



The Bird

Book 75: The Bird (Text Level Code 111)

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Reviewed Sound

- /ur/ - 'r' controlled vowel

New Words

- bird, dirt, head, nest

Level 19 Review Words

- for

Plot Summary

Max and Mat notice the king's crown is messy. Sis says she saw a bird putting weeds and dirt on the king's head, so Max and Mat decide to catch the bird. In fact, the bird has built a nest on the king's statue. After she and her babies leave the nest, Max and Mat can keep the statue clean again.

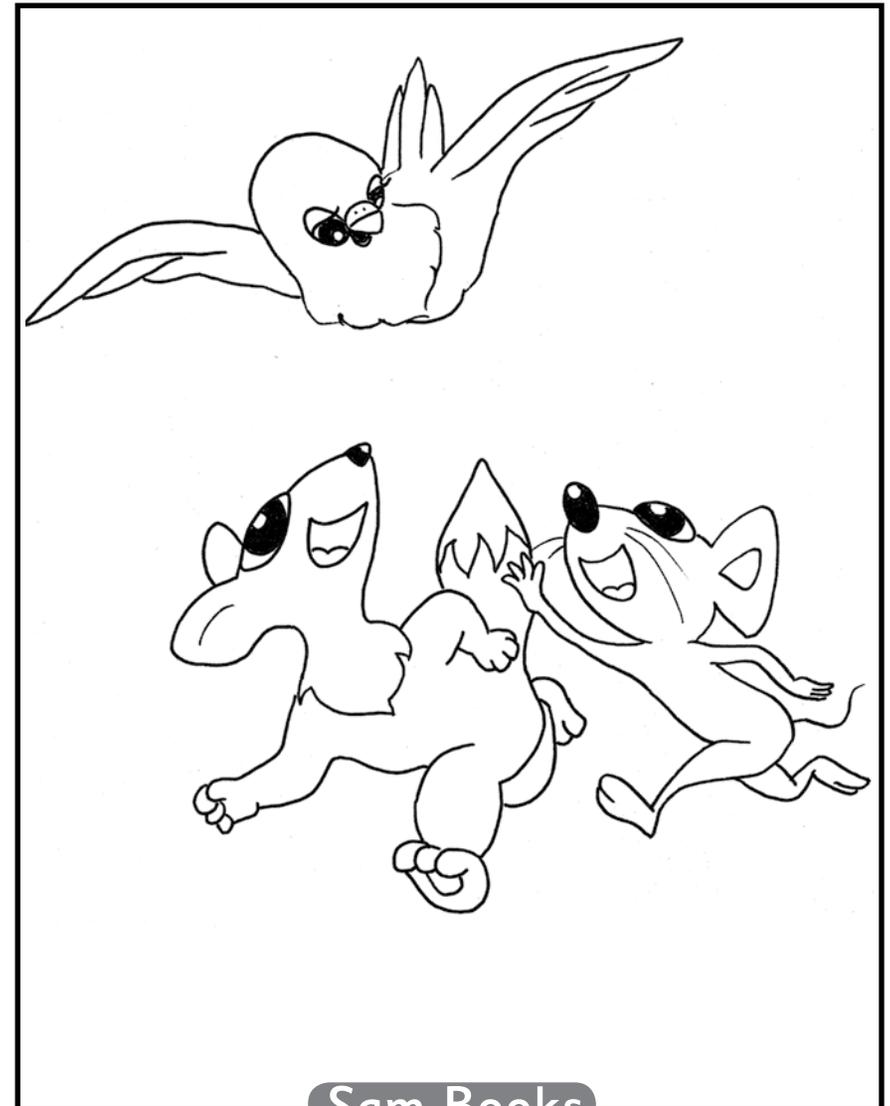
Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 2: Where can you find Sis the Snake?
2. page 4: Who set weeds and dirt on the king's statue?
3. page 5: What does Max and Mat use to catch the bird?
4. page 9: What is that mess on the king's head?
5. page 12: What happens to the eggs in the bird's nest?

