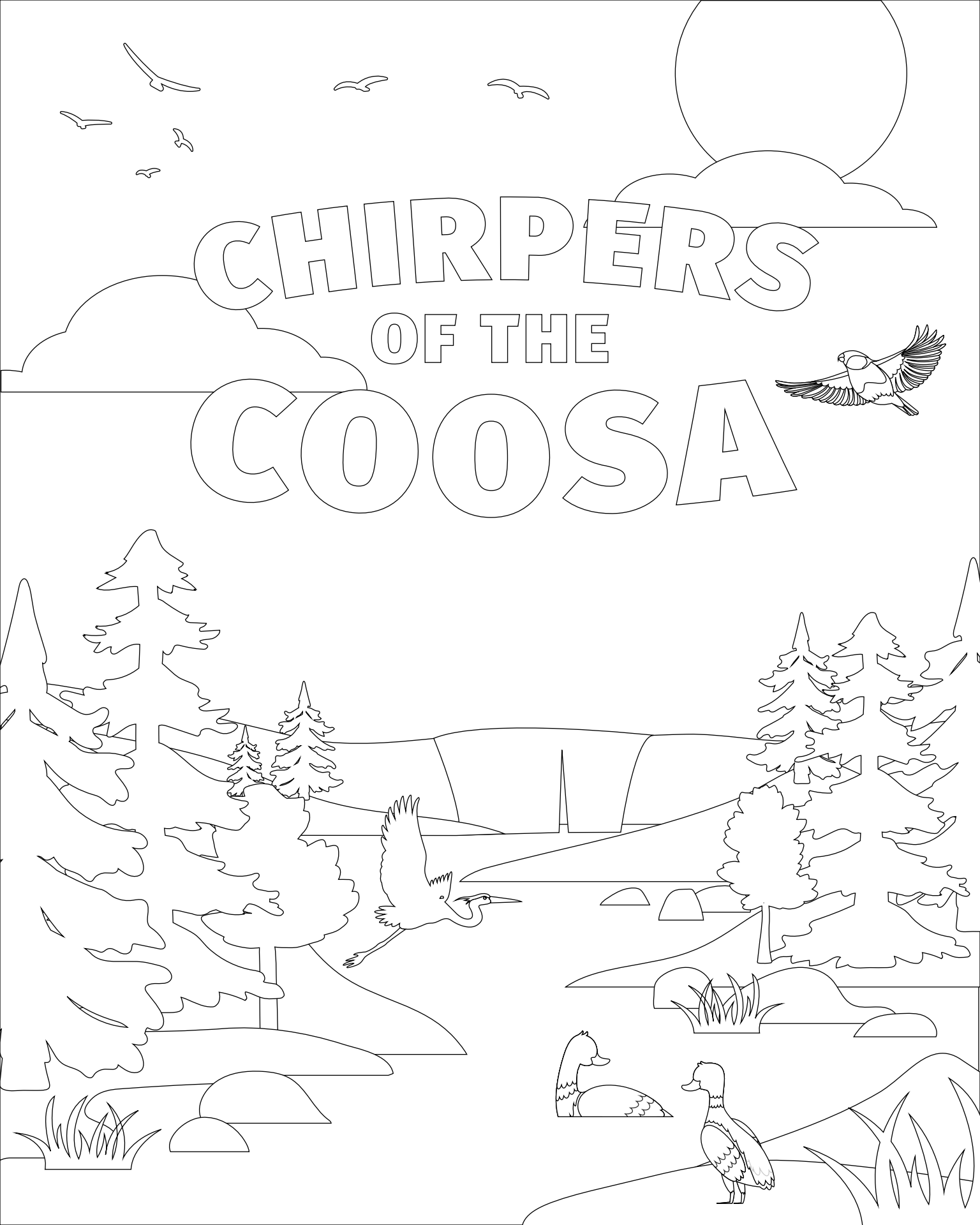


CHIRPERS OF THE COOSA



WHAT IS BIODIVERSITY?

