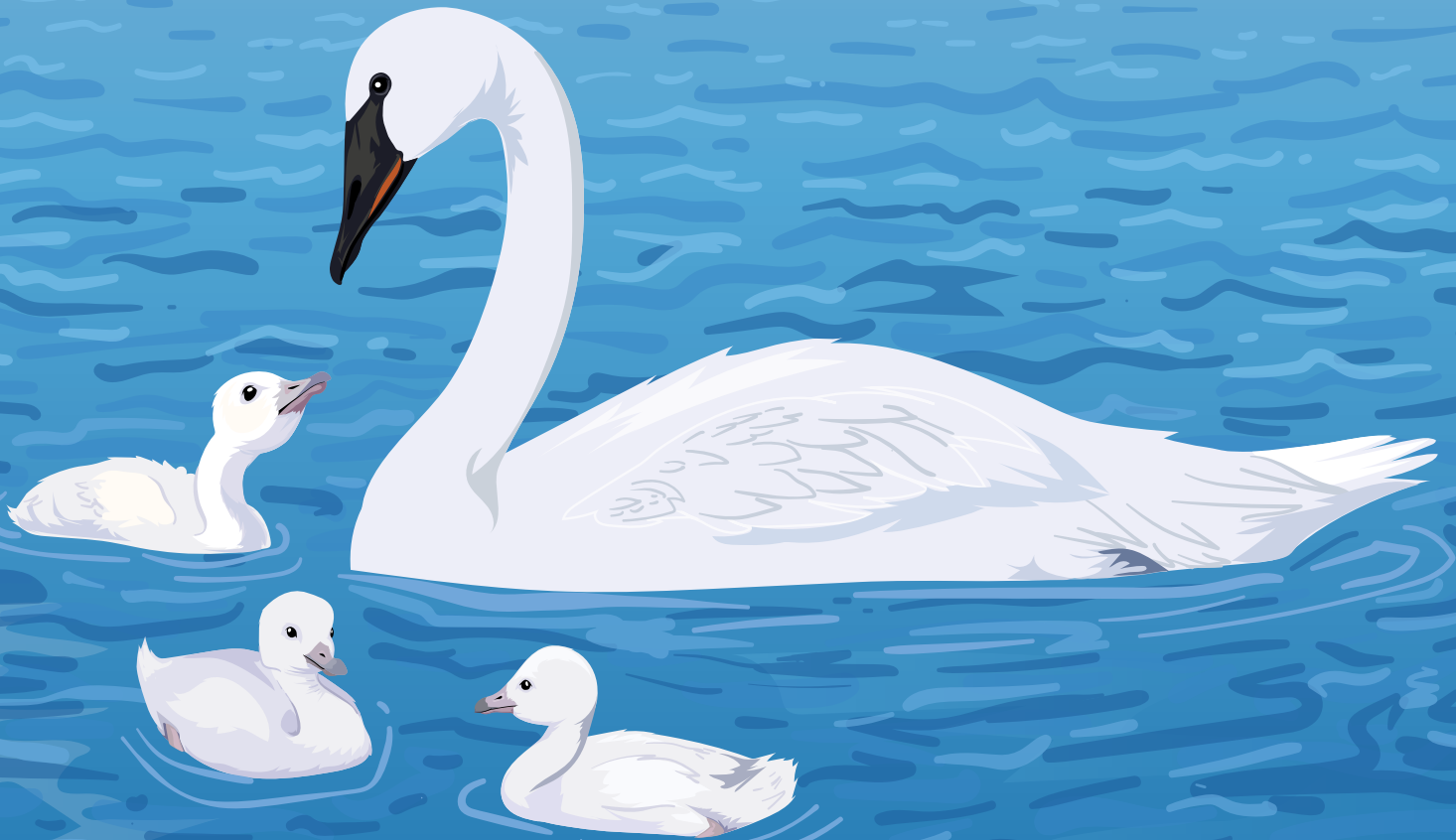


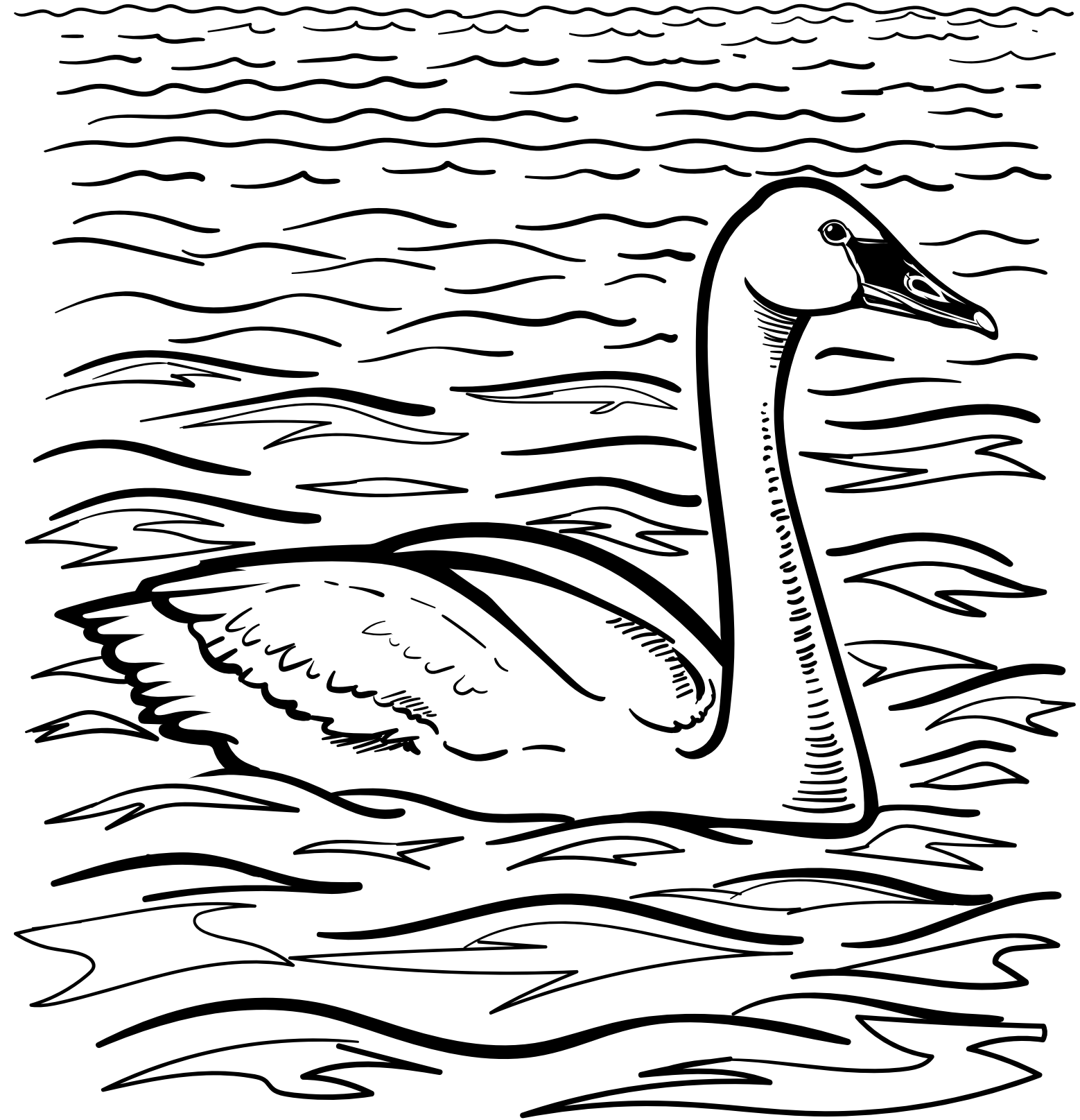
# Nature Explorers

## Trumpeter Swans



Coloring & Activity Book – K-2

# Nature Explorers: Trumpeter Swans



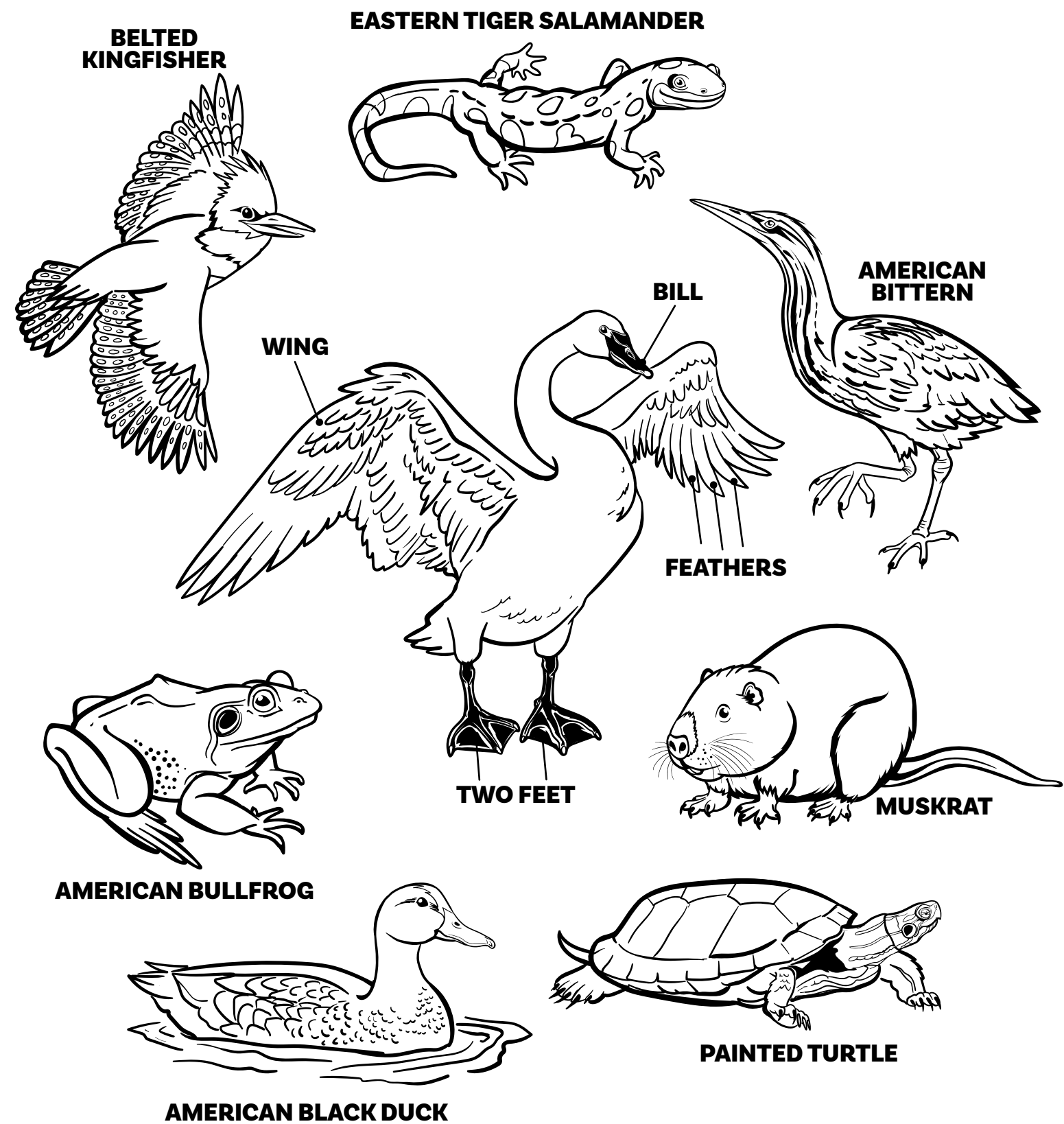
QR codes have been added to this book with links to audio/video clips related to trumpeter swans. Please only use these codes with adult approval.

# Come Explore Trumpeter Swans With Us!



# What Is A Bird?

Circle the animals that are birds.



AMERICAN BLACK DUCK

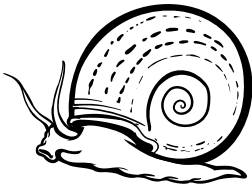
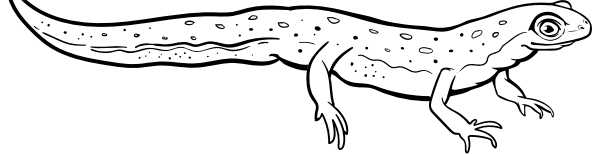


