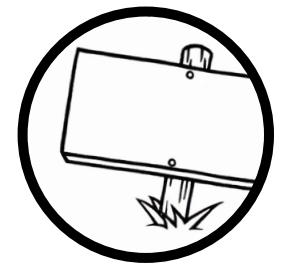


# LEGEND OF THE FLYING FROG

## What to Do

This is your chance to invent a story about a made-up endangered species. Here's the six-page story.

**You draw the pictures and write the captions.**



**Imagine a foggy spring day.** You are out kayaking with a group of friends along a coast somewhere when a storm brews. It's scary, but luckily one of you spots a very small, deserted island looming out of the fog in a shallow bay. You all head for it and take shelter under some big rocks.

① **DRAW** a picture of the storm and the island.

② **WRITE** a caption.

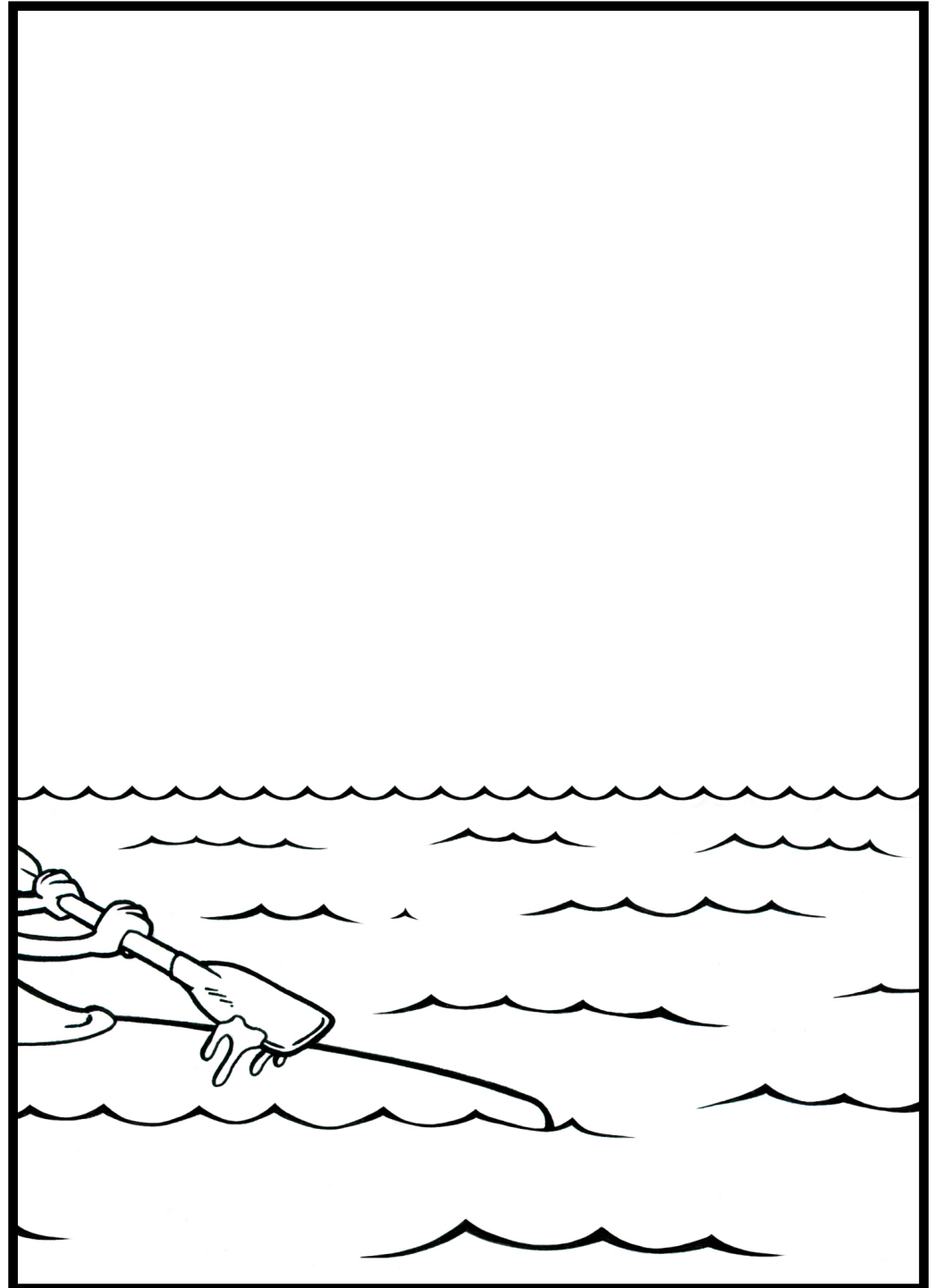
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**The storm passes, the fog clears, and you set off to explore the island.** It's swampy and full of flies, mosquitoes, and yellow jackets, and no people live there. Suddenly you hear a loud croaking noise coming from some tall trees. You run over to see what could be causing the racket.