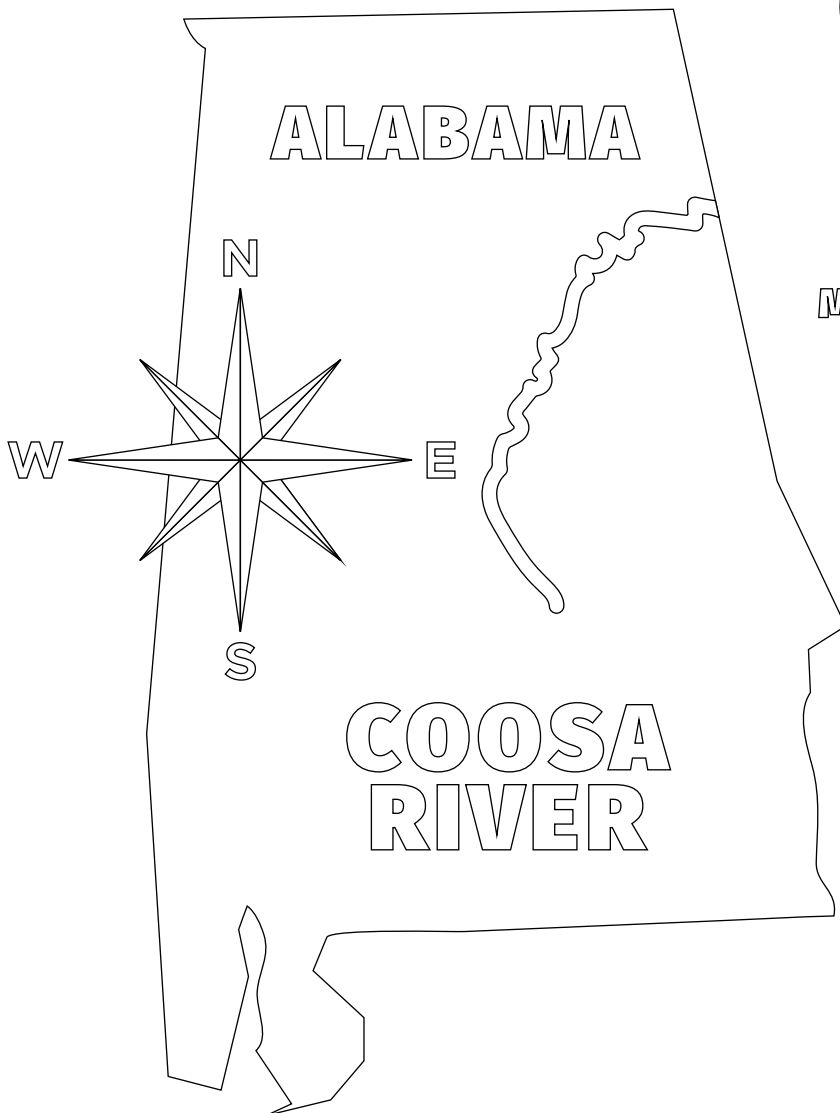
**BIODIVERSITY IS THE VARIETY OF ALL LIVING THINGS, INCLUDING PLANTS,
ANIMALS, AND MICROORGANISMS.**



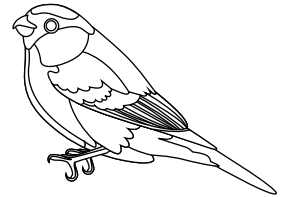
**WHEN THERE IS A HEALTHY AND BIOLOGICALLY DIVERSE ENVIRONMENT
FILLED WITH DIFFERENT PLANT AND ANIMAL SPECIES, PEOPLE FUNCTION
BETTER AND THE WORLD IS RICHER.**

NATIVE PLANTS & SPECIES

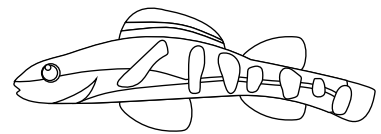
A NATIVE PLANT OR ANIMAL IS DEFINED AS ONE THAT IS FOUND
NATURALLY IN AN AREA OR COUNTRY.