# Who Lays Eggs?

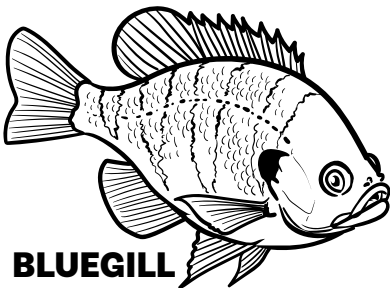
All birds lay eggs,  
but they are not the only ones!  
Circle all the animals that lay eggs.



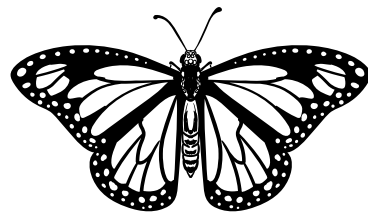
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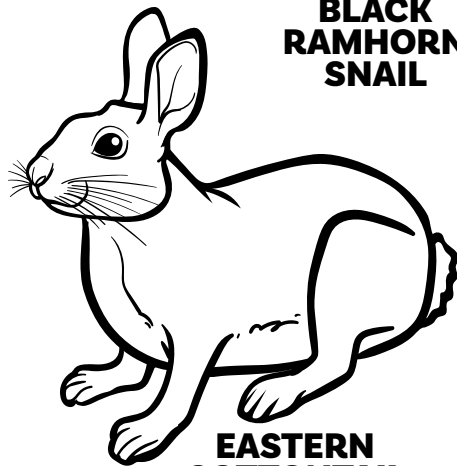
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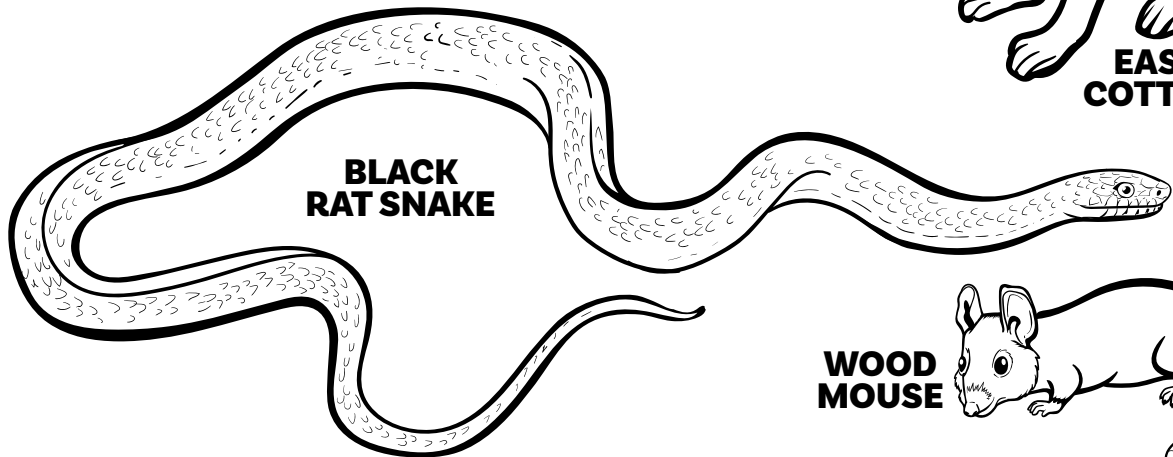
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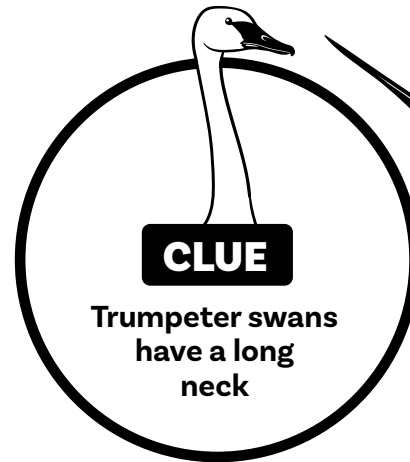
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# Which Bird Is A Trumpeter Swan?

