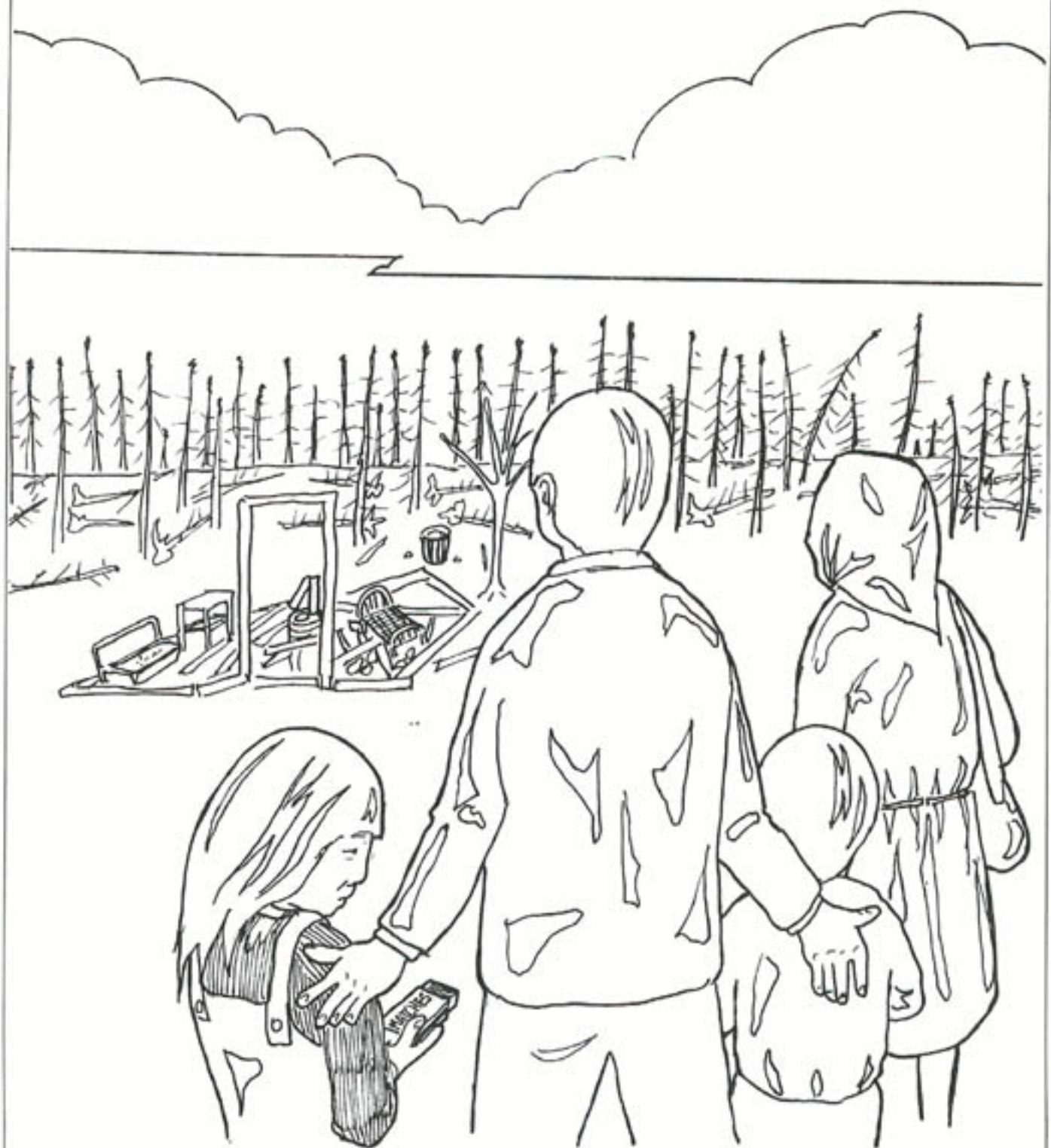
Ashes and burning embers from the fire fell into a nearby lake, making it hard for the fish to breathe.



For the firefighters it was very hard work.



