

# Max the Fox

Book 61: **Max the Fox** (Text Level Code 80)

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## New letter

- x (uses two sounds /k/ /s/)

## New Words

- box, fox, Max

## Plot Summary

Pip and Sis are on the beach when a big box falls off a van onto the sand near them. They hear a voice coming from the box and get Sam to open the box. A fox jumps out! They see the van returning, so Sam puts a rock in the box and nails it shut. They hide when the man from the van picks up the box. After the van has gone, they all relax on the beach together.

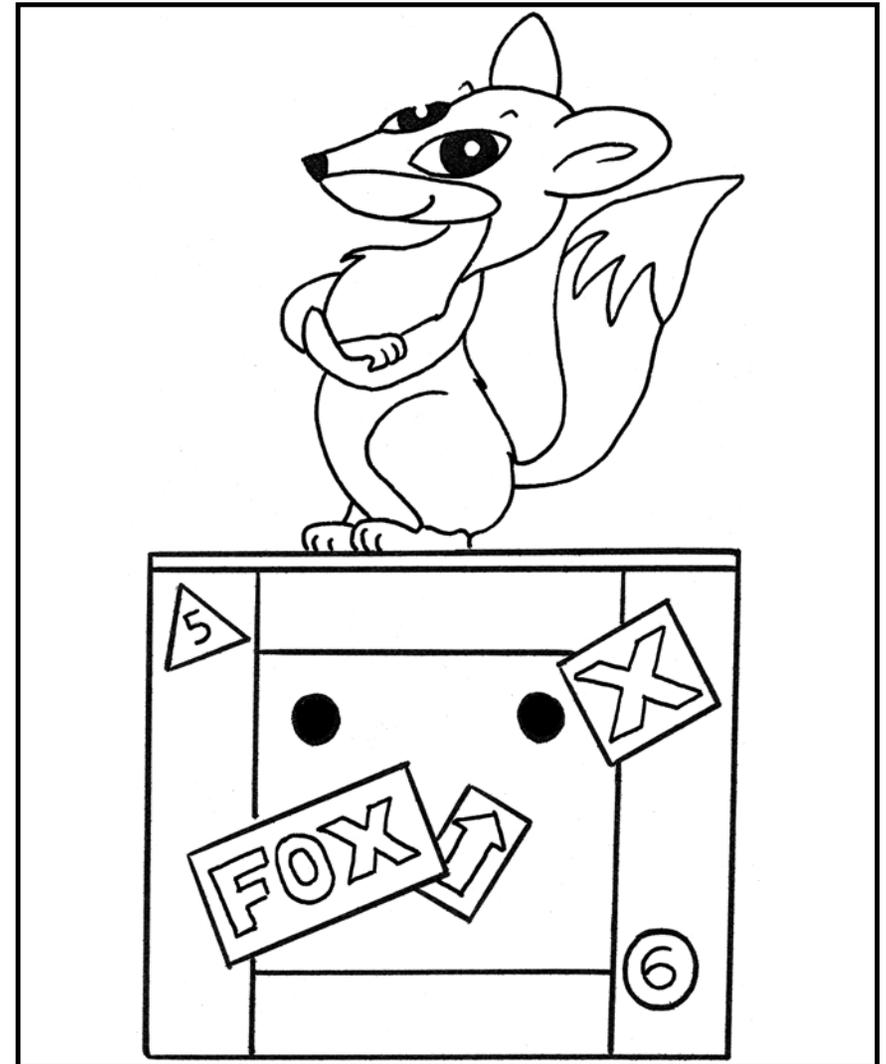
## Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 2: Where does Pip and Sis find the box?
2. page 3: How many animal stickers can you see on the box?
3. page 6: What does Sam use to open the box?
4. page 10: Why does Sam put a rock into the box?
5. page 12: What does Sam do after he closes the box?

Each new word throughout the program is repeated at least five times in the book in which it first appears and five more times in the next ten books.