**1 DRAW** a picture of life the island and the insects that live there.

**2 WRITE** a caption.

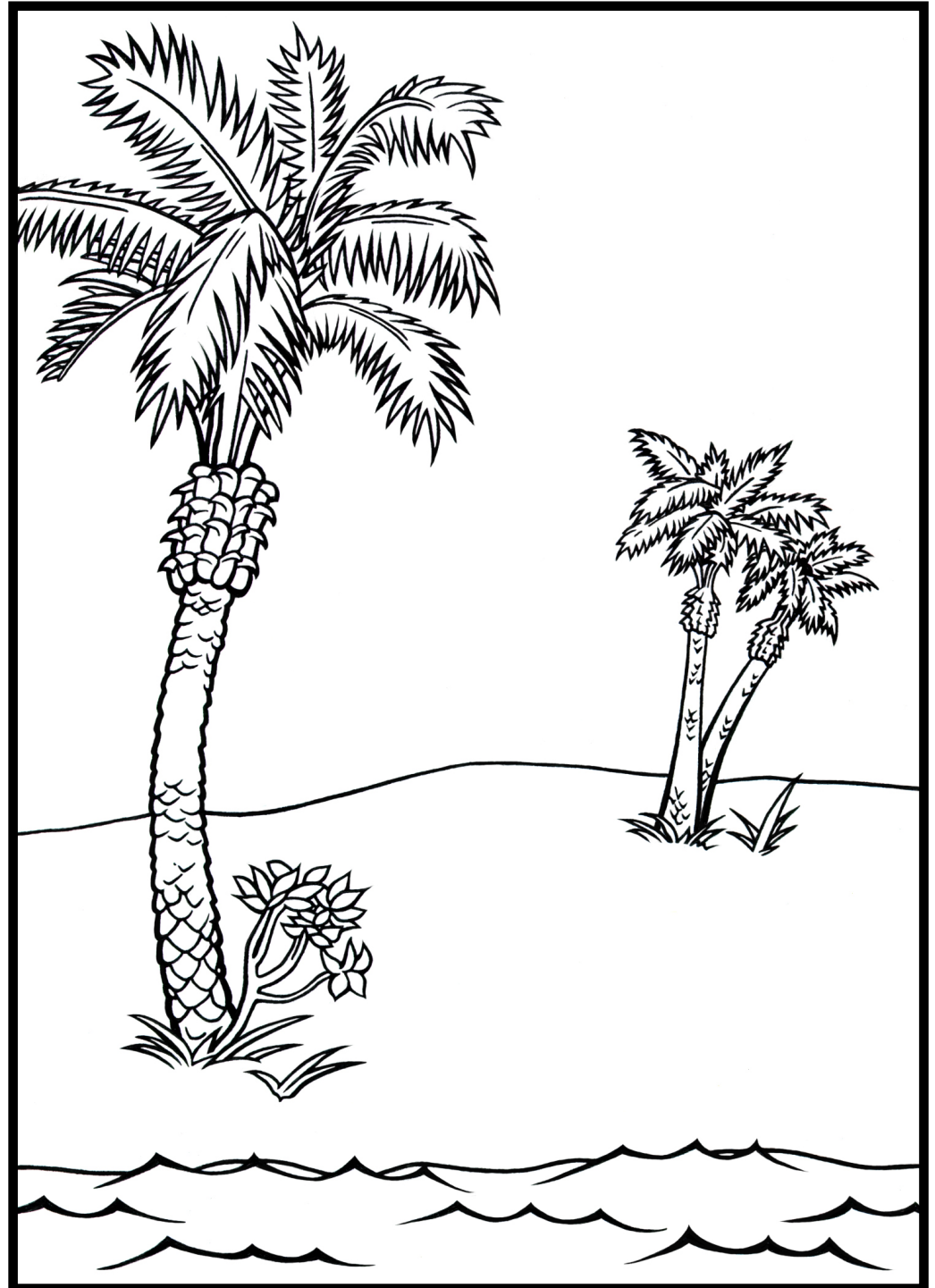
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**To your surprise, it's a flying frog!** On each side of this frog, stretched between its front legs and back legs, there's a thin layer of skin that looks like a wing. When the frog leaps into the air, it flaps its legs furiously up and down—and flies! Carefully, you draw a picture of the frog and describe it. The frog flies off, and you head back to your kayaks.