Circle the trumpeter swan.



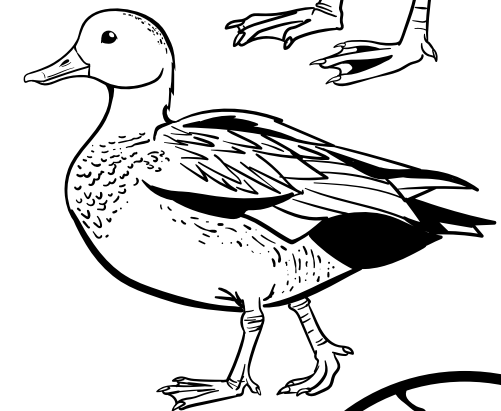
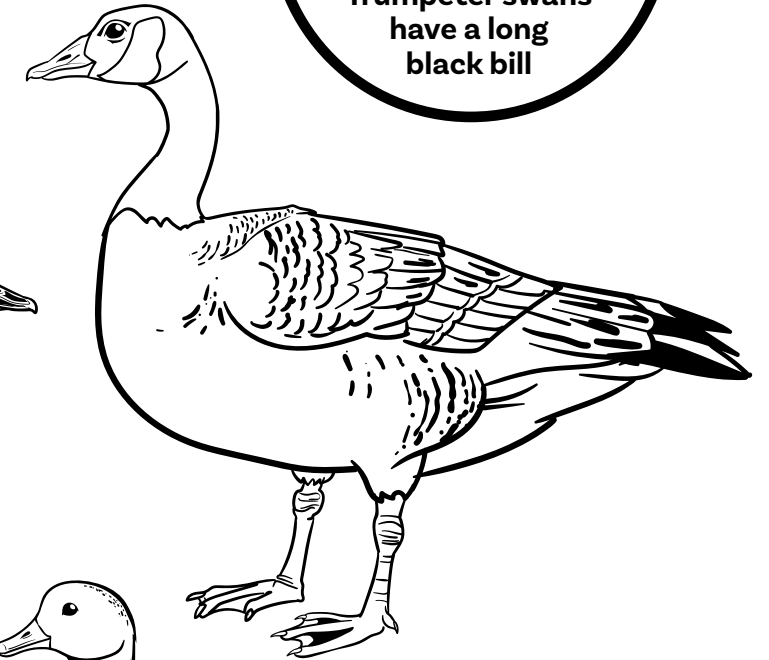
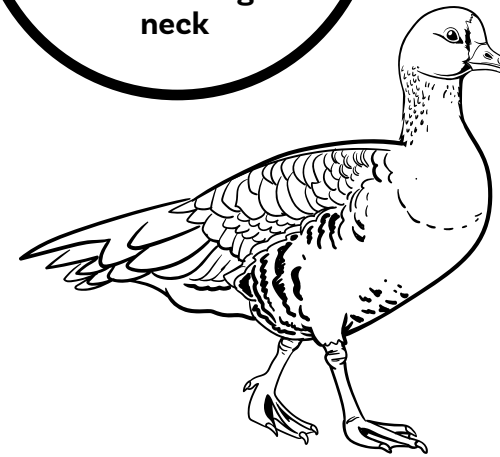
**CLUE**

Trumpeter swans  
have a long  
neck



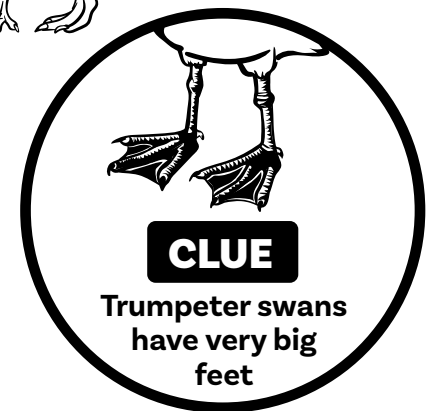
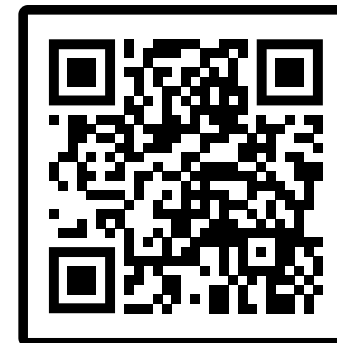
**CLUE**

Trumpeter swans  
have a long  
black bill



**SCAN ME**

to listen to the sounds of  
trumpeter swans to hear  
how they get their name.



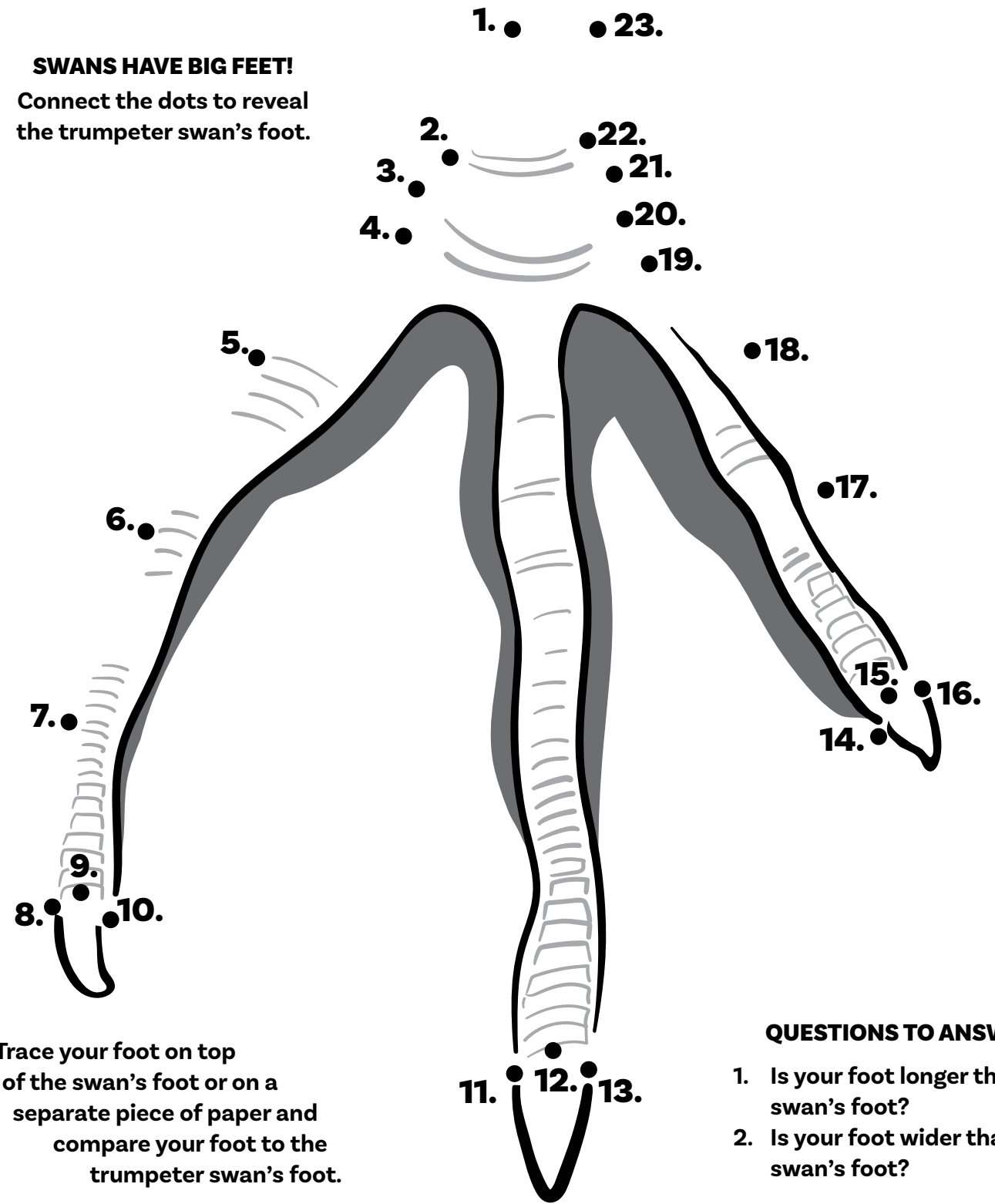
**CLUE**

Trumpeter swans  
have very big  
feet

# Dot-To-Dot

## SWANS HAVE BIG FEET!

Connect the dots to reveal the trumpeter swan's foot.



