

Missouri **AGRICULTURE** **A Z**



A Look at Missouri Agriculture



Capital: Jefferson City

Founded: August 10, 1821 (24th state)

State Bird: Bluebird

State Tree: American Dogwood

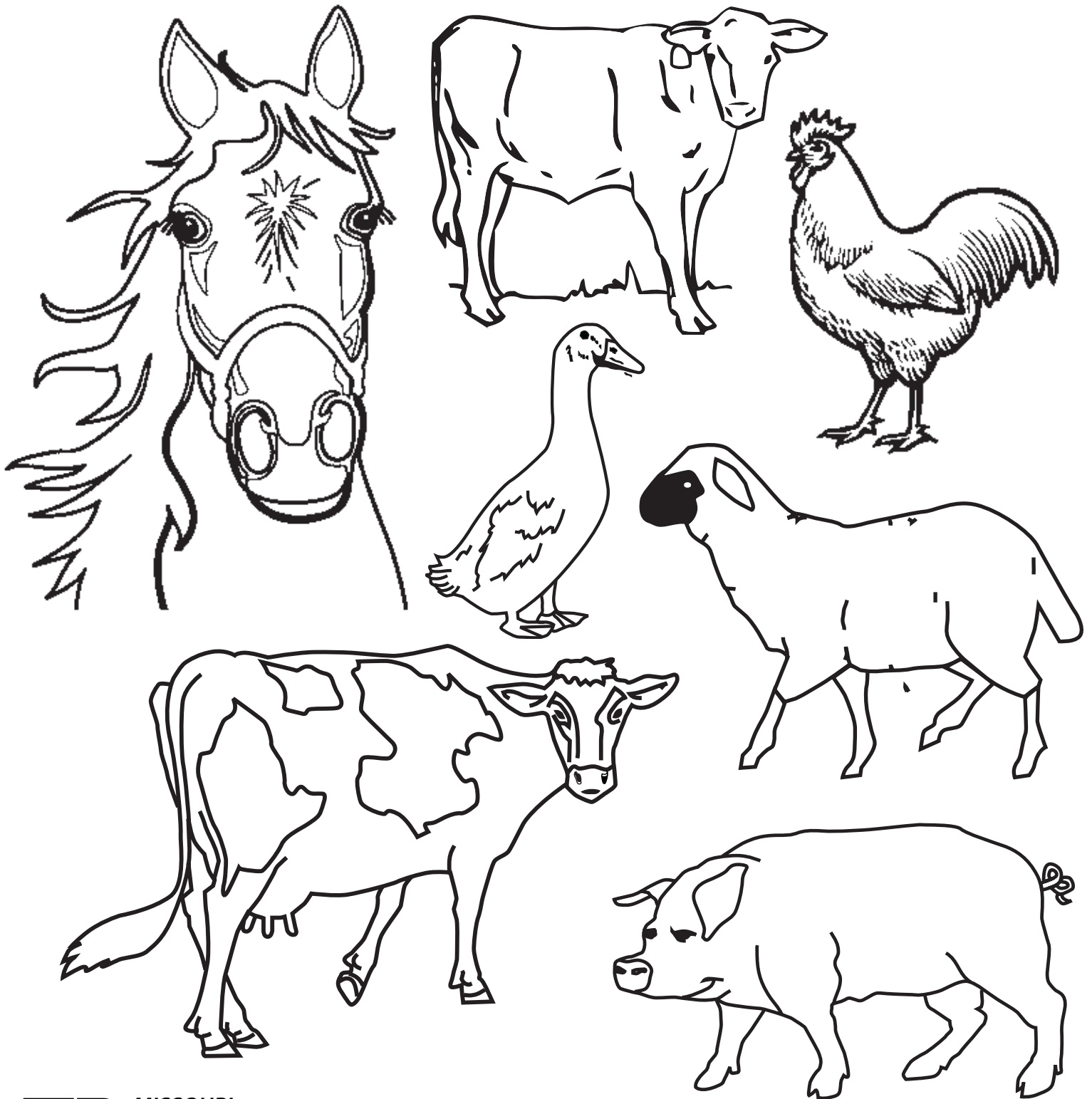
State Flower: Hawthorn

Number of Counties: 114

Nickname: Show-Me State

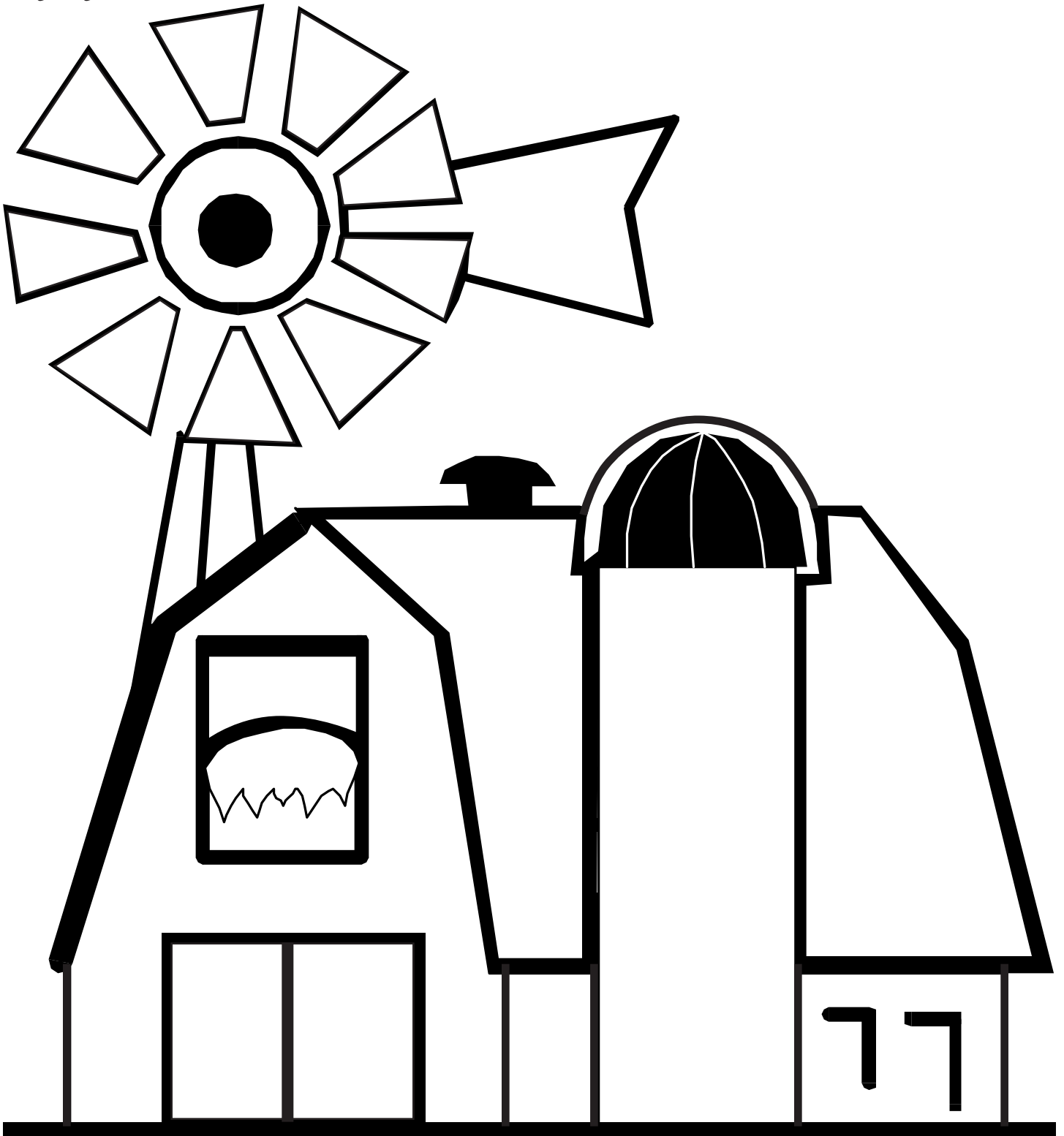
Aa is for animal.