1 **DRAW** a picture of the flying frog.

2 **WRITE** a caption.

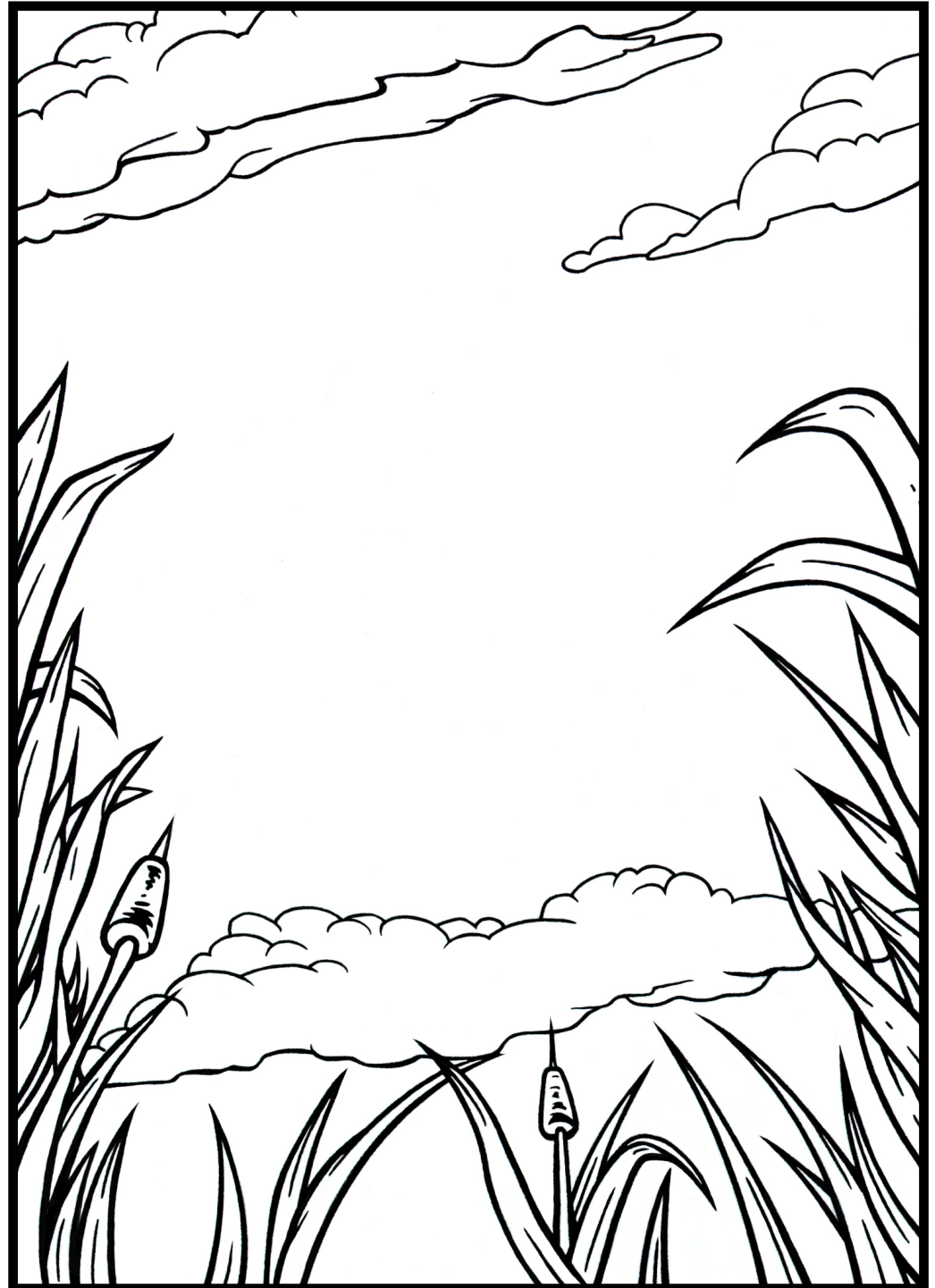
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You show your drawing of the flying frog and describe how it flew through the trees to the famous scientist, Dr. Melody Woo. She gets very excited about your story. You have rediscovered the Meeps Island Flying Frog—long believed by scientists to be extinct! Dr. Woo returns to the island with a team of scientists who see 12 other Meeps Island Flying Frogs and capture one to study. You form an organization called the Friends of the Flying Frog. Everyone at school joins. The local television station visits, and you all become celebrities overnight!