Trace your foot on top of the swan's foot or on a separate piece of paper and compare your foot to the trumpeter swan's foot.

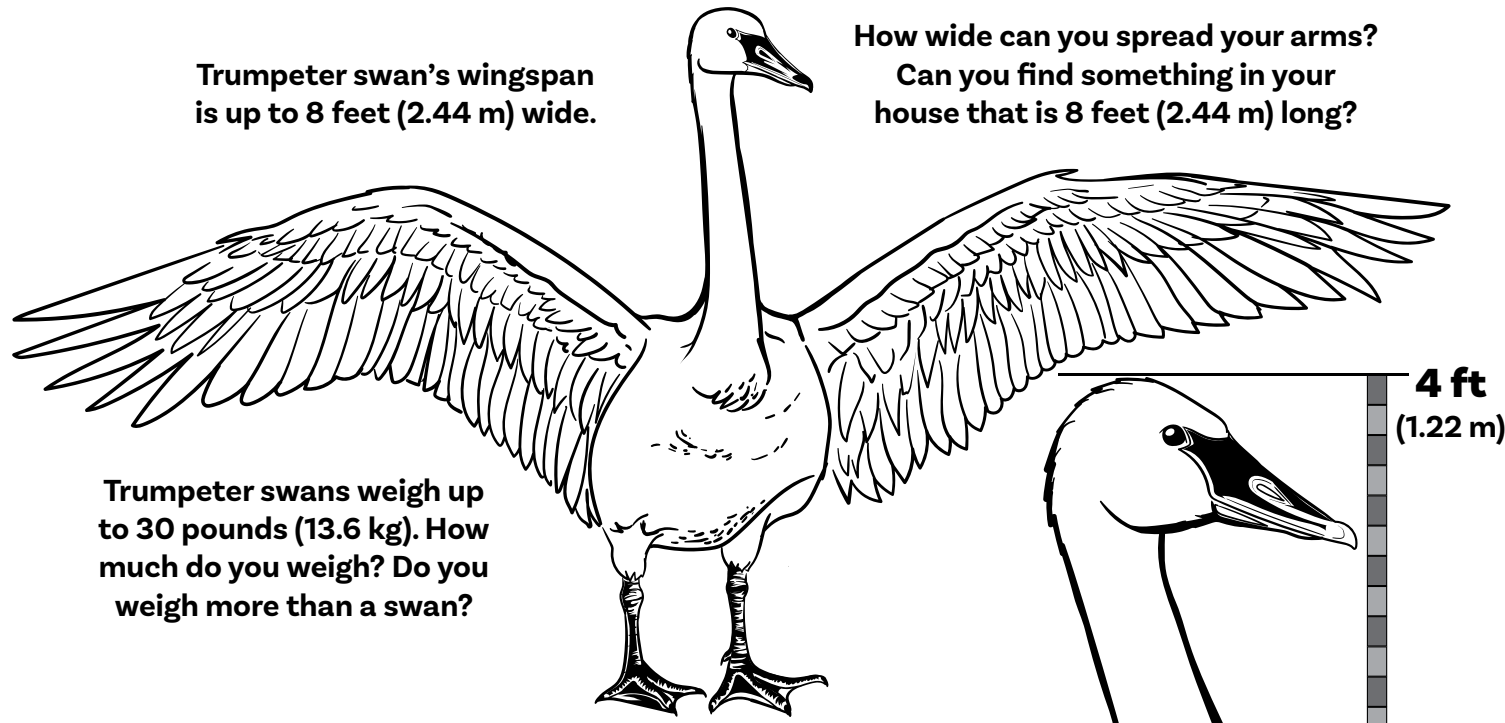
### QUESTIONS TO ANSWER

1. Is your foot longer than a swan's foot?
2. Is your foot wider than a swan's foot?



Trumpeter swan's wingspan is up to 8 feet (2.44 m) wide.

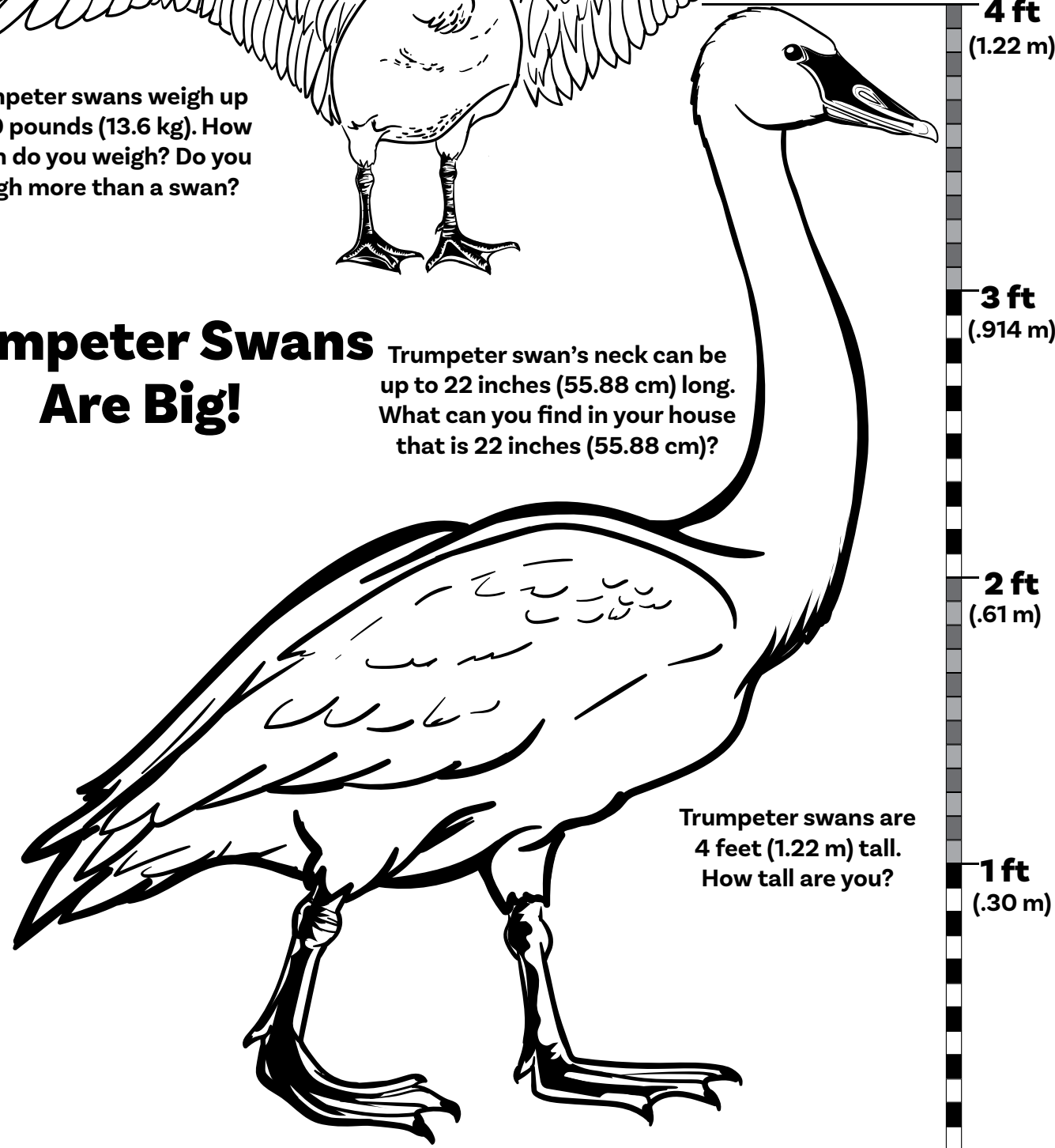
How wide can you spread your arms?  
Can you find something in your house that is 8 feet (2.44 m) long?



Trumpeter swans weigh up to 30 pounds (13.6 kg). How much do you weigh? Do you weigh more than a swan?

## Trumpeter Swans Are Big!

Trumpeter swan's neck can be up to 22 inches (55.88 cm) long. What can you find in your house that is 22 inches (55.88 cm)?