Cows, horses, sheep, pigs, chickens and ducks are animals that live on a farm.



Bb is for barn.

A barn is a large building used for animals and farm equipment.



C C *is for cotton.*

The cotton plant is the only plant that produces food and fiber. We use cotton for clothing, animal feed and many foods we eat.

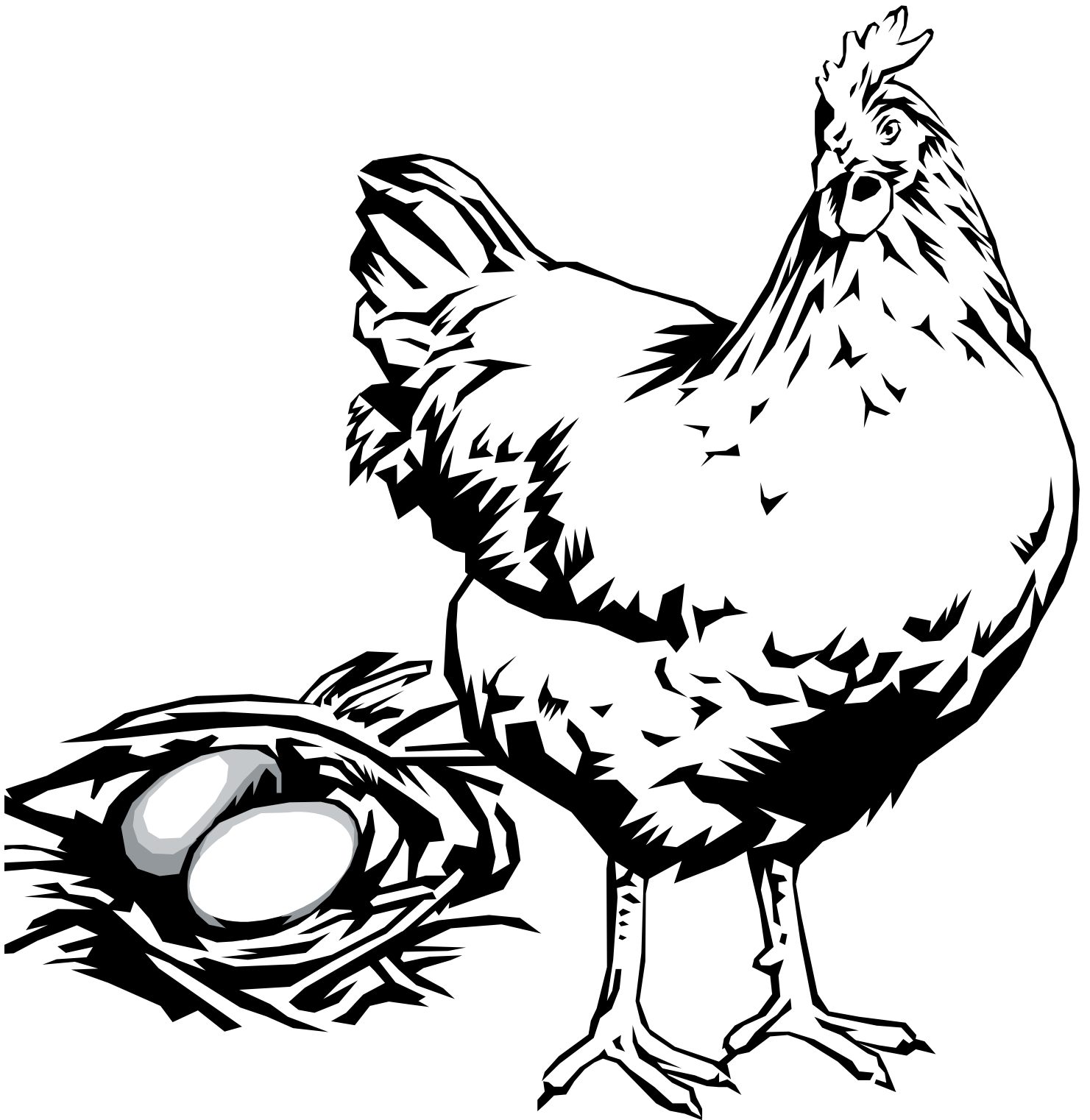


D d is for dairy.

Milk, ice cream and cheese are dairy products. They are made from the milk of a dairy cow.