- 1 **DESIGN** a poster for the Friends of the Flying Frog.
- 2 **WRITE** a caption.

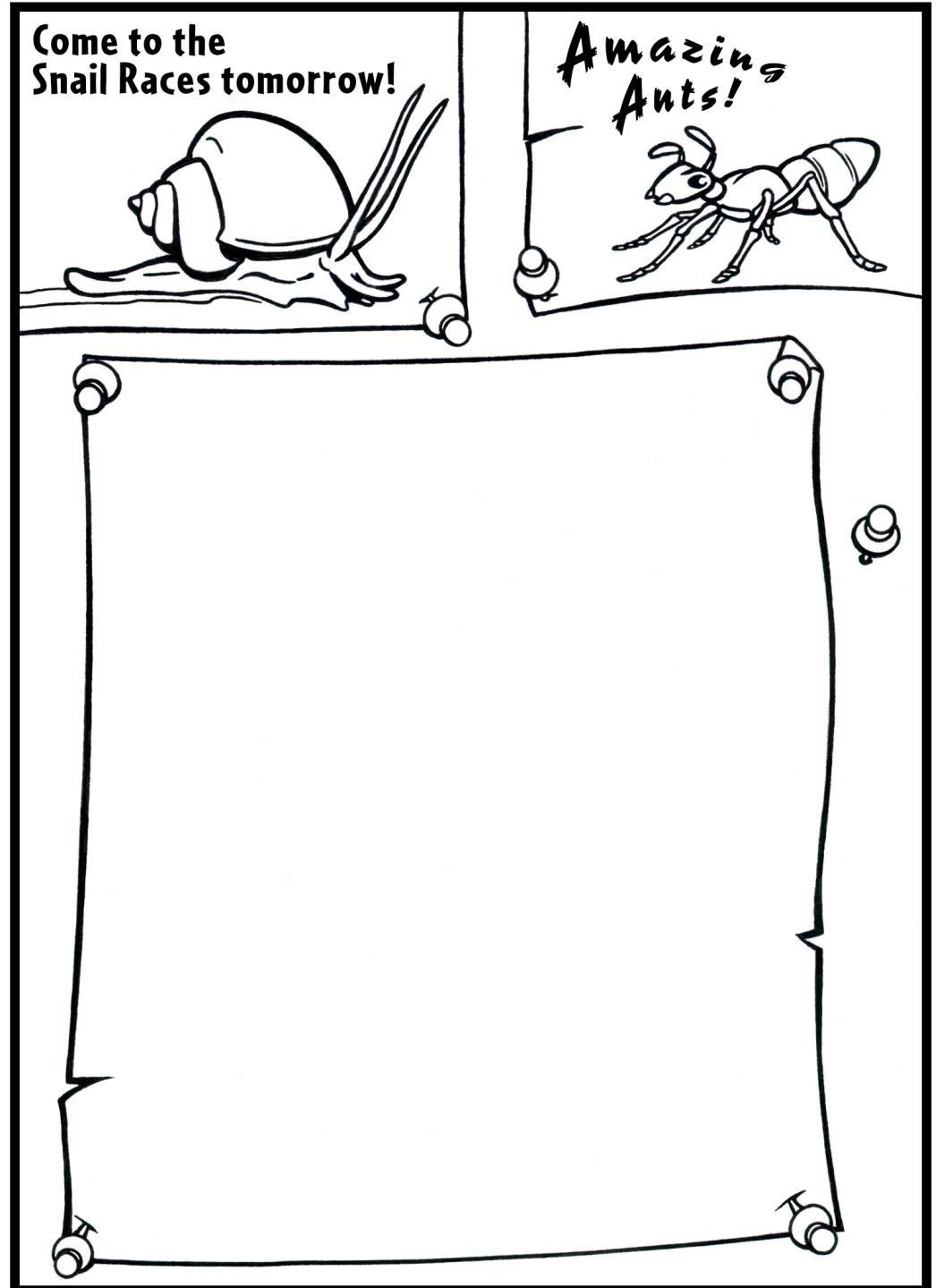
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**Everyone wants to save the Flying Frog, and they all flock to Meeps Island to try to spot it.**

You and Dr. Woo start to get concerned. If too many people go to the island, they might scare off the frogs. Dr. Woo worries that the frog might really become extinct. Meanwhile, concession stands and tour groups are opening up all over the island. Ferries take people out and back 10 times a day. So many people on such a small island have a big effect.

- 1** **DRAW** a picture of the new stuff for sale on the island.
- 2** **WRITE** a caption.