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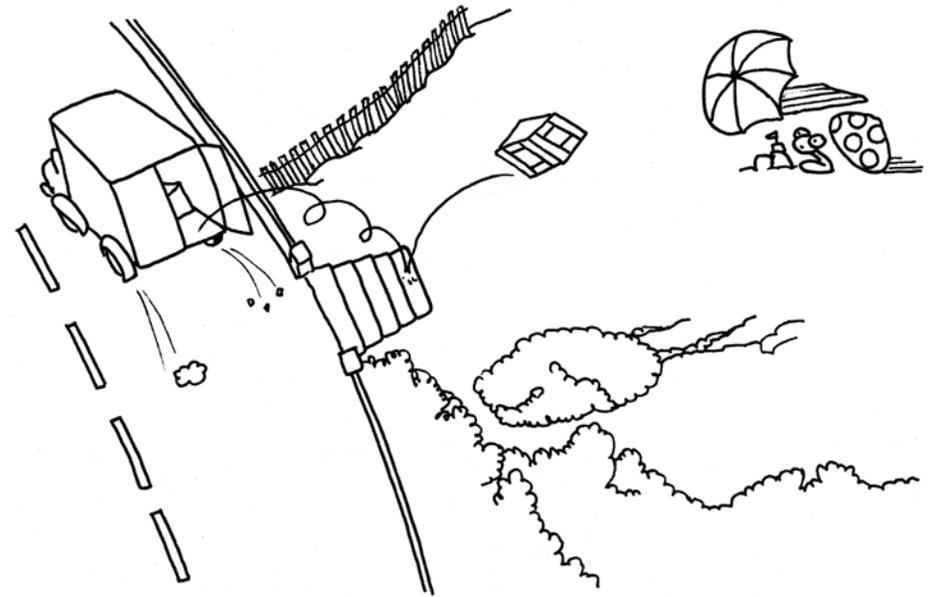
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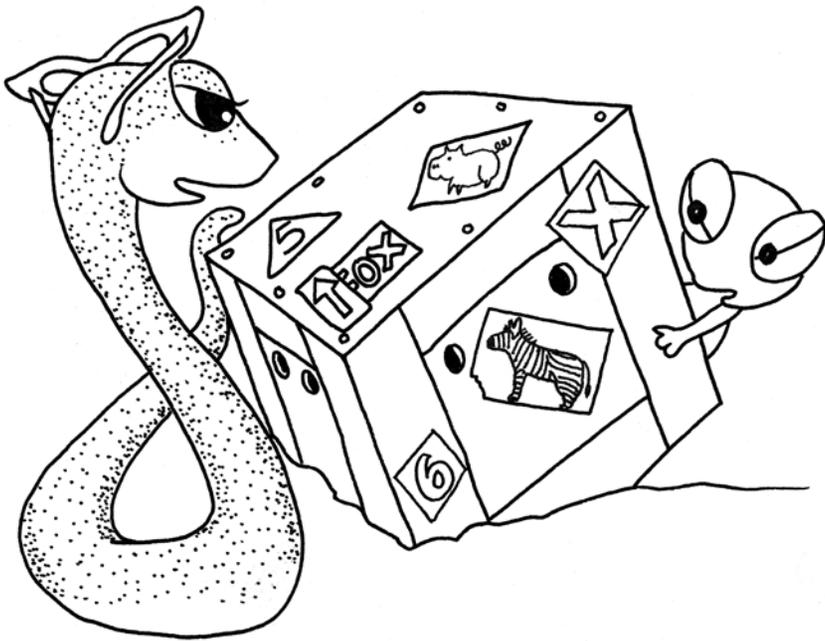
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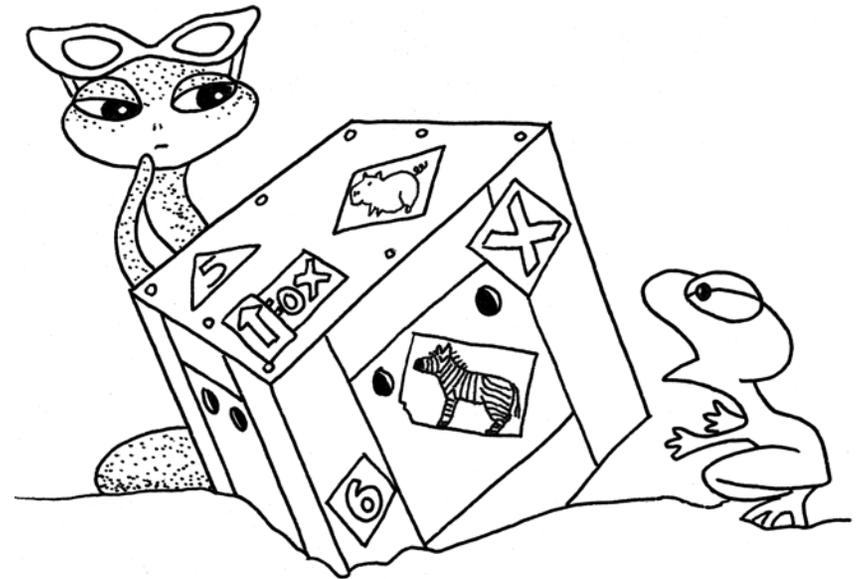
Pip the Frog and Sis sit in the sun.