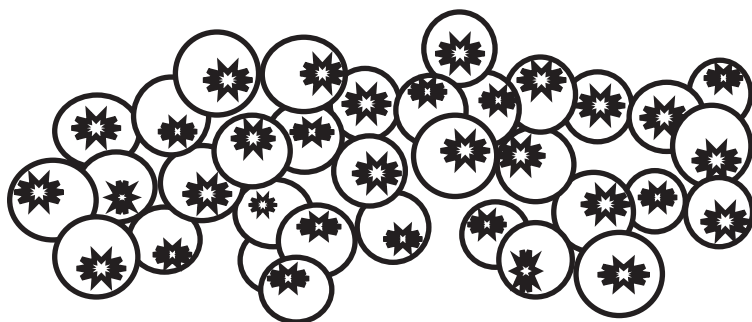
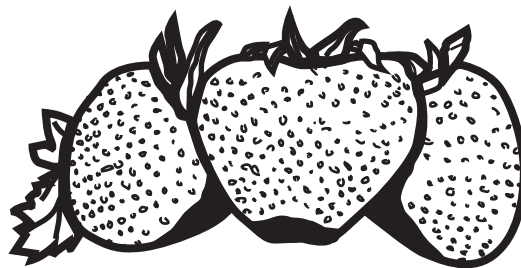
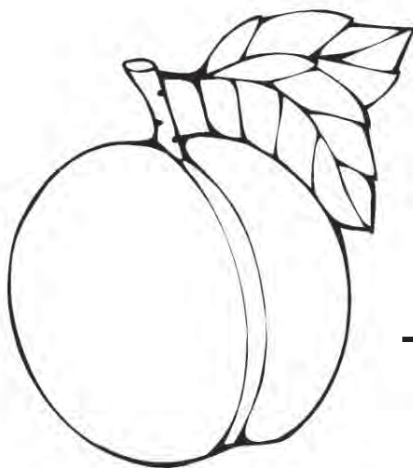
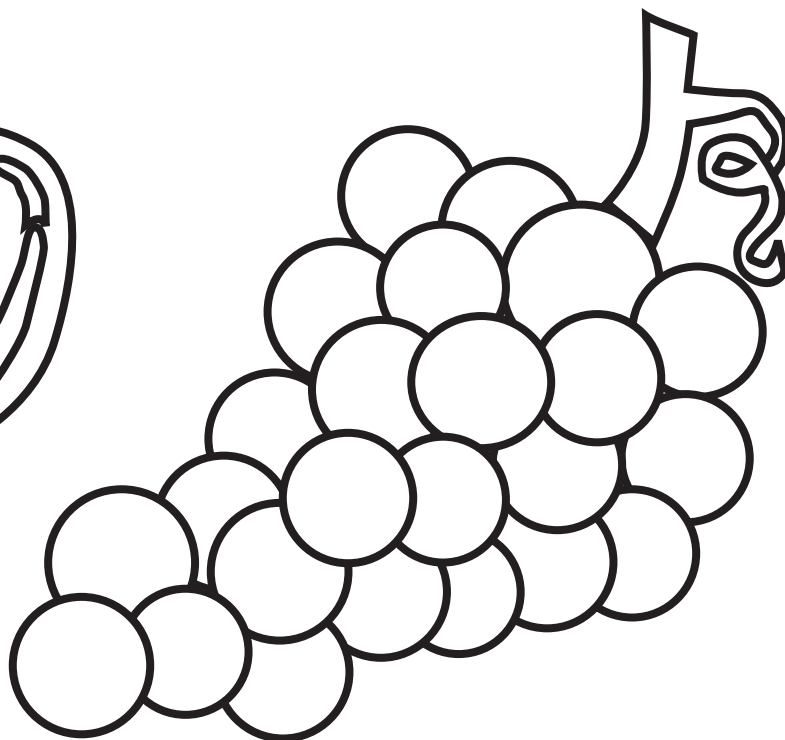
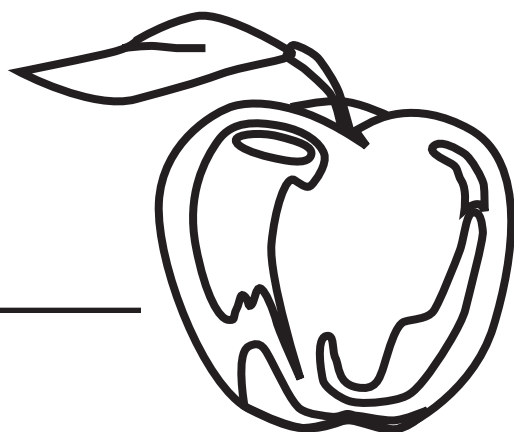


E e is for egg. Hens, female chickens, lay eggs.



F f is for fruit.

Some farmers grow fruit. Here are some of the kinds of fruit that are grown on a Missouri farm. Can you name them?



G g *is for greenhouse.*

A greenhouse provides a warm temperature to grow plants all year long.



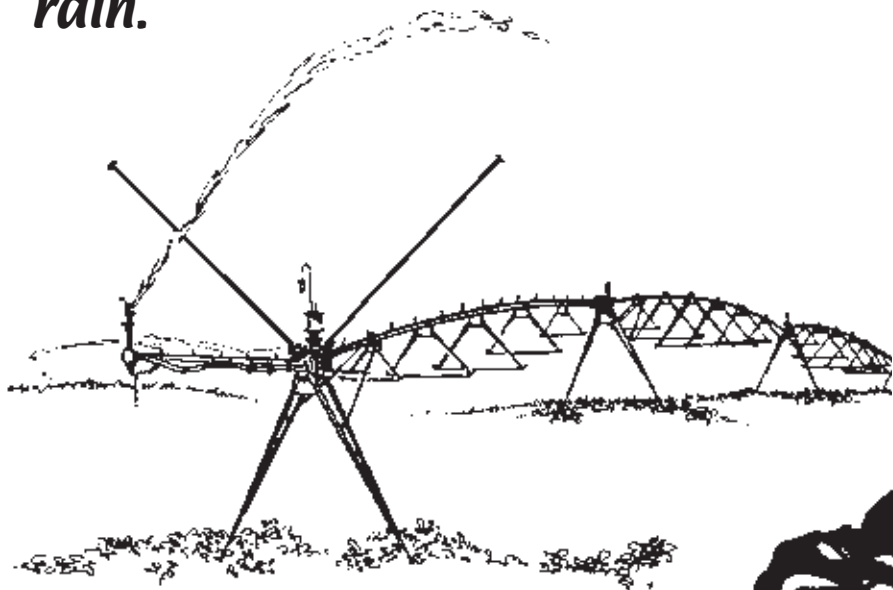
Hh is for hay.

Hay is grass and forage that is cut and baled. Is is used to feed livestock when there is no grass to eat.



I i is for irrigation.

Farmers use irrigation to water crops when it doesn't rain.



Jj is for jack-o-lantern.

A jack-o-lantern is made from a pumpkin, grown on farms.