Trumpeter swans are 4 feet (1.22 m) tall. How tall are you?



# Trumpeter Swan Life Cycle

Number the pictures 1-5 to put the trumpeter swan's life cycle in order.

Five circular illustrations of the Trumpeter Swan life cycle stages, each with a small empty circle next to it for labeling:

- Top left: An adult Trumpeter Swan standing.
- Top right: A chick hatching from an egg on a nest.
- Middle left: A young cygnet walking.
- Middle right: A nest containing several eggs.
- Bottom right: A cracked egg on a nest.

**SCAN ME**

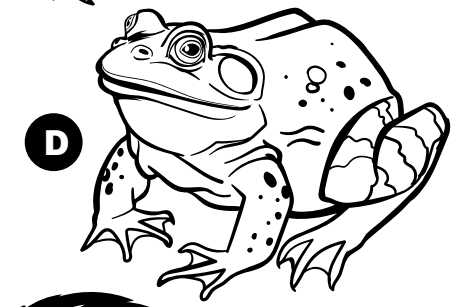
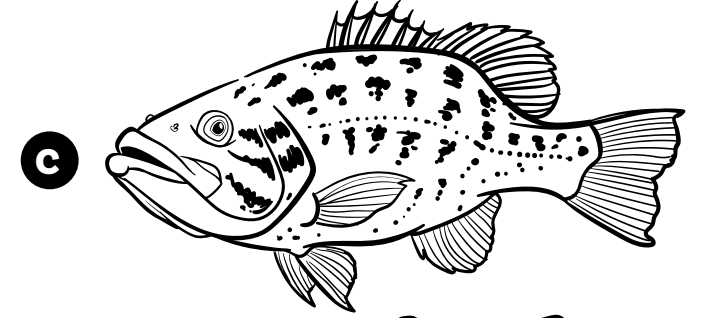
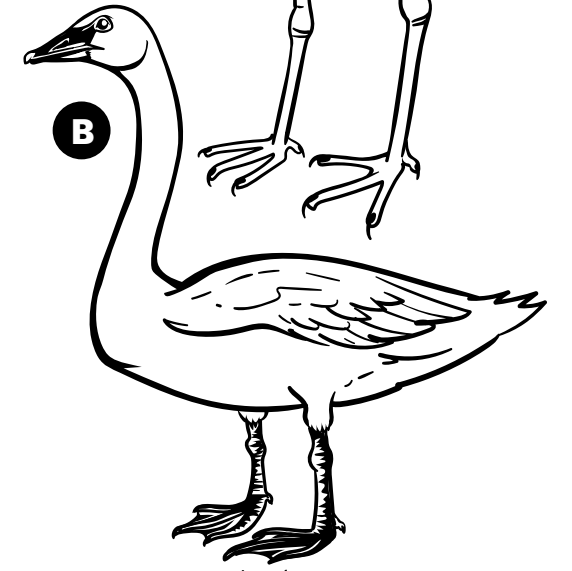
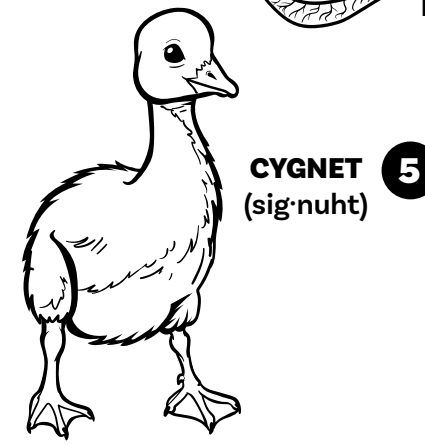
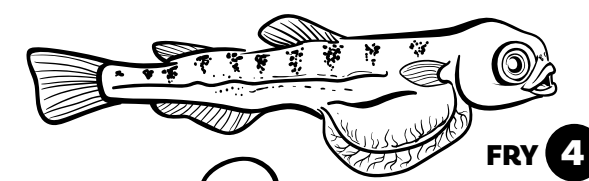
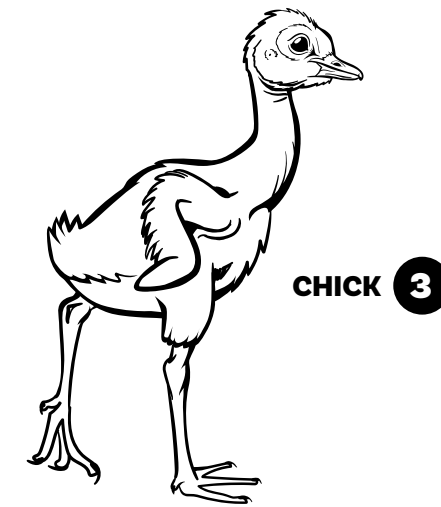
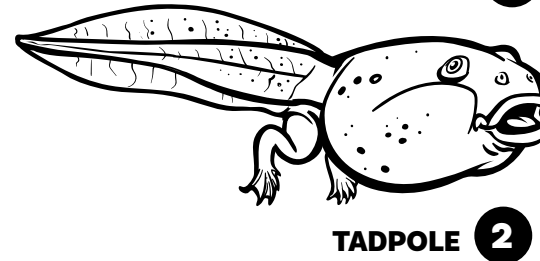
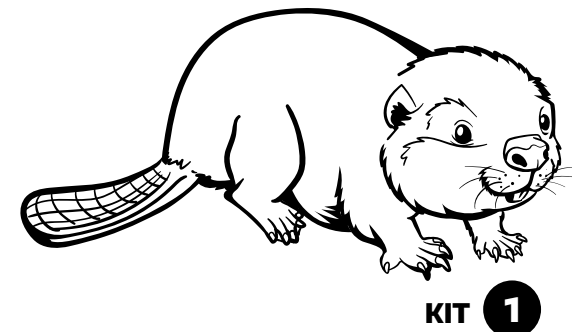
to see a trumpeter swan family.



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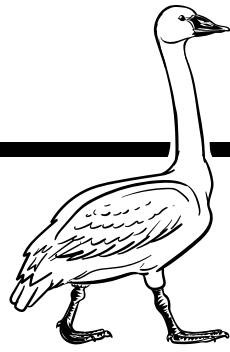
# Baby Animal Match

Match the baby animal on the left to the adult on the right by drawing a line between them.

