This packet contains several Wisconsin amimals. Hide them around the house and task kids with becoming scientists and looking for the critters.

Once found, they can look up facts about the animals and maybe even get to create a whole new species!

We need your help!

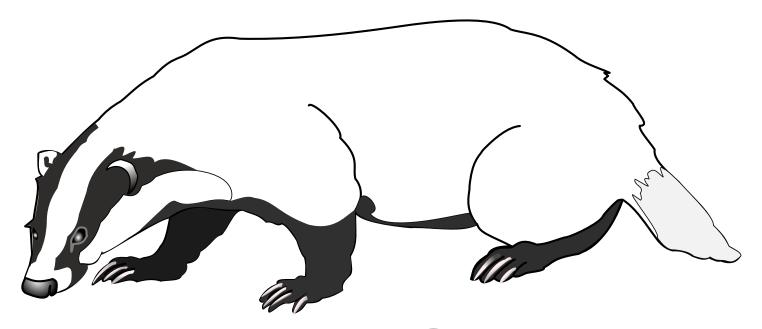
You were recommended as one of the top biologists in Wisconsin and we need your help studying the area to see what animal species are around right now. This information will help us conserve local wildlife and habitat.

Search for animals in your home. Once you find them you can help by telling us a bit more about each one. If you find a new species, make sure to give it a name and tell us as much about it as you can about the animal.

Thank you for your help!

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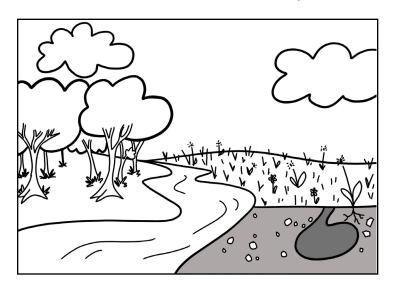
American Badger (Taxidea taxus)

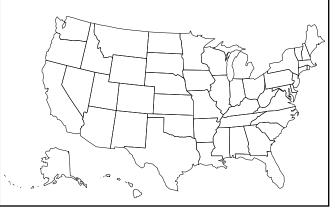


What does	this	species	eat?
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Badgers are nocturnal,
meaning they are most active at
night and sleep during the day.

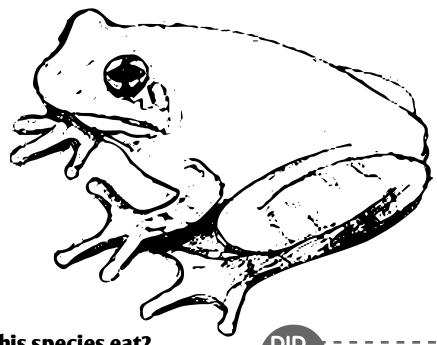
Habitat: Circle the areas where this species lives.





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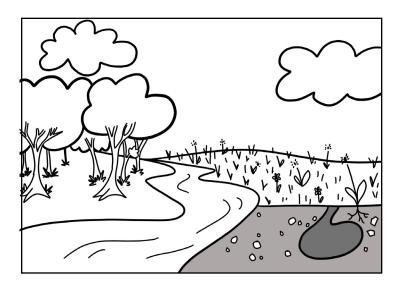
Gray Treefrog (Hyla versicolor)

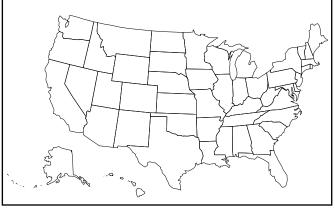


What does this species eat?

During hibernation, 80 percent of their body freezes!

Habitat: Circle the areas where this species lives.

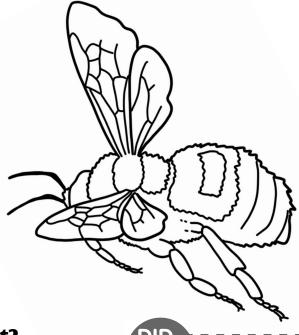




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Rusty Patched Bumble Bee (Bombus affinis)

Status: Endangered

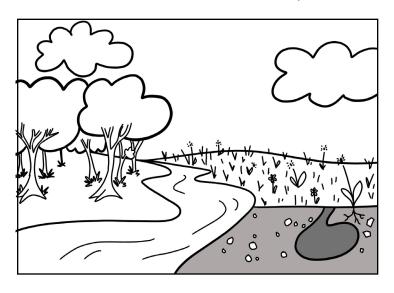


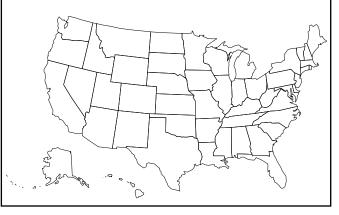
What does this species eat?

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One of the first bumble bees to emerge in spring and the last to go into hibernation in the fall.