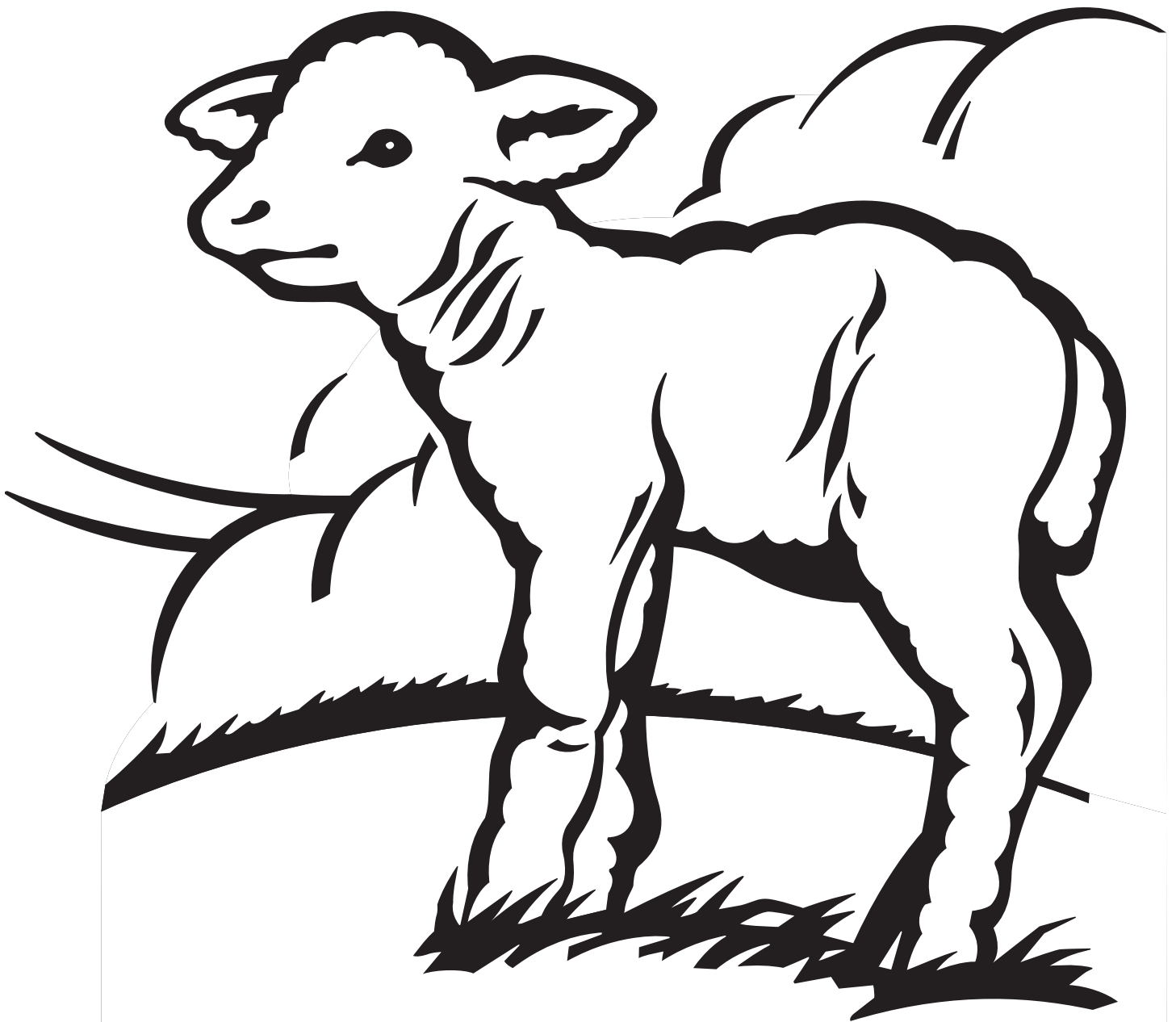
Kk is for kernel.

A kernel is the seed of corn that we can eat or plant to grow more corn. It is also used in fuels, plastics, and to feed farm animals.



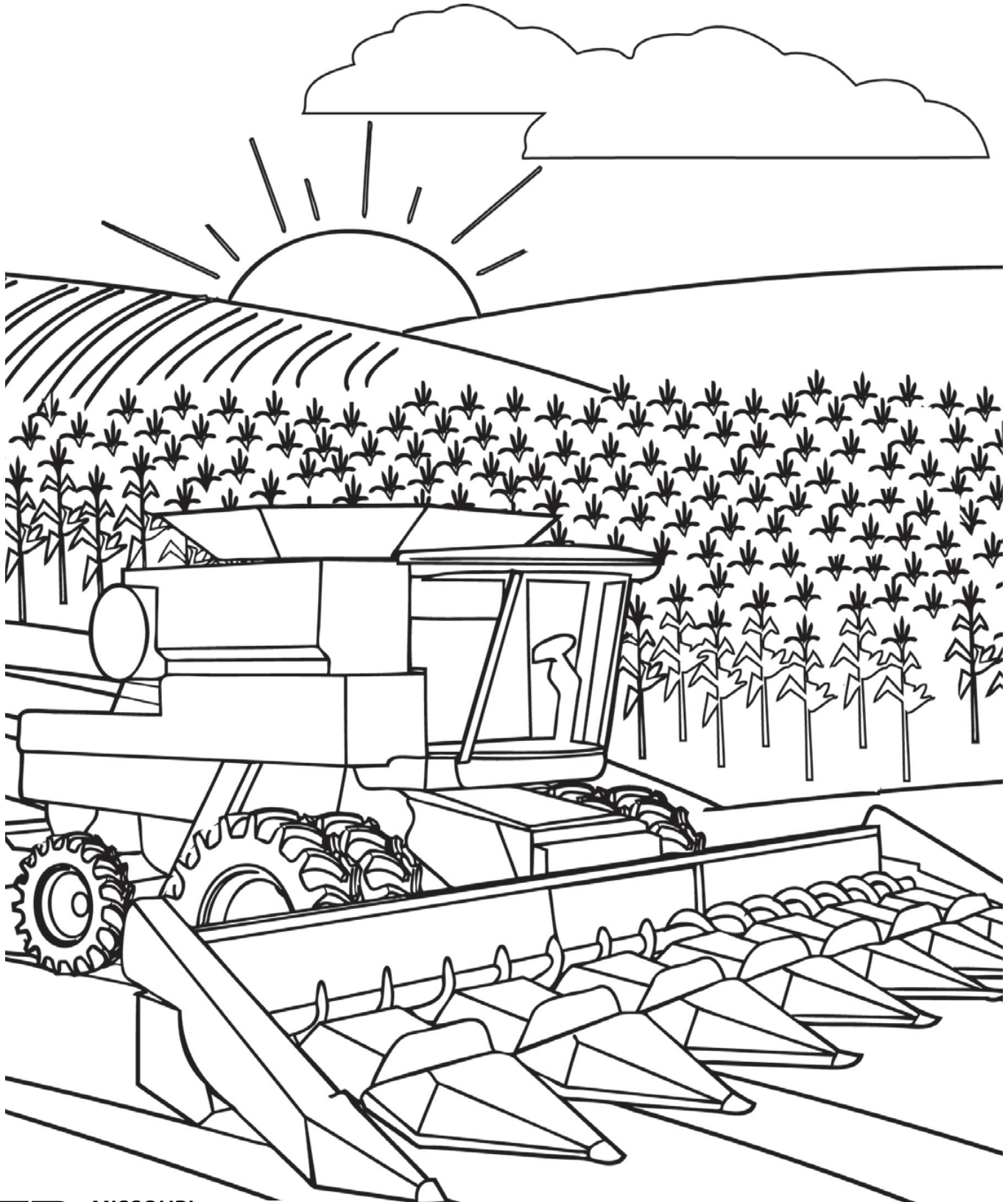
L is for lamb.

A lamb is a baby sheep. Sheep and lambs produce wool which makes warm clothes as well as meat for food.