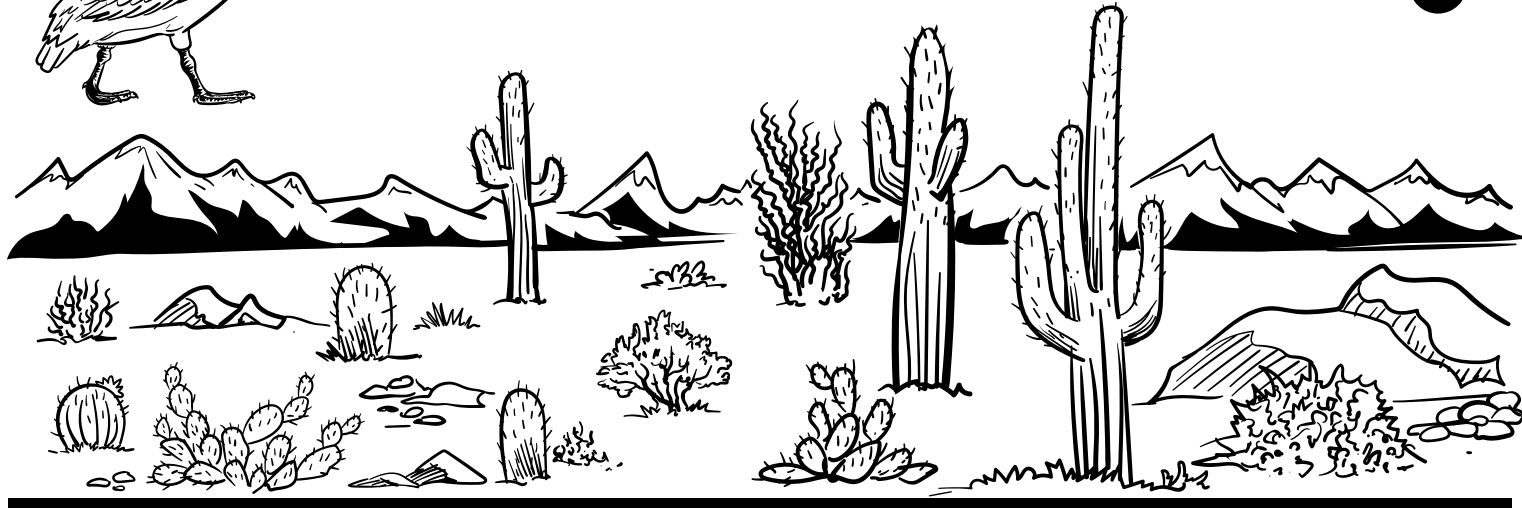


# Trumpeter Swan Habitat

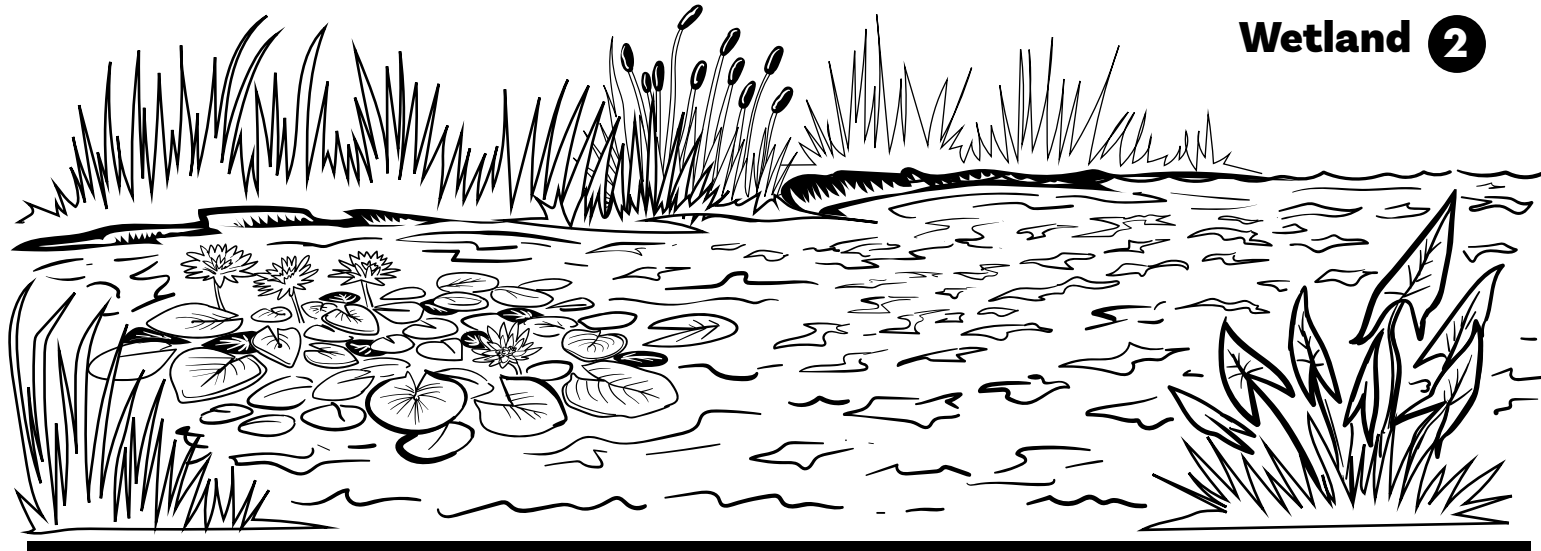
Circle the name of the habitat where you would NOT find the trumpeter swan living.



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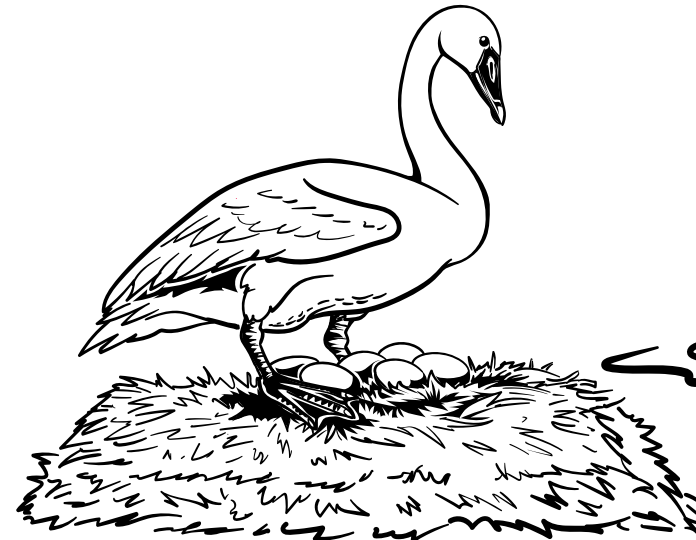
Wetland 2



Tundra 3



# Trumpeter Swan Adaptations

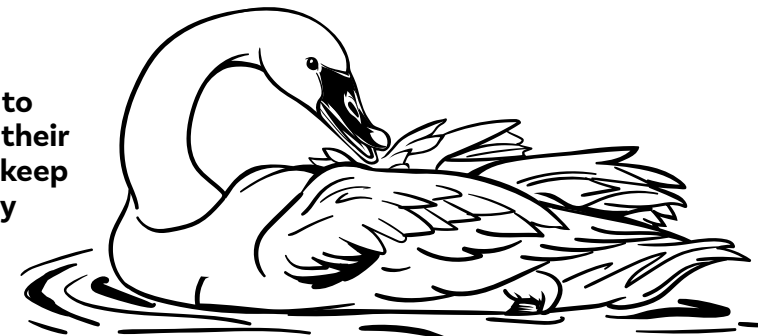


Sitting on nest - they use their feet and body to help keep the eggs warm



Webbed feet for swimming

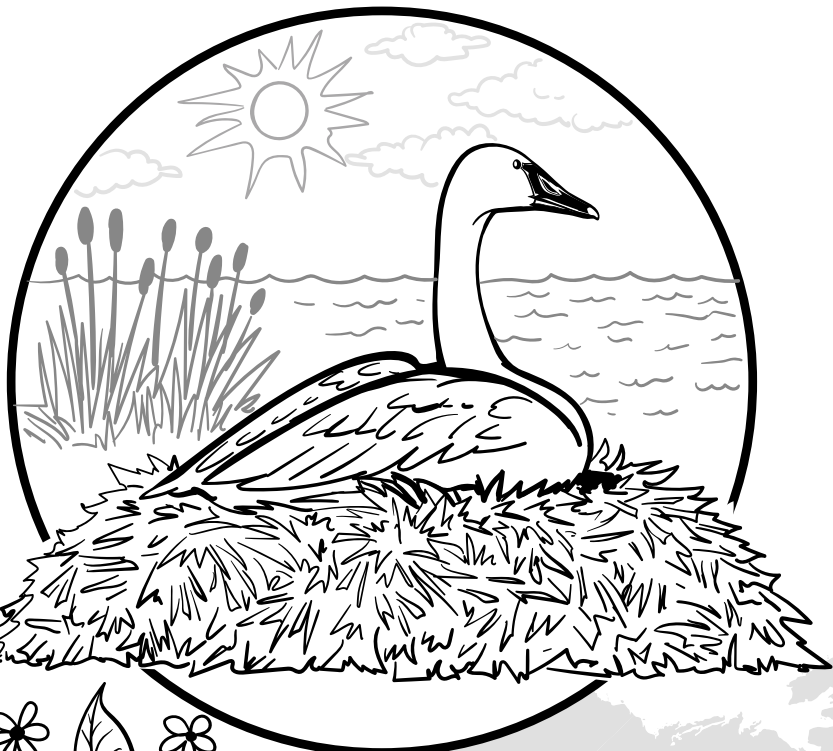
Preening to waterproof their feathers to keep them dry