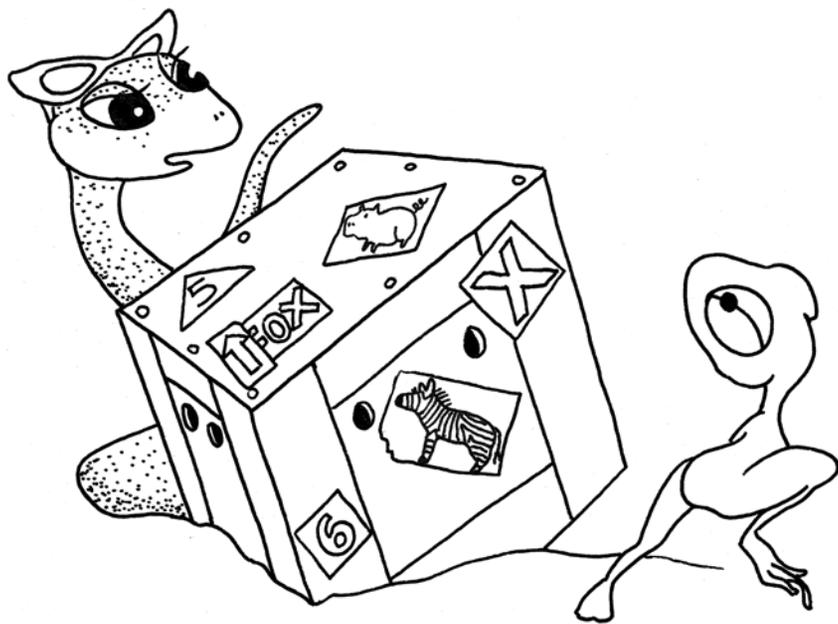
“See that van, Sis.  
A box is on the sand.”



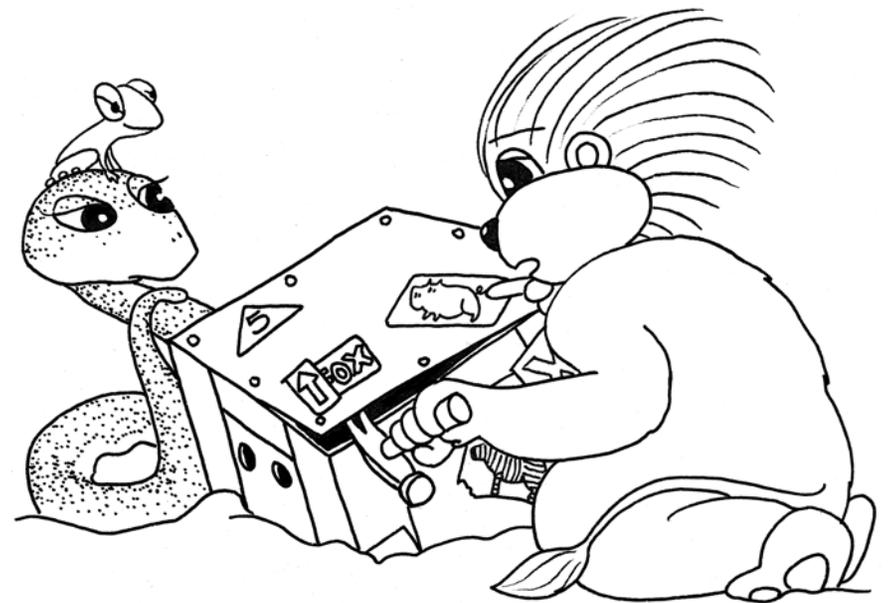
“What is in the box?  
This is a five.”  
“That is a zebra.”