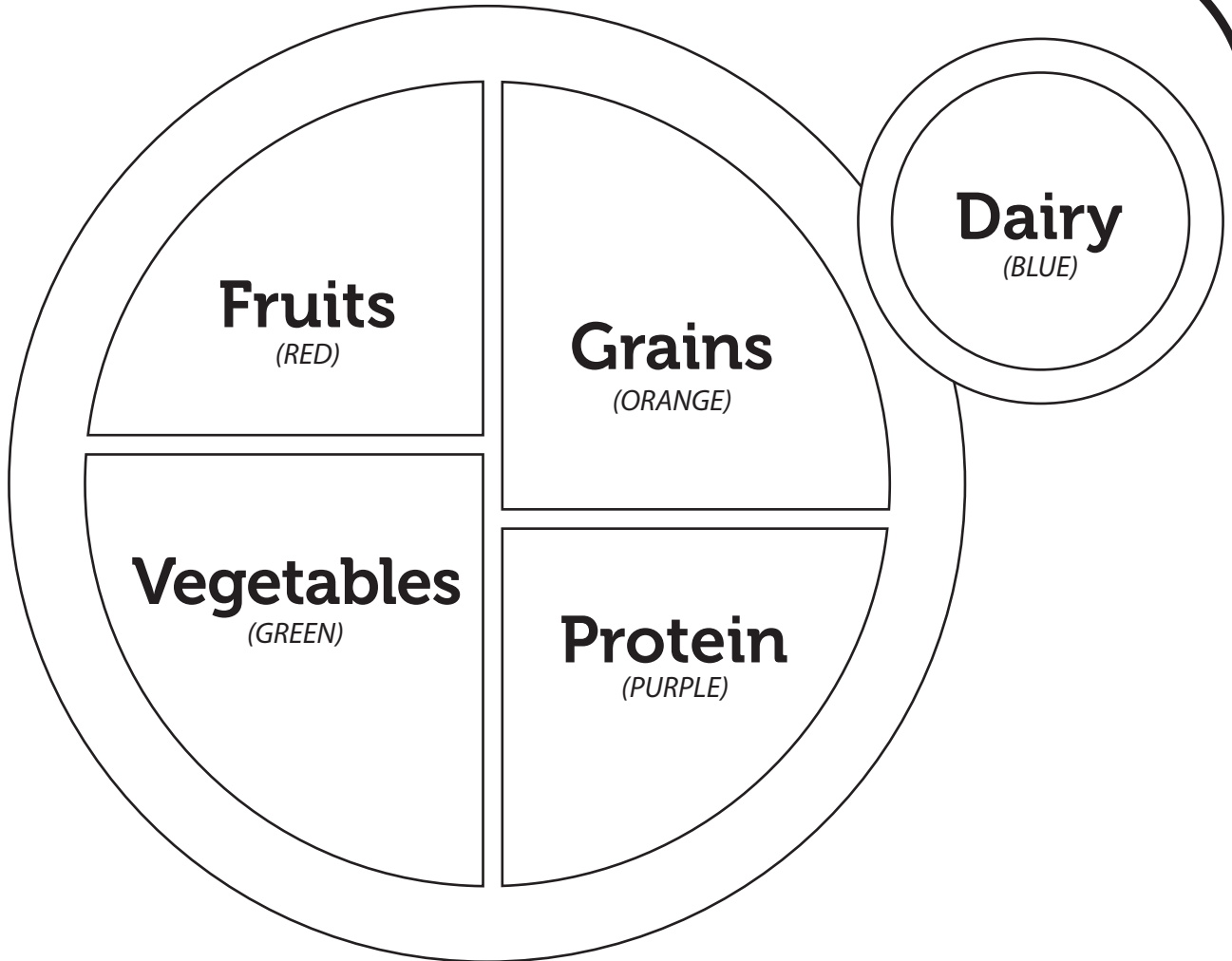
M m *is for machinery.*

Farmers use machinery to plant and harvest crops.



Nn is for nutrition.

Farmers grow food for us to eat. Good nutrition helps us to stay healthy.



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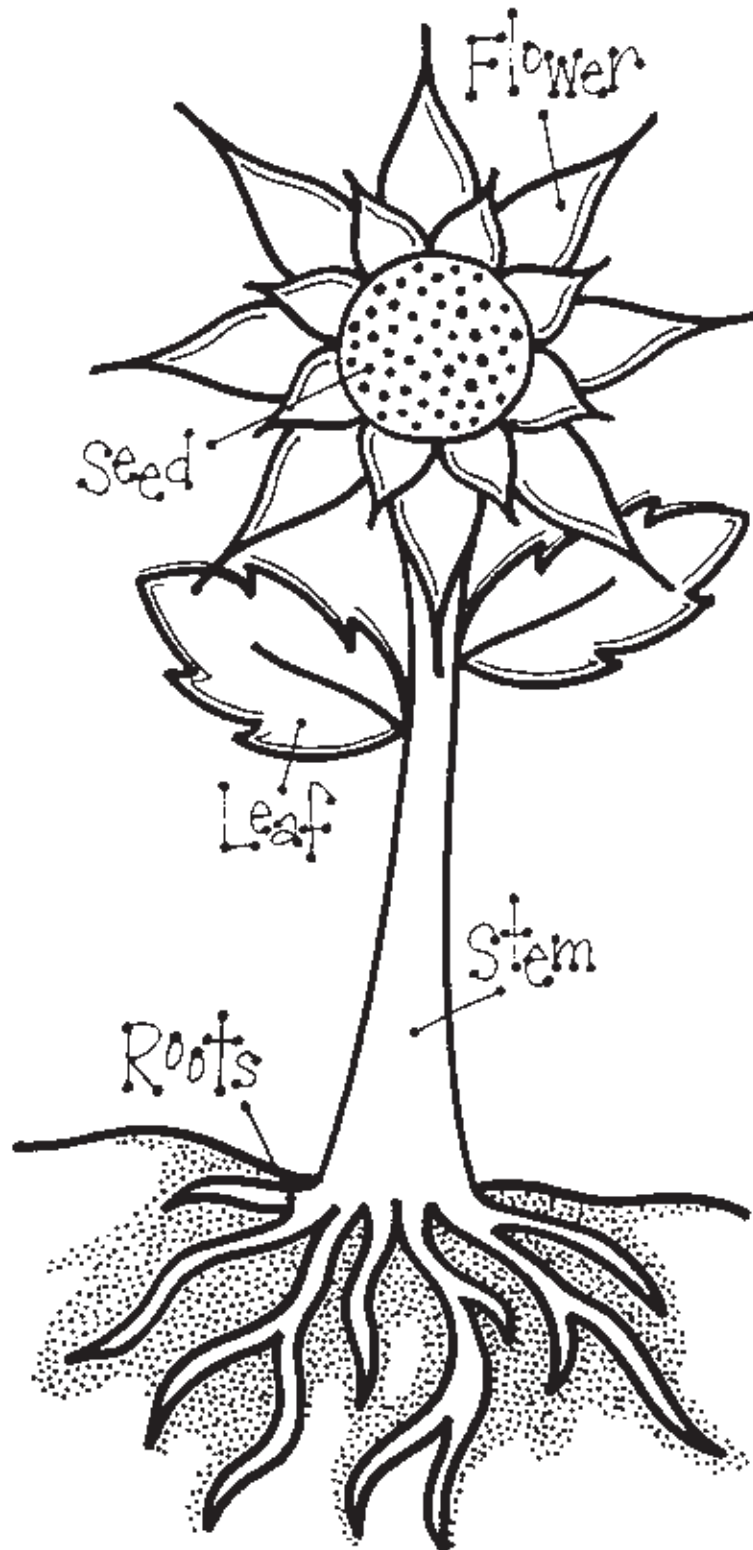
is for orchard.

Trees that produce fruit are grown in an orchard. Some examples of fruit trees are cherry trees, peach trees, apple trees and pear trees.