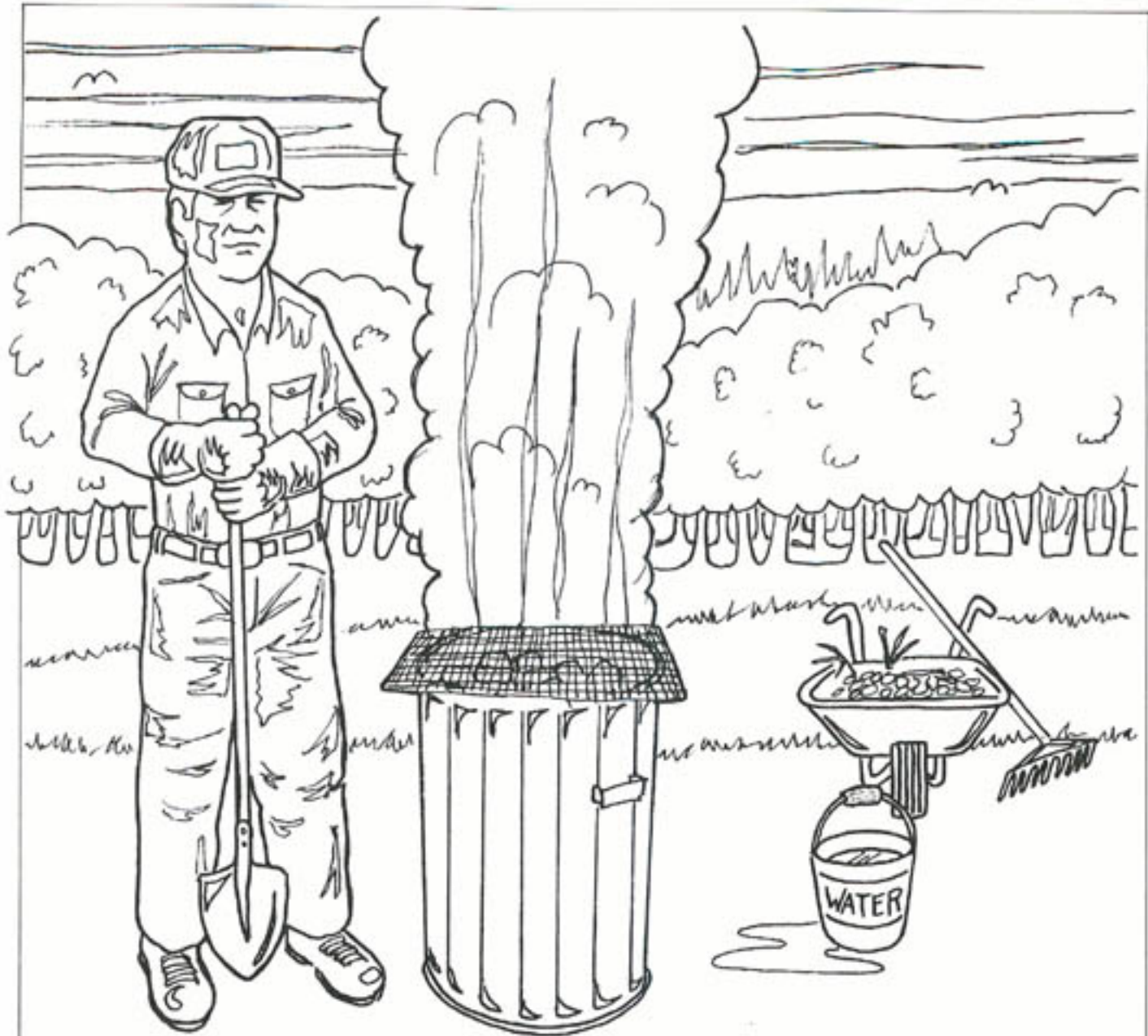
Finally, after many days, the firefighters could rest well. The fire was out!



But the damage was great, and all because of two children being careless with fire. This was one fire that could have been prevented."



"But," said the children, "are there other ways we can prevent forest fires?" "Why, yes, there are many ways all of us can," said Tuktu.



When burning trash, always...

...place a wire screen on top to keep sparks in.