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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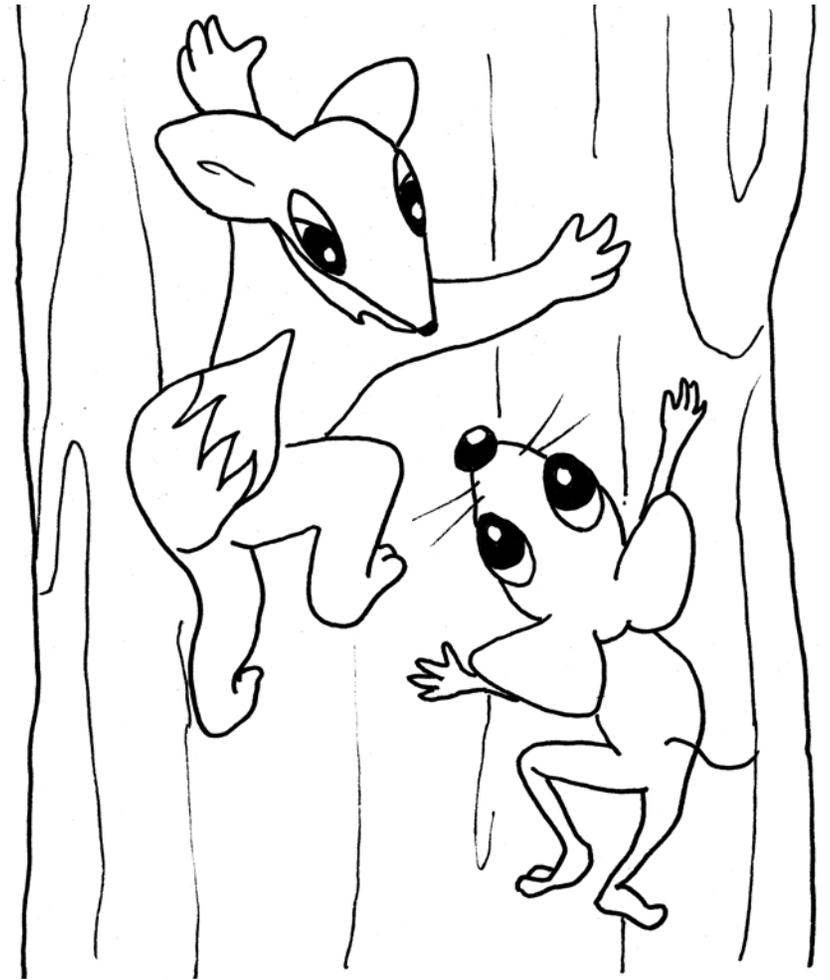
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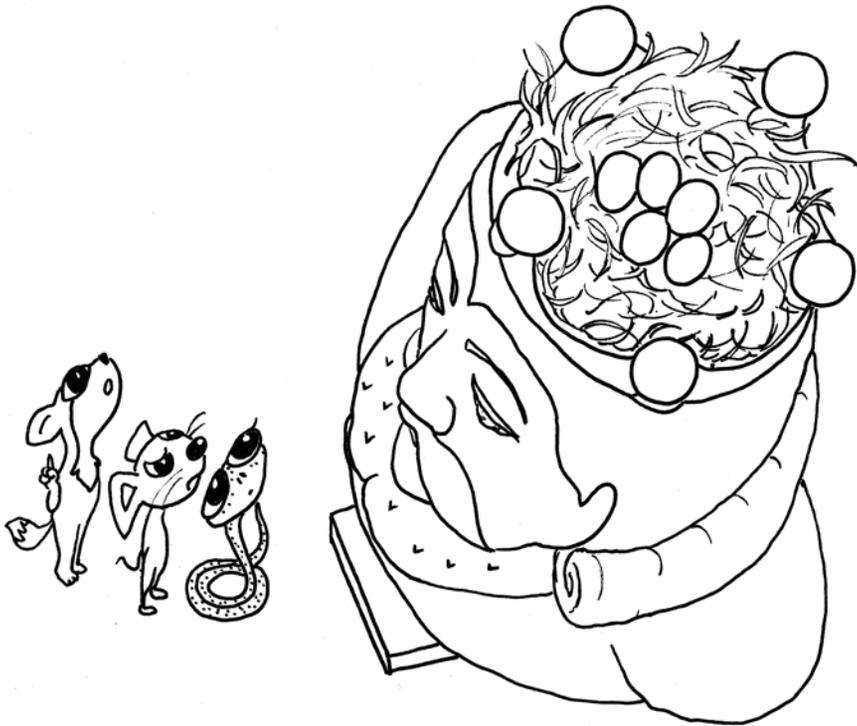
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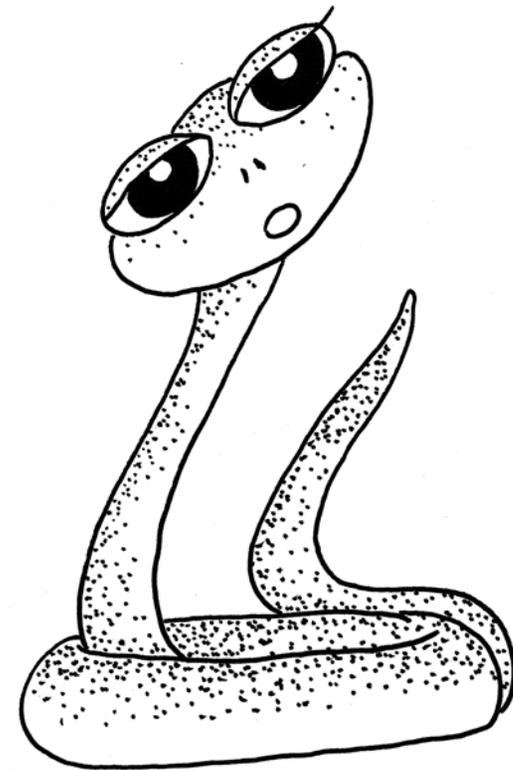
“I like the statue,” says Mat.
“What is that on the king’s head?
I see weeds and dirt on the head,”
says Max.