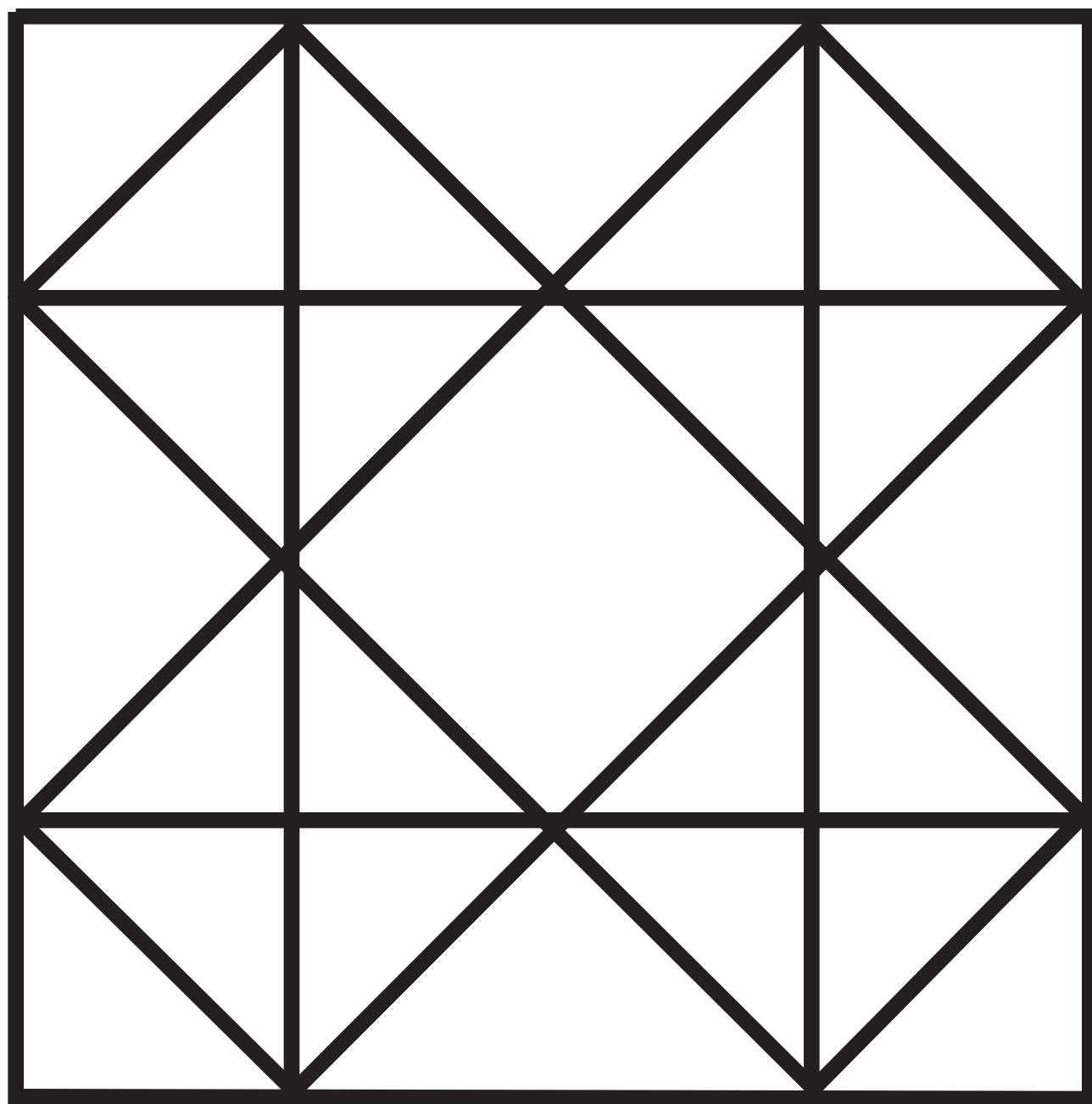
Pp is for plant.

A plant grows from a seed. Farmers grow plants such as corn, wheat, soybeans, cotton and rice.



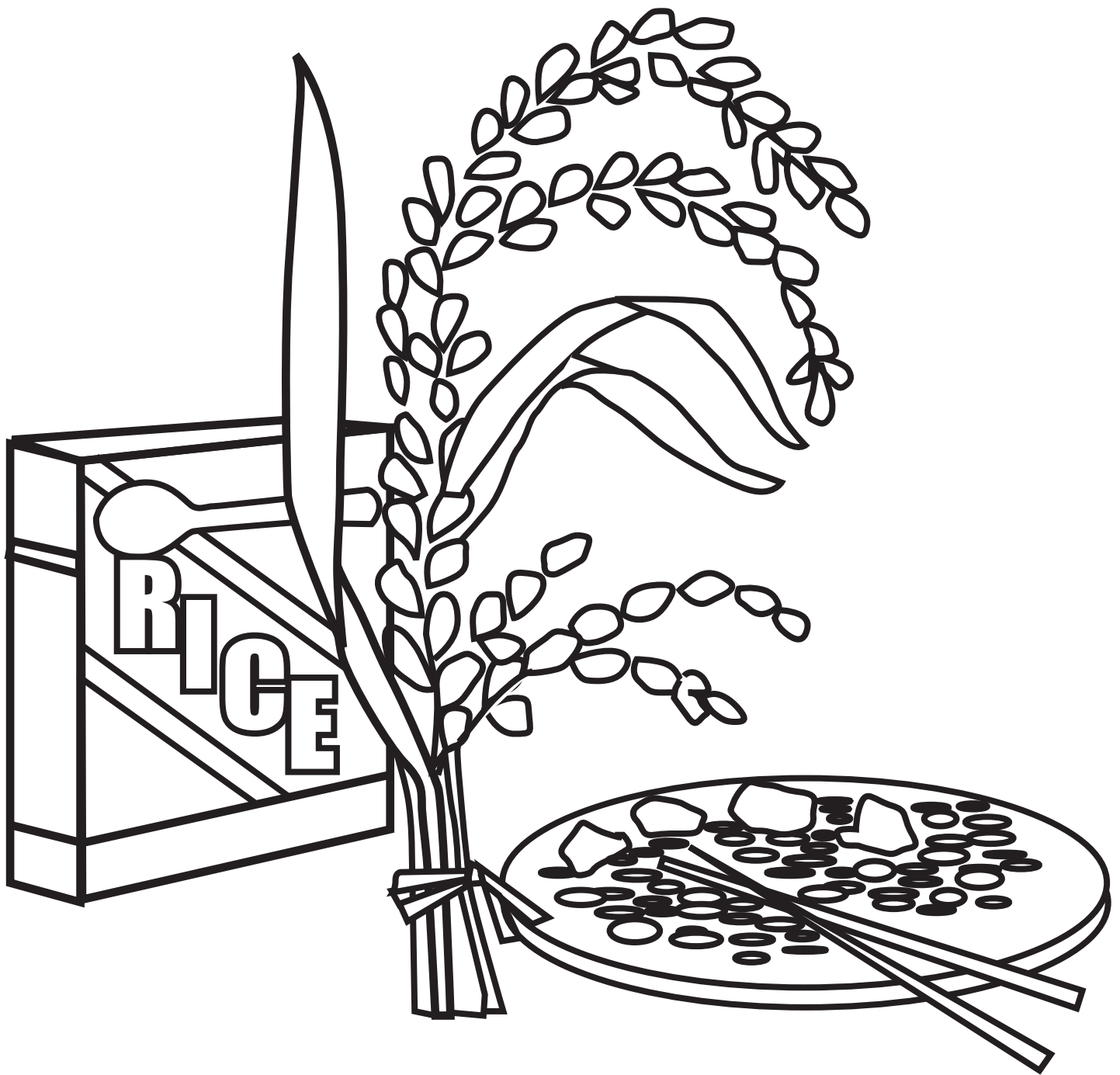
Q q is for quilt.