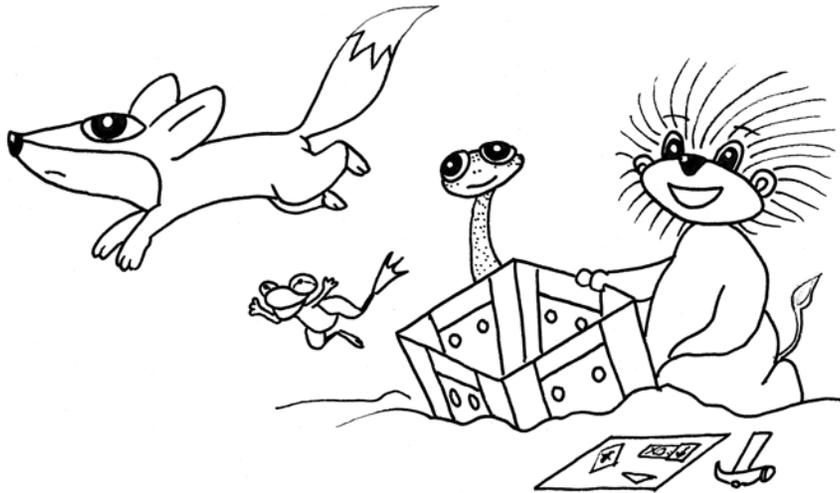
“Help! Help me!”  
“Who is in the box?  
Is a zebra in the box?”



“No! A zebra needs a bigger box.  
Hop to Sam. Ask if he will help.”



“Help! This box is hot.”  
“Is it a pig in the box?”



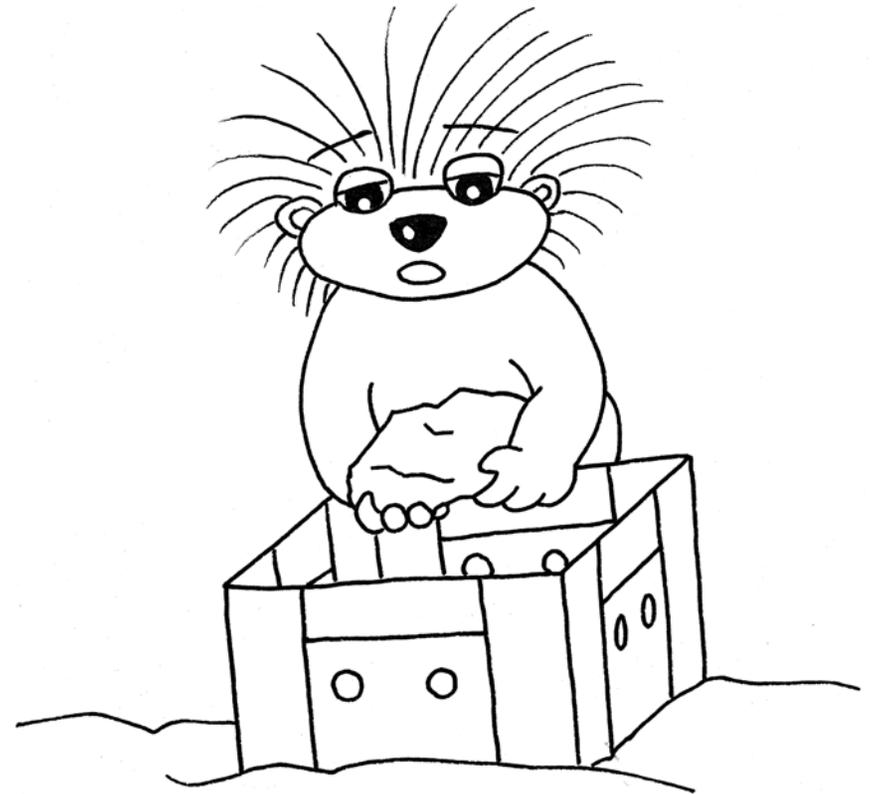
“It is a fox in the box.”