Long neck to reach food under the water

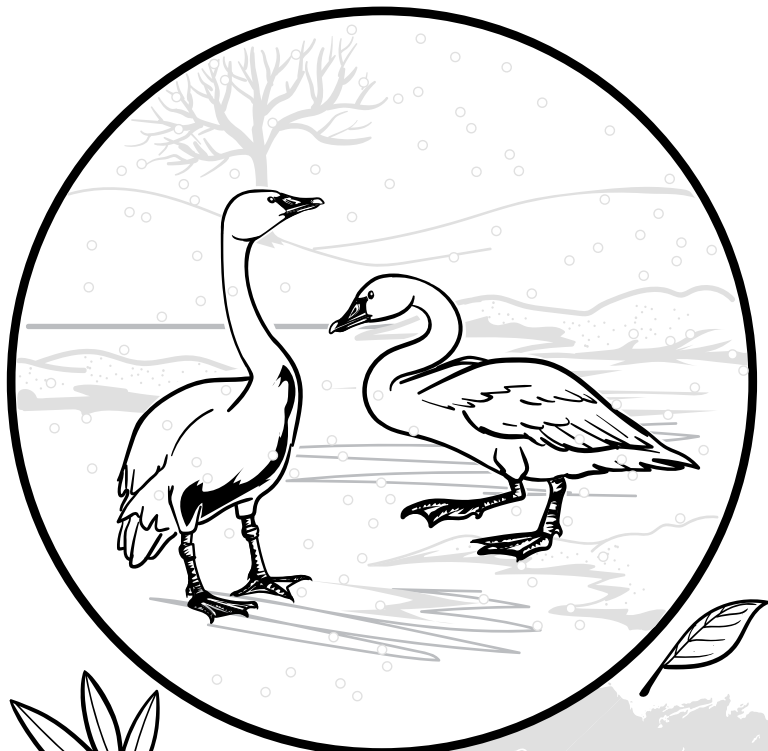


Need a long "runway" to take off and fly - up to 100 yards (91.44 m) - they use their large feet to run across the water to get enough lift to get their large bodies in the air...



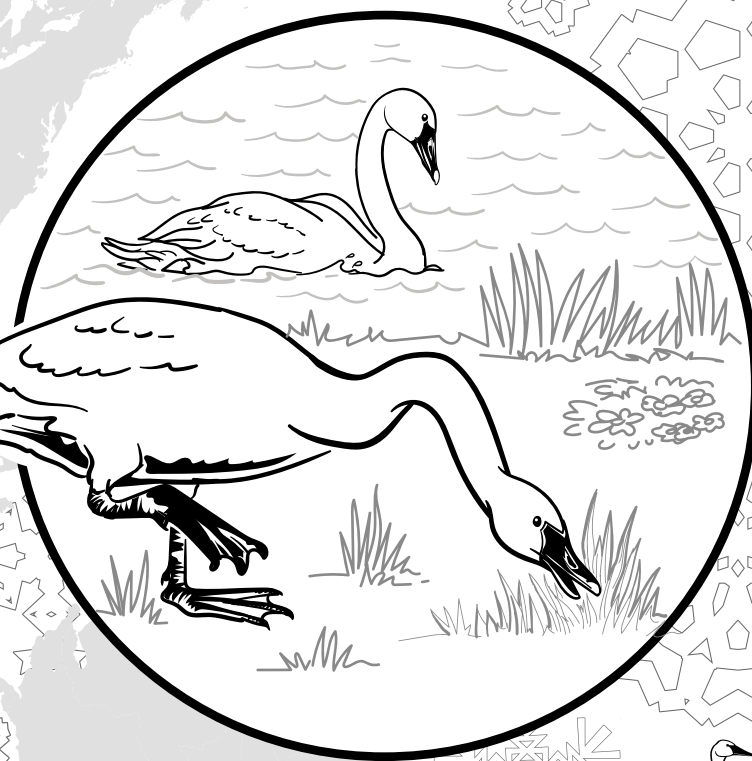
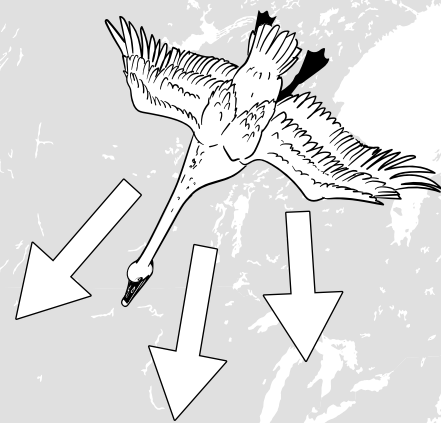
## Spring Migration

Swans fly to their summer homes to find food and a good place to raise their family.



## Fall Migration

Swans fly to their winter homes to find food and water that is not frozen over.