*A quilt is a warm blanket made from scraps of fabric.
The fabric may be cotton or wool. Cotton and wool come
from the farm.*



R is for rice.

Rice is a plant that grows in southeast Missouri. It is a wholesome and nutritious cereal grain.



S S is for soybeans.

A soybean plant produces a pod. Inside the pod are seeds called soybeans. Soybeans are used to make margarine, cooking oils, food products, chemicals, inks, soap and fuel.



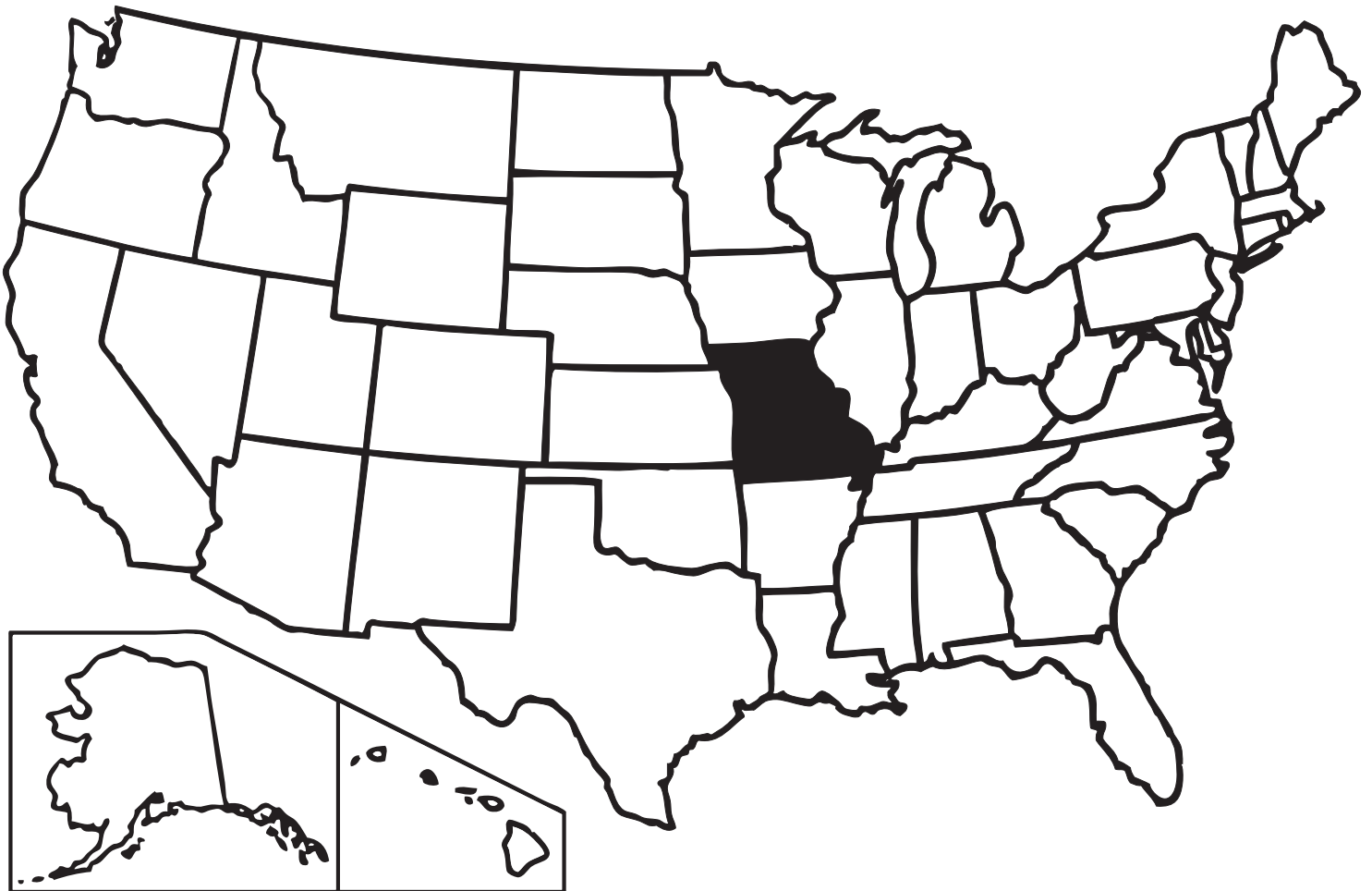
T **t** *is for trees.*

Trees are used to build houses, furniture and make paper. Trees also help beautify and protect the environment.



U U *is for the United States.*

Farmers live all over the U.S. They produce many different kinds of animals, grains and food. Farmers help to feed us and other people around the world.