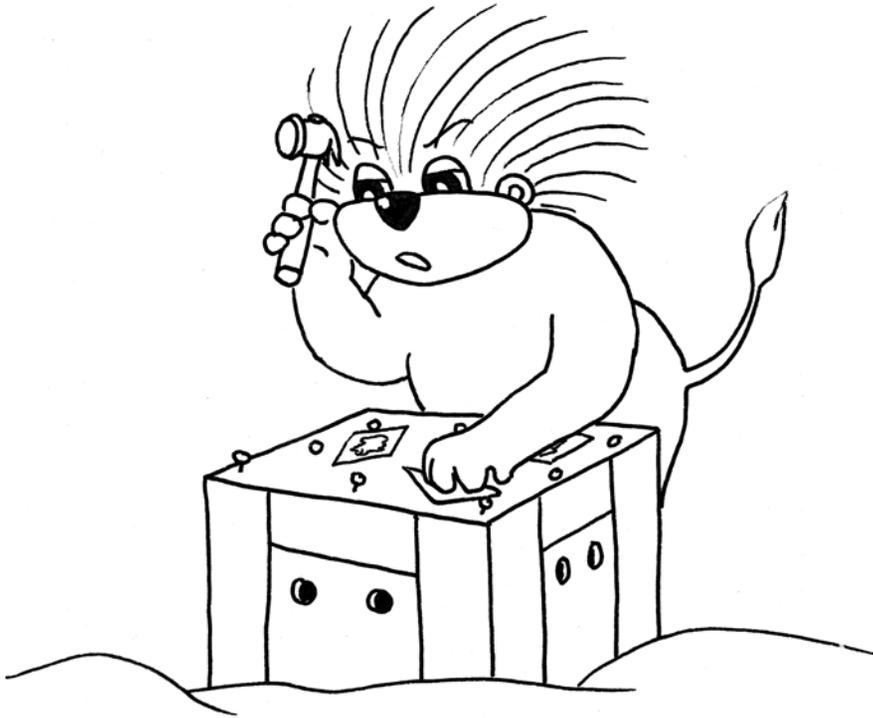
“I am Max the Fox.  
A very bad man had me go in that box.”



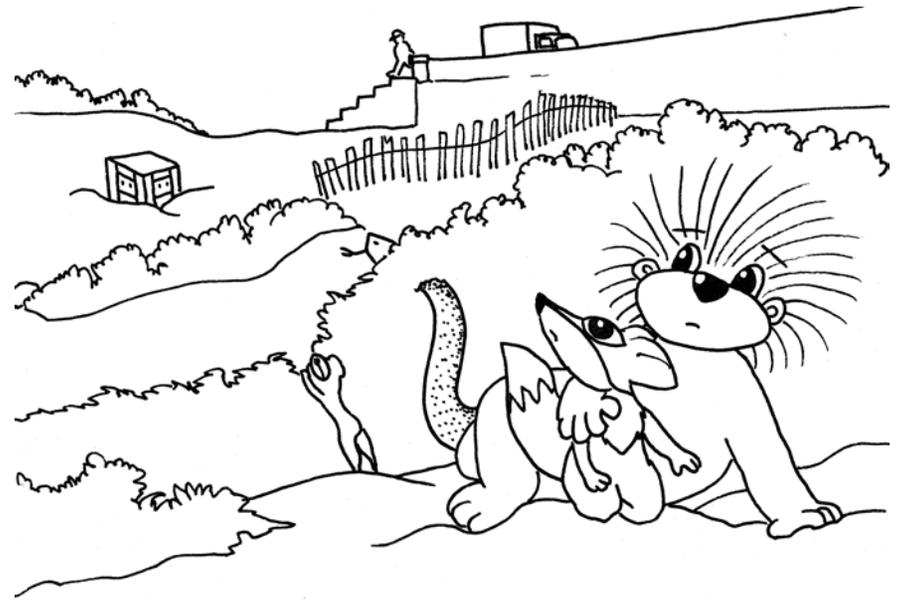
“See the van.  
The bad man will be back.  
He will get me to go in the box.”