“Who made a mess on the statue’s
head?” Says Max.
“Let’s ask Sis the Snake. She likes to lay
in the sun under the statue,” says Mat.



“Sis, see the mess on the statue’s head?”
“Who did it?”



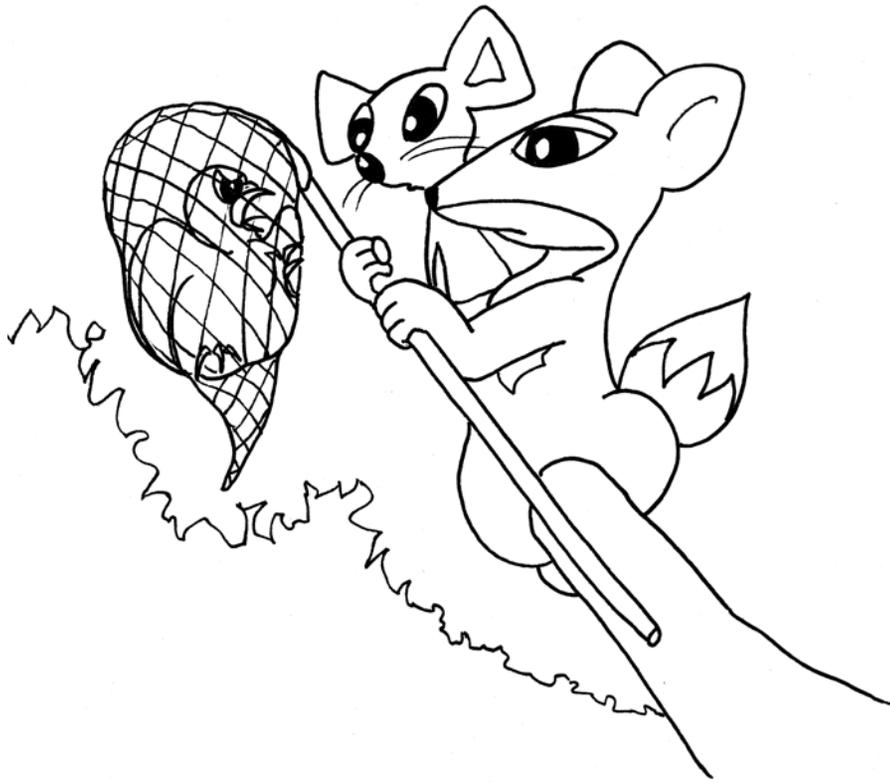
“I see a bird on the statue
as I lay in the sun. The bird sets weeds
and dirt on the head.”