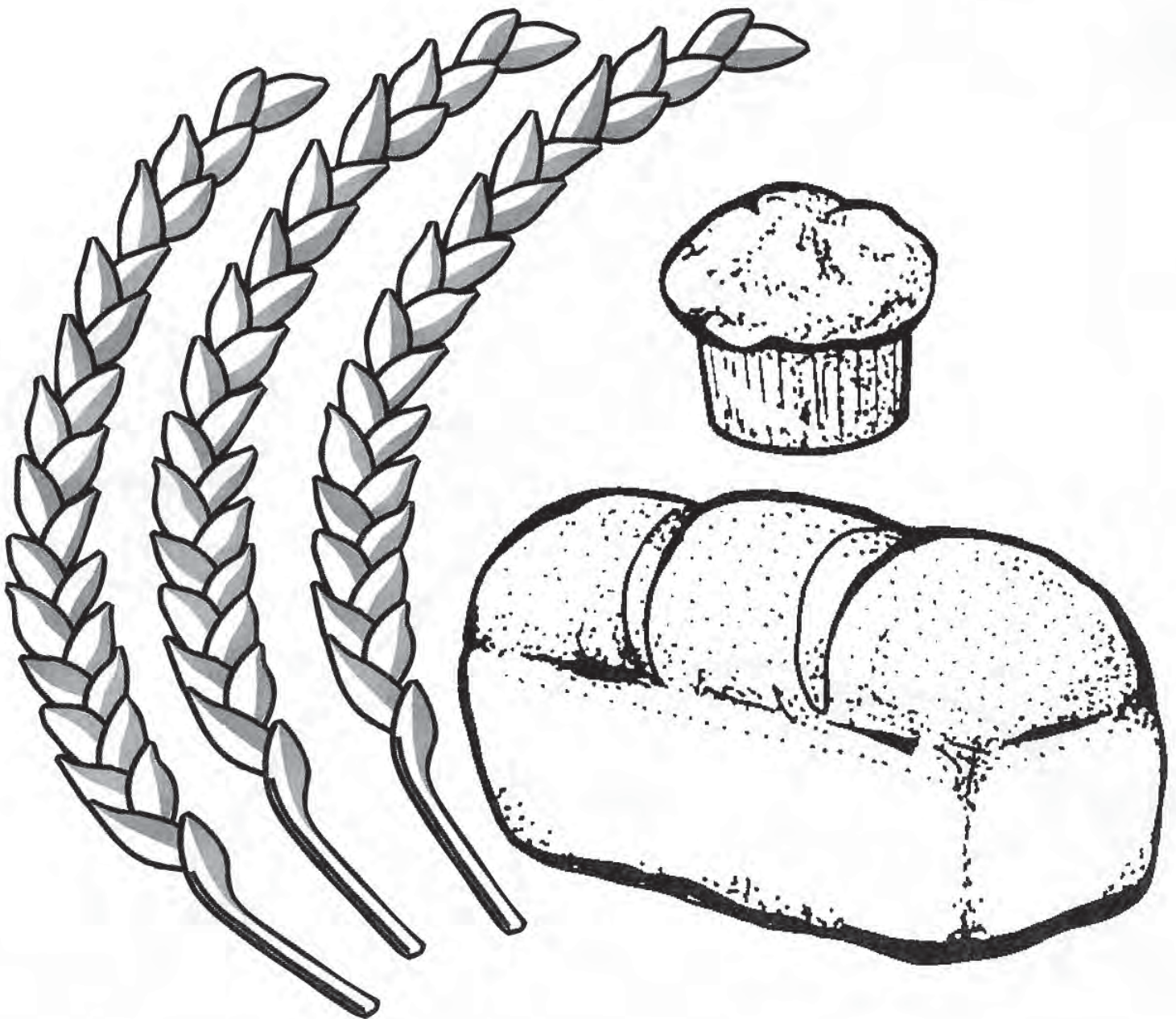
V **v** is for vegetable.

Farmers grow many kinds of vegetables like tomatoes, green beans, peppers, carrots and peas. Can you think of any other types of vegetables?



W w is for wheat.

Wheat is a grain crop grown by farmers. Wheat is made into flour. The flour is used to make foods like bread, muffins and cake.



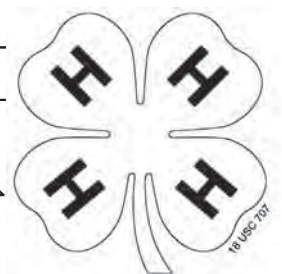
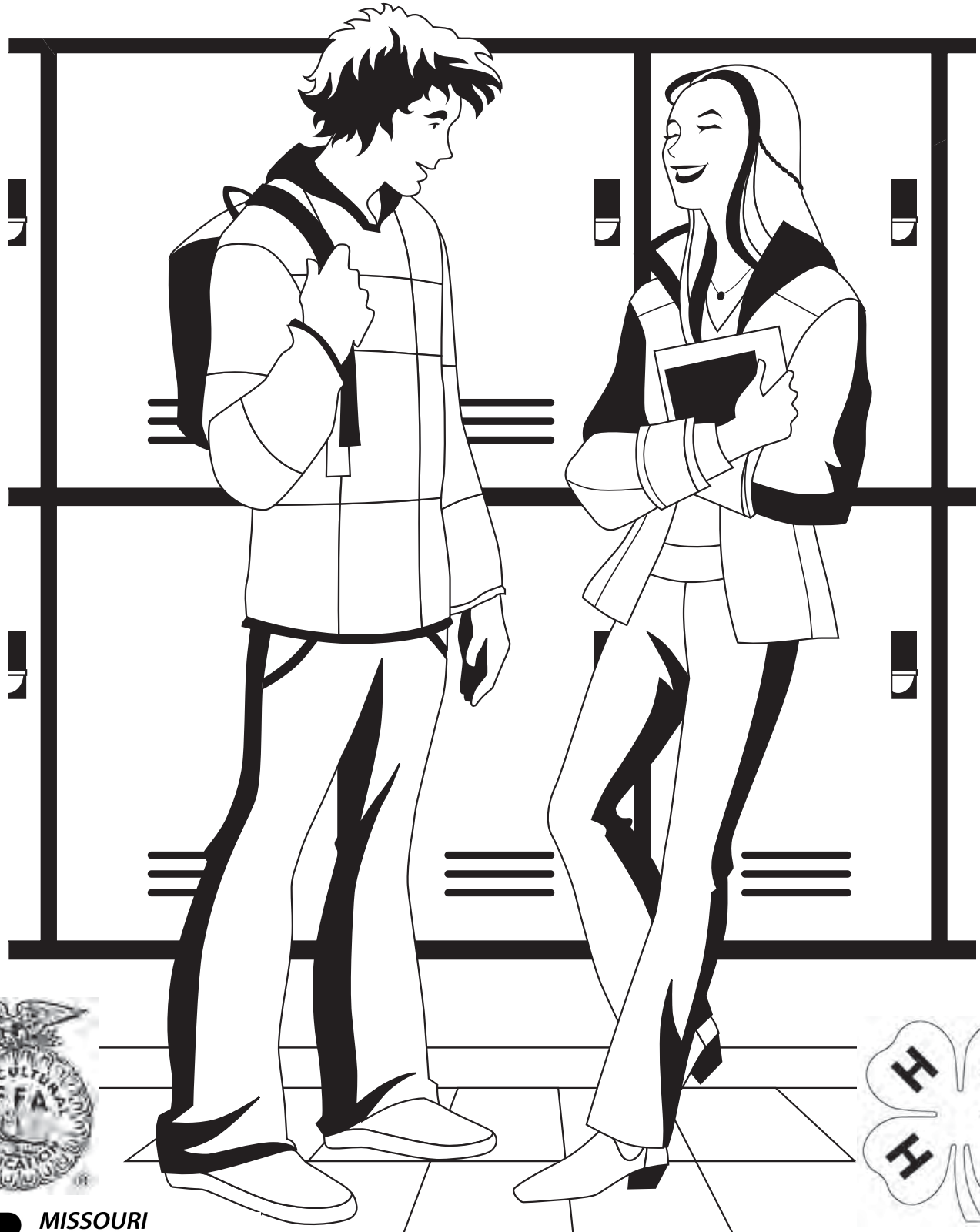
X is for *e*xtra time.

A farmer puts in lots of extra time and labor to supply the world with food and clothing.



Y **y** *is for youth.*

The future of agriculture is in today's youth. They have an important role in keeping agriculture flourishing.



Zz is for zoology.

Zoology is an agricultural career. A zoologist works with animals and animal life.