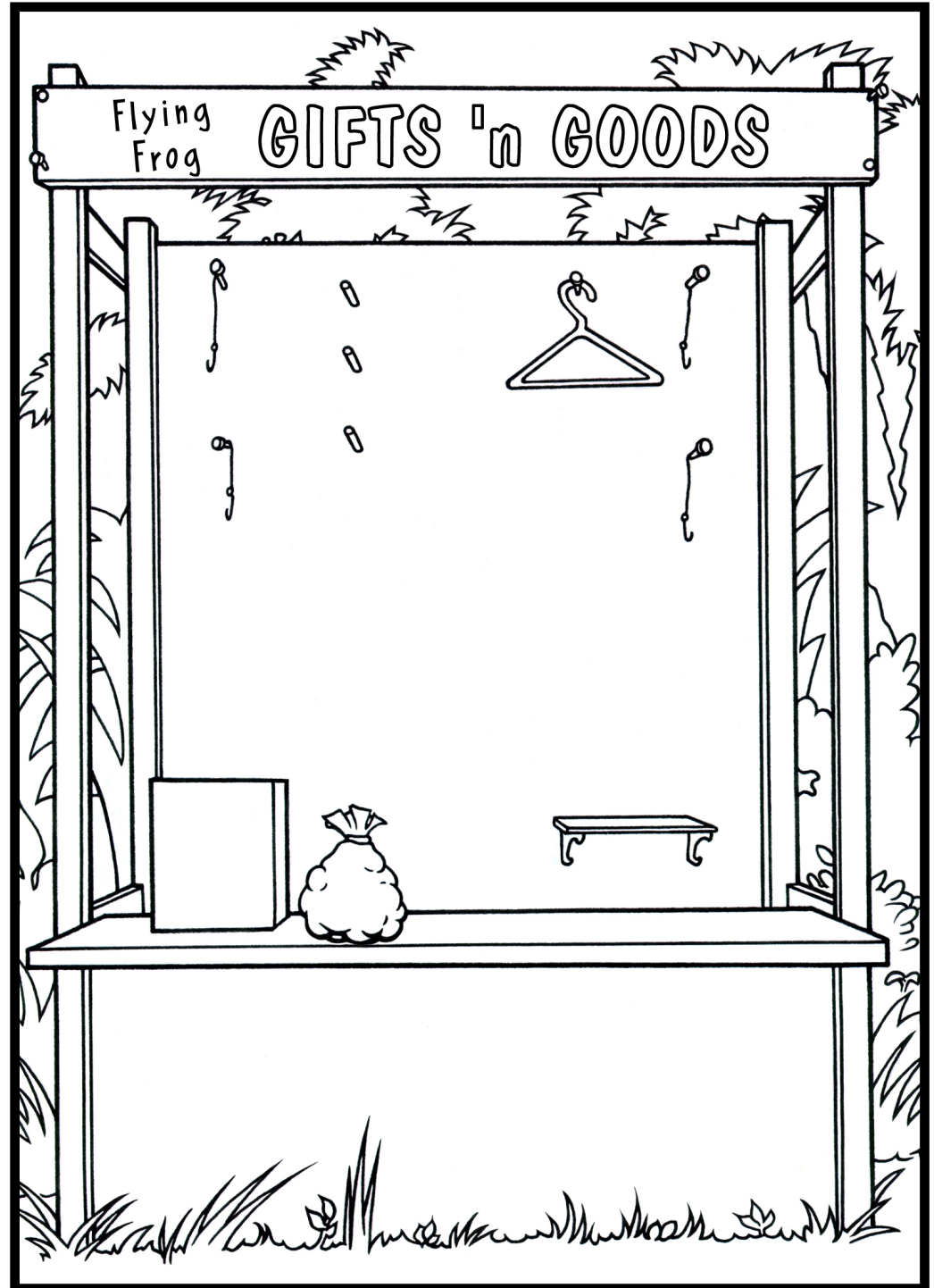
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**Dr. Woo invites you to come with her to Washington, D.C., to the offices of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services.** Dr. Woo tells the officers about the Meeps Island Flying Frog and asks them to put it on the Endangered Species List. They listen carefully to her arguments and closely examine her evidence. Finally, they agree. The frog is put on the list!

Now that the frog is protected under the law, the only people allowed to live on the island are scientists who study the frog. The concession stands are closed up, and only one ferry a day goes back and forth to the island. Visitors may come over on the ferry to take tours led by scientists, but they can take only photographs and leave nothing but footprints. Happy frogs fly all over Meeps Island!

- 1** **DRAW** a picture of life on Meeps Island.
- 2** **WRITE** a caption.

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