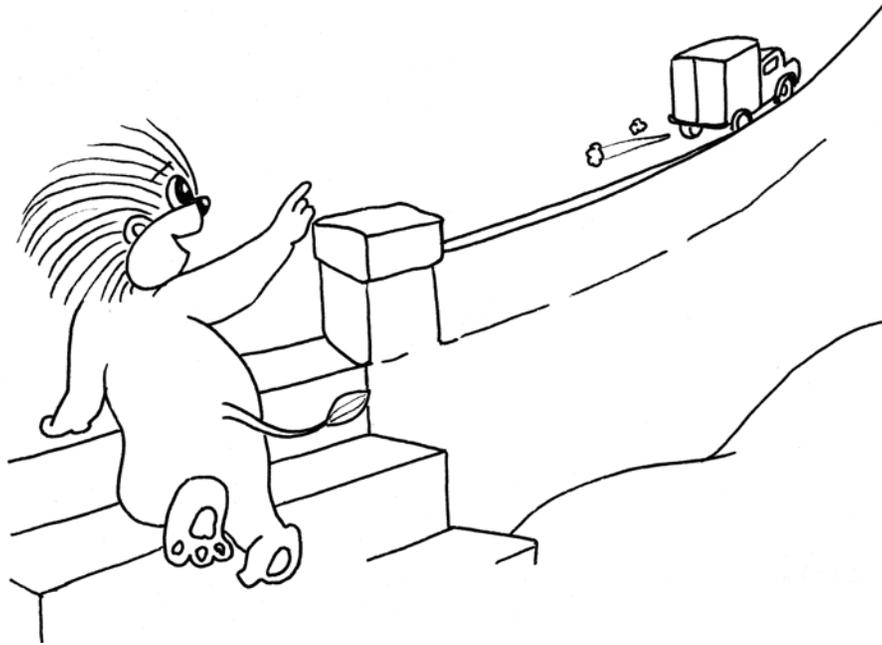
“We will fill the box with this.  
We need to be fast.”



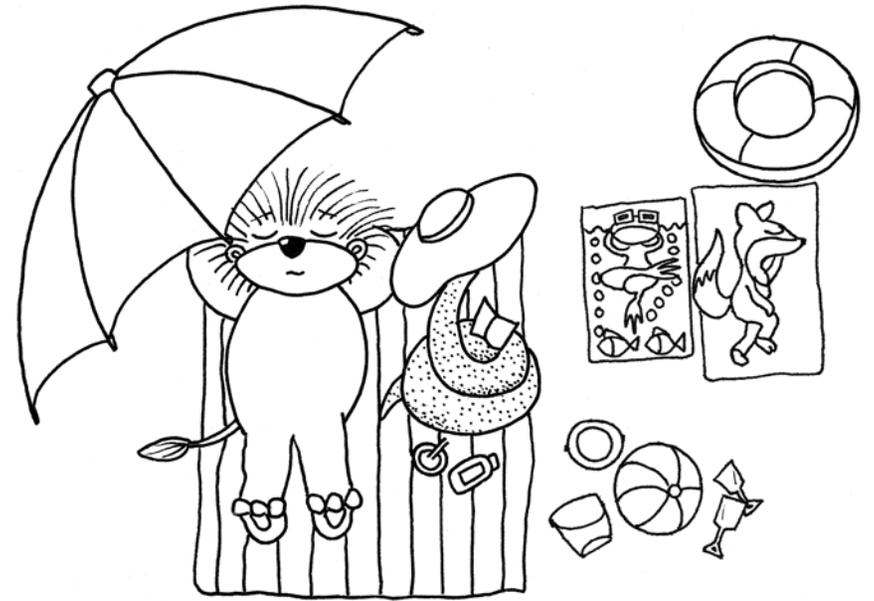
“Max will not go back  
in this hot box.”



Max is not in the box.  
Max the Fox hid with  
Sam, Pip and Sis.



“The box is back on the van.  
Max the Fox is not in the box.”



Sam, Sis and Pip sit in the sun with  
Max the Fox.