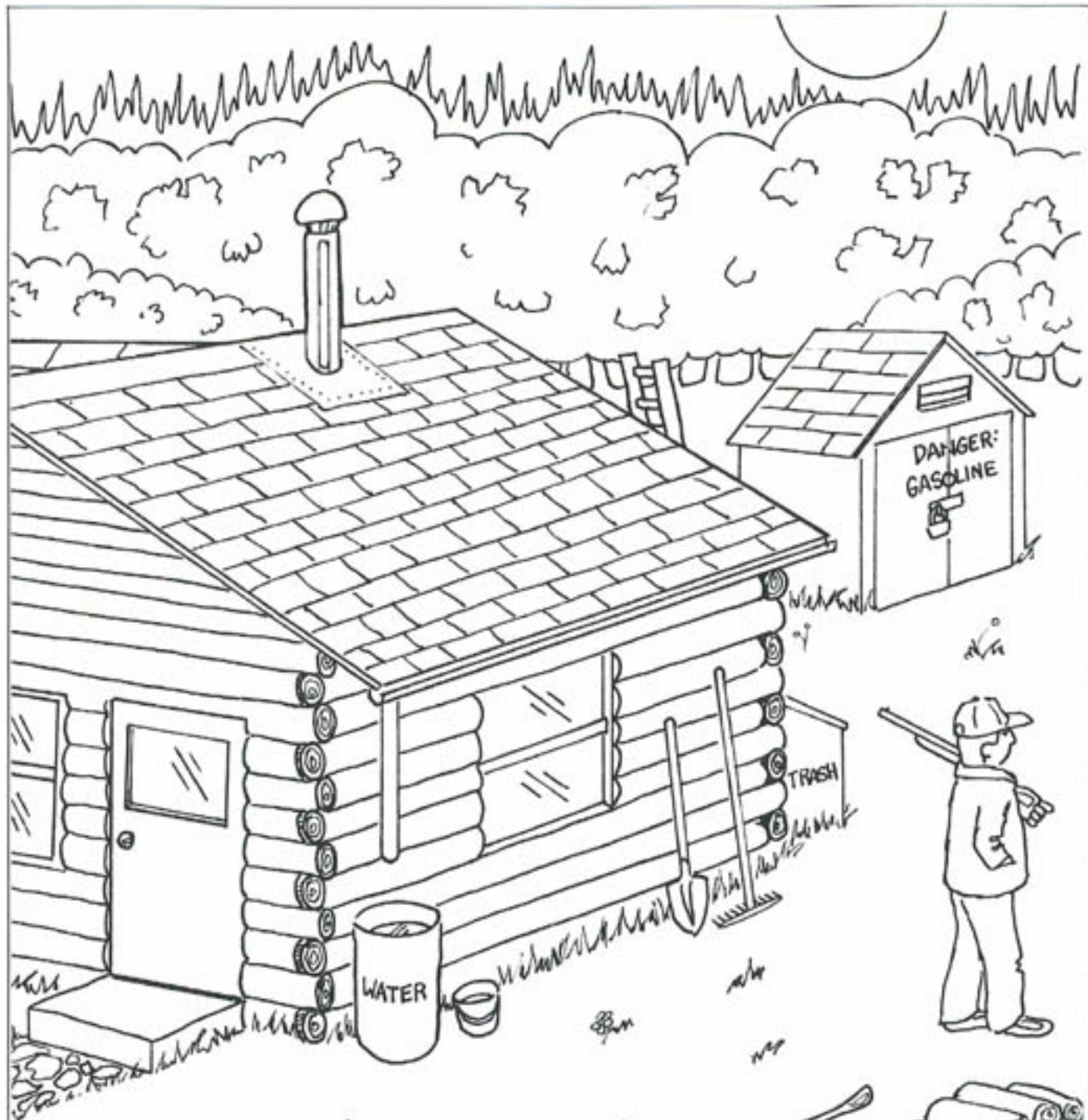
...clean up litter lying around the trash can.

...burn in an open area away from trees.

...keep water or a fire extinguisher nearby.

...burn only during early morning or late evening.

Never leave a fire until you are sure it is out!



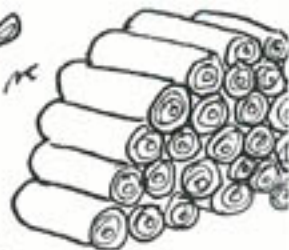
Around the cabin or camp, always.