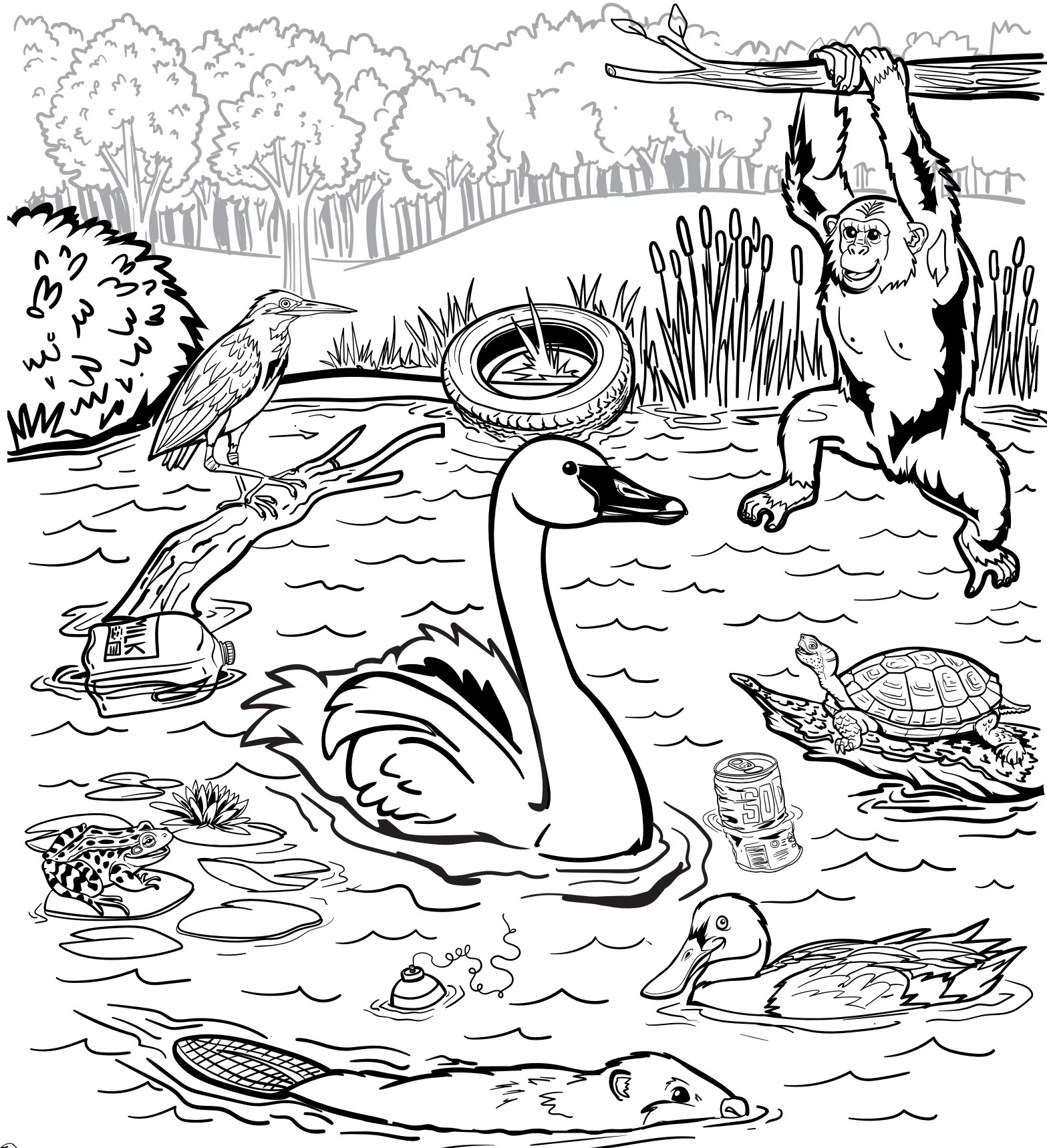


**SCAN ME**  
to see a trumpeter swan landing at a wintering site.



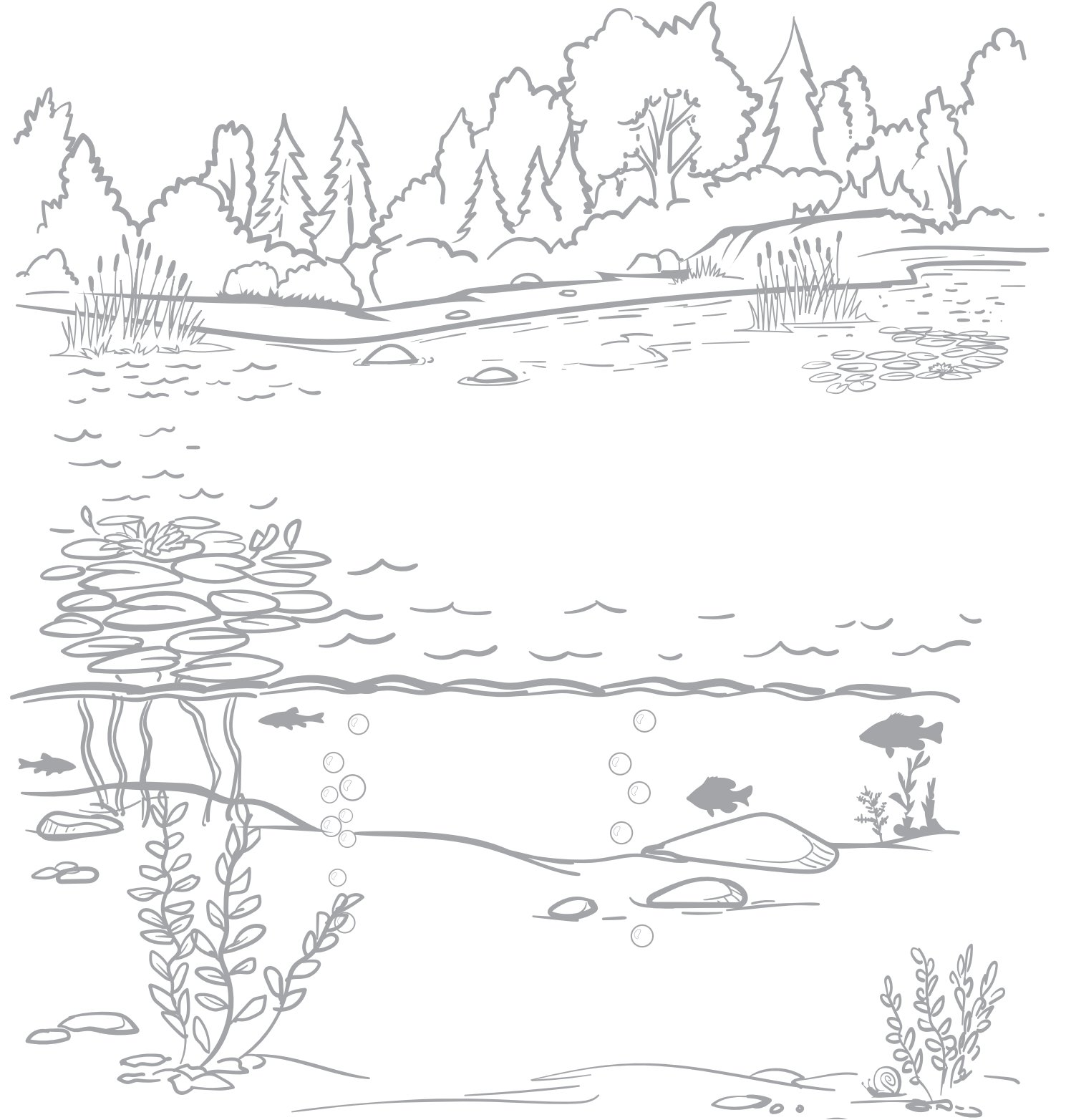
# What Does Not Belong?

Put an "X" through things that don't belong in a wetland.

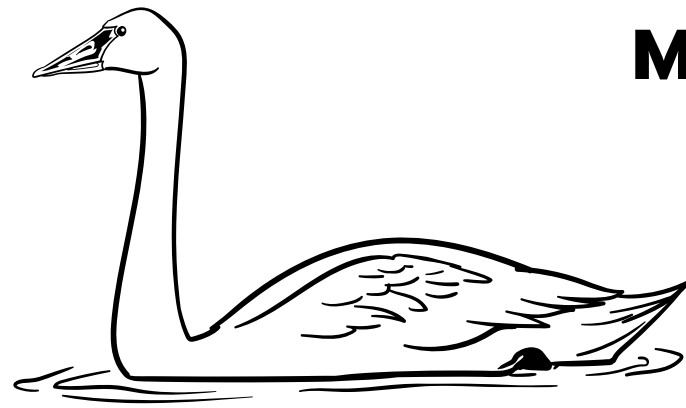


# Complete Your Own Wetland!

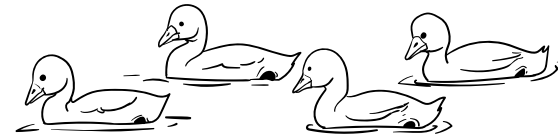
What lives in your wetland? Now that you have learned more about wetlands, draw animals living above and below the water in this wetland scene below.



**NOTE TO ADULTS:** Please send us a copy of your student's picture! Take a photo of the picture and send it to: [ttss@trumpeterswansociety.org](mailto:ttss@trumpeterswansociety.org), subject line: Wetland Scene



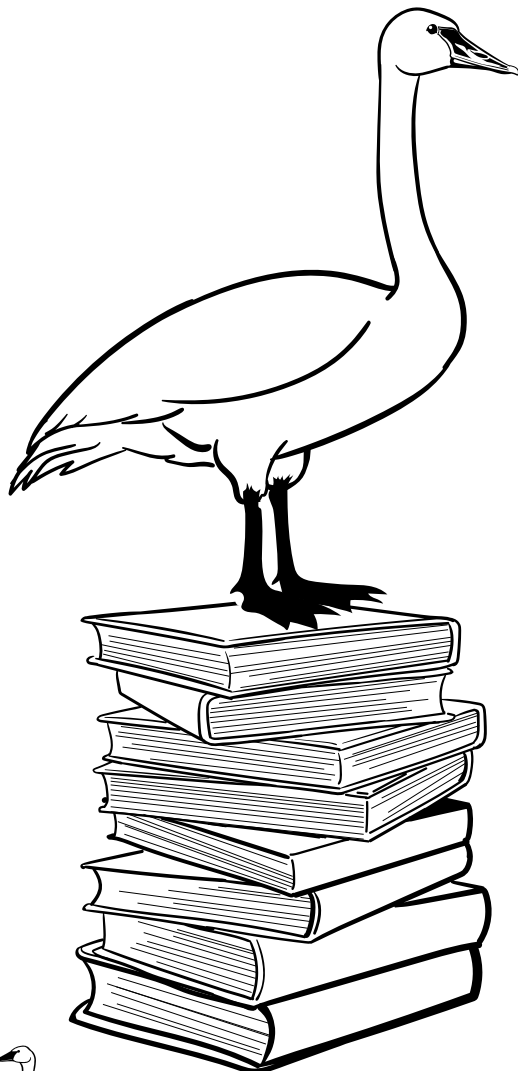
# More Trumpeter Swan Information



## CALL TO ACTION

### Ways to help swans and their home:

- Share with someone what you know
- Learn more about swans by reading a book about them
- Visit swans and other wetland animals in the wild or at a nature center or zoo
- Do not feed ducks, geese or swans bread! It can make them VERY sick!
- Don't litter
- Pick up trash in your neighborhood



## SUGGESTED BOOKS

### Swans:

**“How Grace Got Her Name”** by Alice Elshoff

**“Little Swan”** by Jonathan London

**“Spring! Time to Build a Nest”** by Barbara Renner

### Wetlands:

**“At the Marsh in the Meadow”** by Jeanie Mebane

**“Wetlands”** by Cathryn Sill

**“Life in a Wetland”** by Laura Hamilton Waxman

**“Here is a Wetland”** by Madeleine Dunphy

**“Squish! A Wetland Walk”** by Nancy Luenn



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about trumpeter  
swans visit the  
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to view the  
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