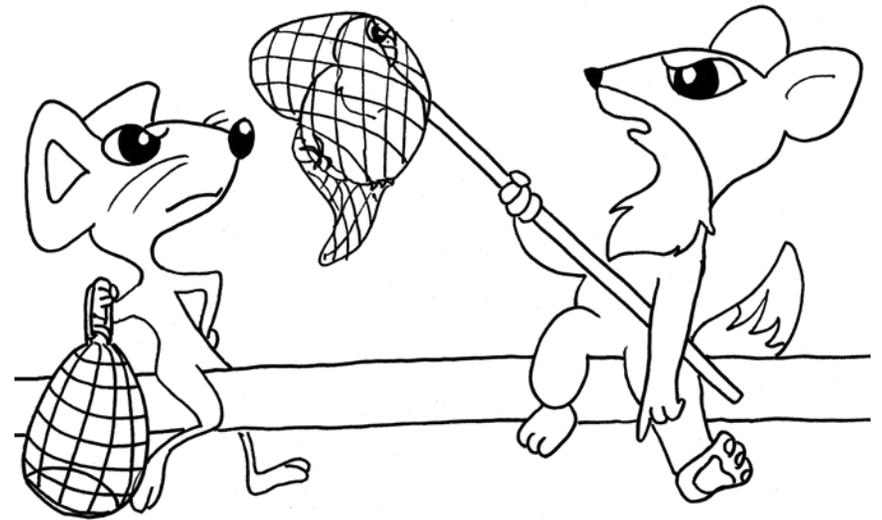
Then they hid in the tree.
They will use a net to get the bird.



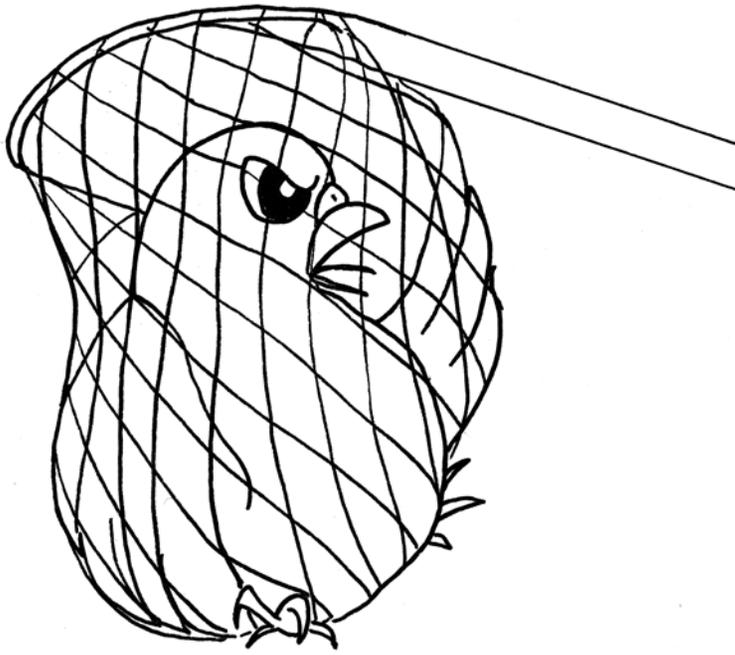
“I see a bird,
but she has no weeds and dirt.
She sings a song.”



“Let me go!
I need to go back to my nest.
I need to check my eggs.”



“You make a mess on the king’s head.
We cannot let you go.
You will set weeds and dirt on the statue.”



“They are not weeds and dirt!
It is my nest on the kings’ head.
I laid eggs.
I need to go back to my nest.”



They let the bird go back to her nest.
She sits on her eggs.



“Today, we will check on the bird,”
says Max.

“I see her at her nest on the king’s
head,” says Mat.



“See the birds fly high in the sky.”



The bird has no need for the nest.
The statue is not in a mess.