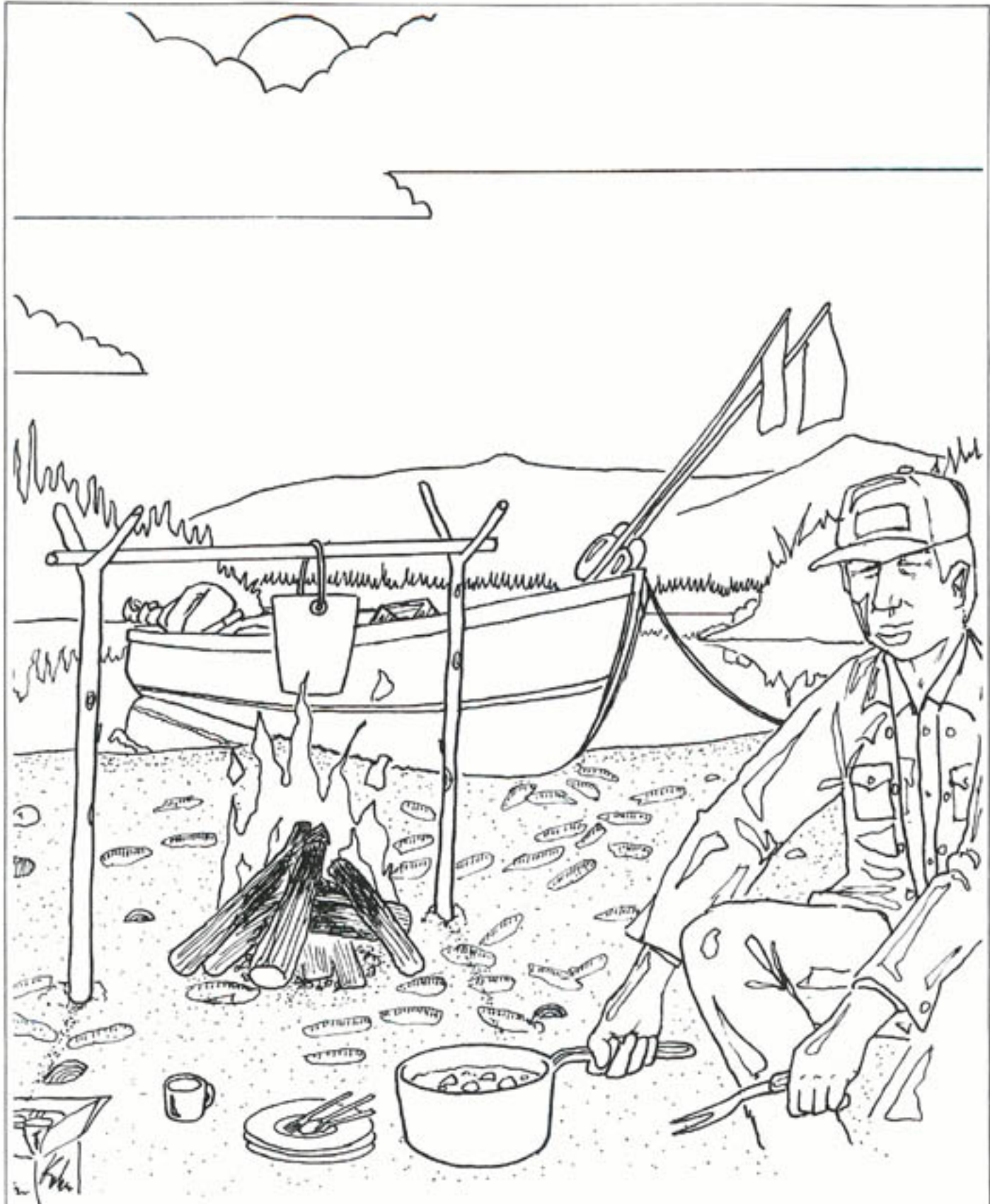
...lock up gasoline.

...keep the yard clean; cut brush near the cabin.