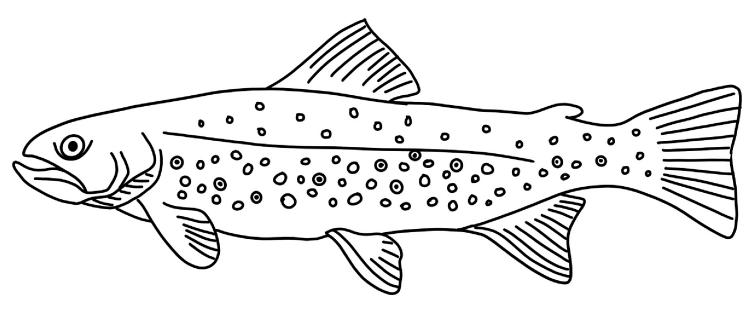
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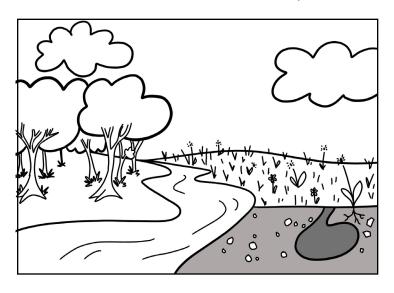
Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis)

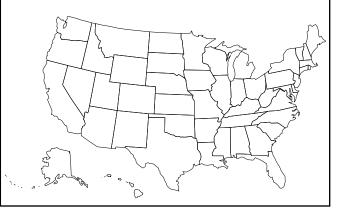


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Although it is called a trout, it is actually a char and is part of the salmon family of fish.

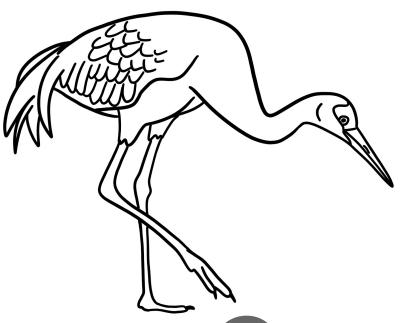
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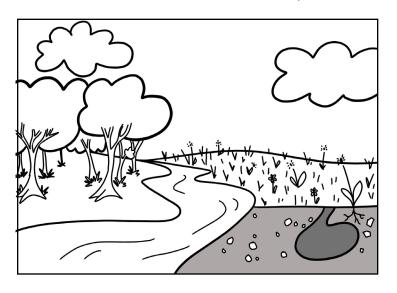
Sandhill Crane (Antigone canadensis)

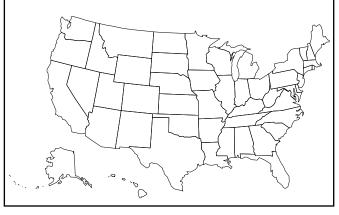


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During migration, these cranes may travel more than 200 miles a day.

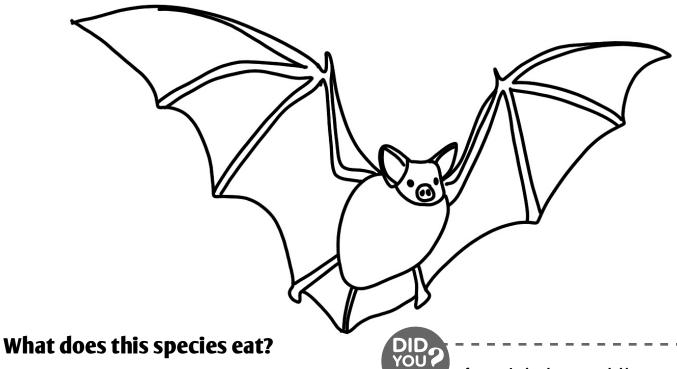
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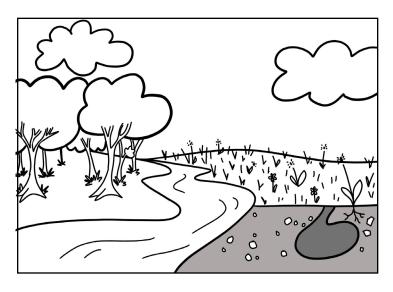
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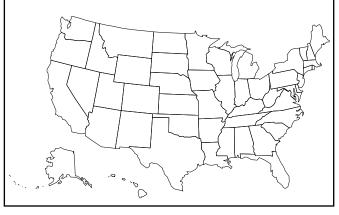
Little Brown Bat (Myotis lucifugus)



A single bat can eat thousands of mosquitoes and flying insects in one night.

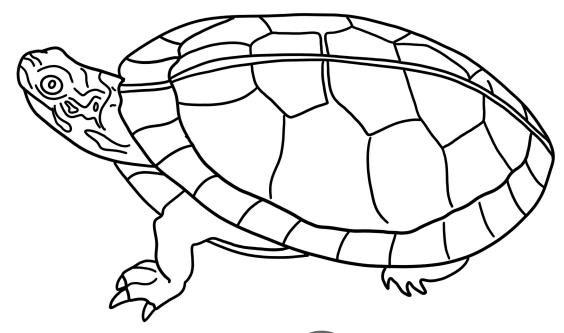
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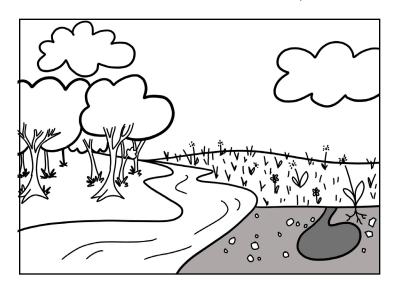
Painted Turtle (Chrysemys picta)

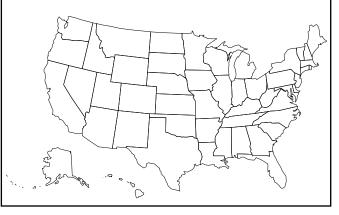


what does this species eat?	

During hibernation they stay under water for up to five months, holding their breath longer than any other air-breathing vertebrate.

Habitat: Circle the areas where this species lives.





You've discovered a **new species!** Give it a name, draw it and tell us about your animal below!

What does	this	species	eat?
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Habitat: Circle the areas where this species lives.