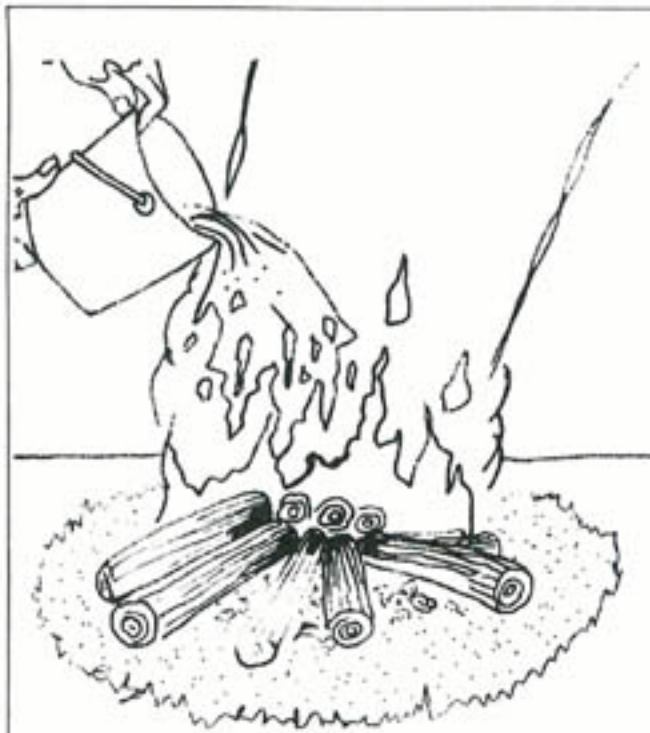
...be prepared for a forest or cabin fire.

Never leave a fire in the woodstove when away!

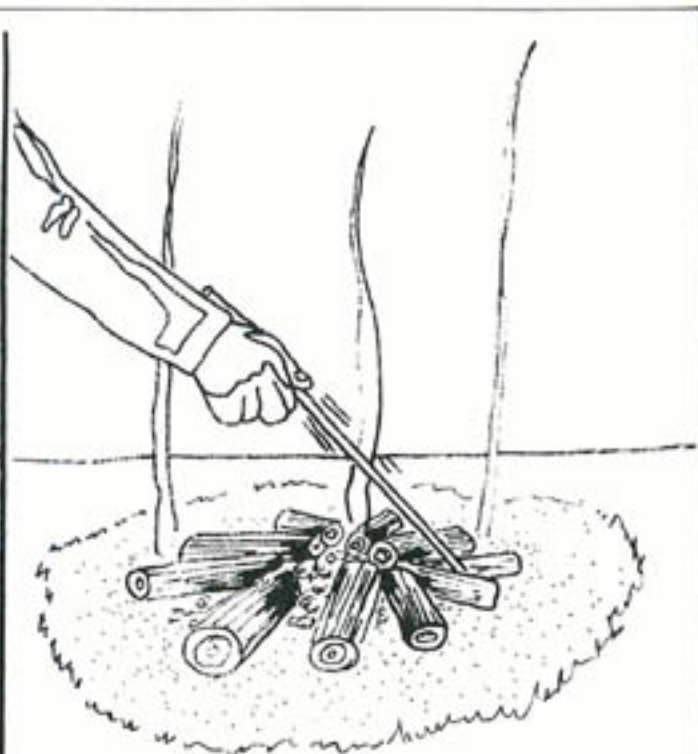




Always choose a safe place for a campfire,
and don't make the fire too big to use easily.



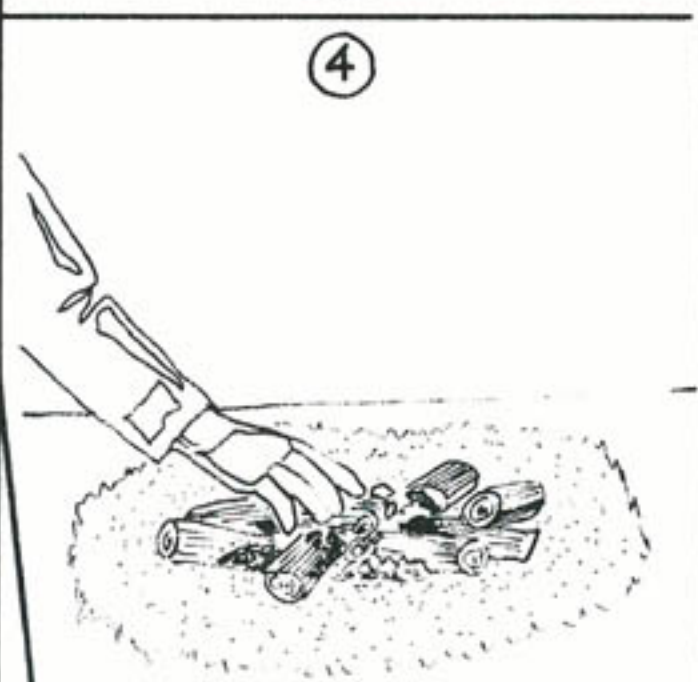
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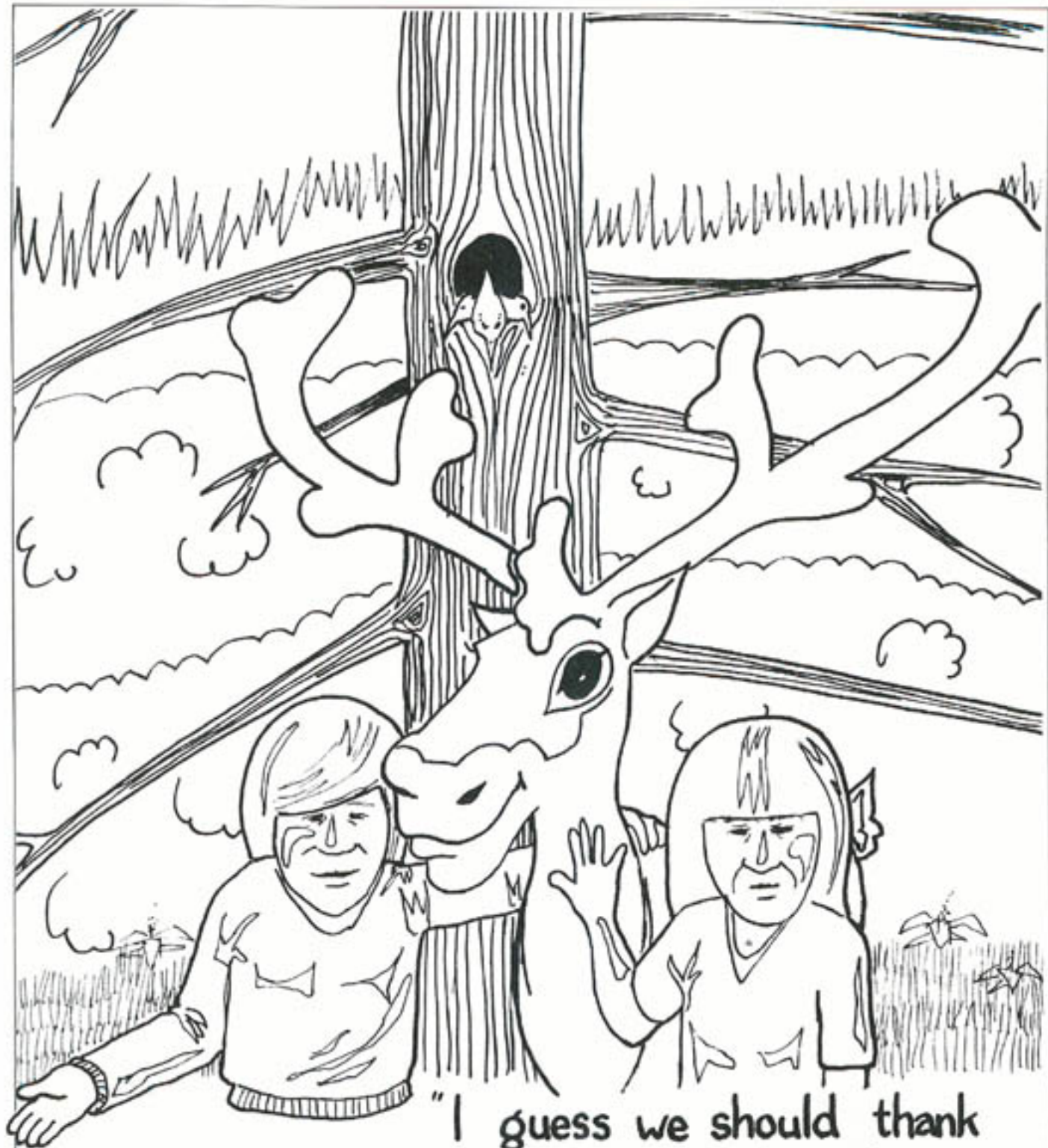


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Make sure your campfire is OUT before leaving!



"I guess we should thank you, Tuktu, for preventing another forest fire," said the children. "You're welcome," said Tuktu, "but we should all do our part to keep the North a beautiful place to live."