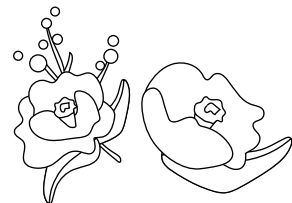
62
TOTAL
MAMMALS



416
TOTAL
BIRDS

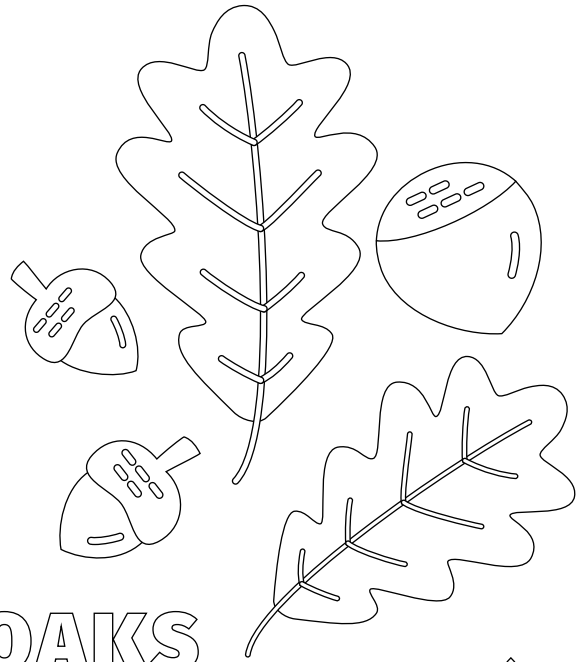


325
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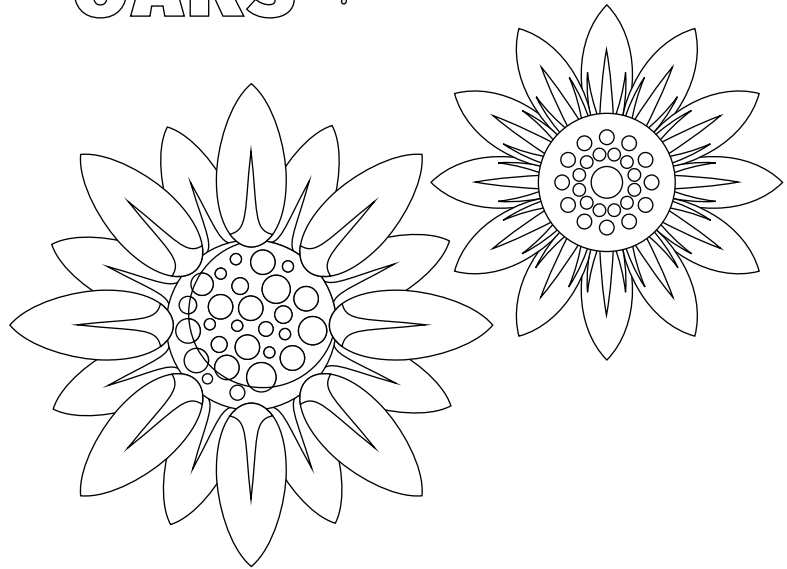
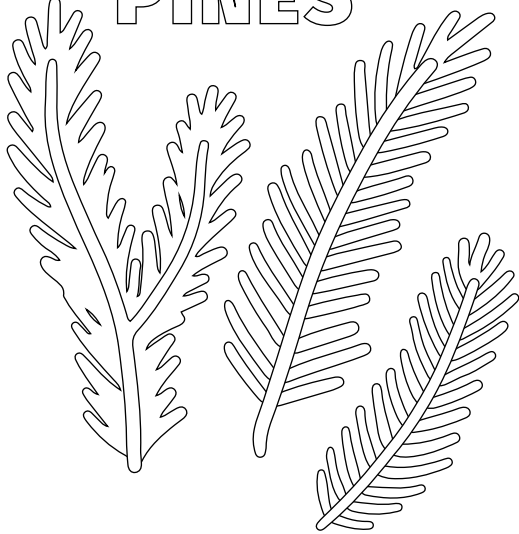
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PLANTS

HONEYSUCKLES



OAKS

PINES



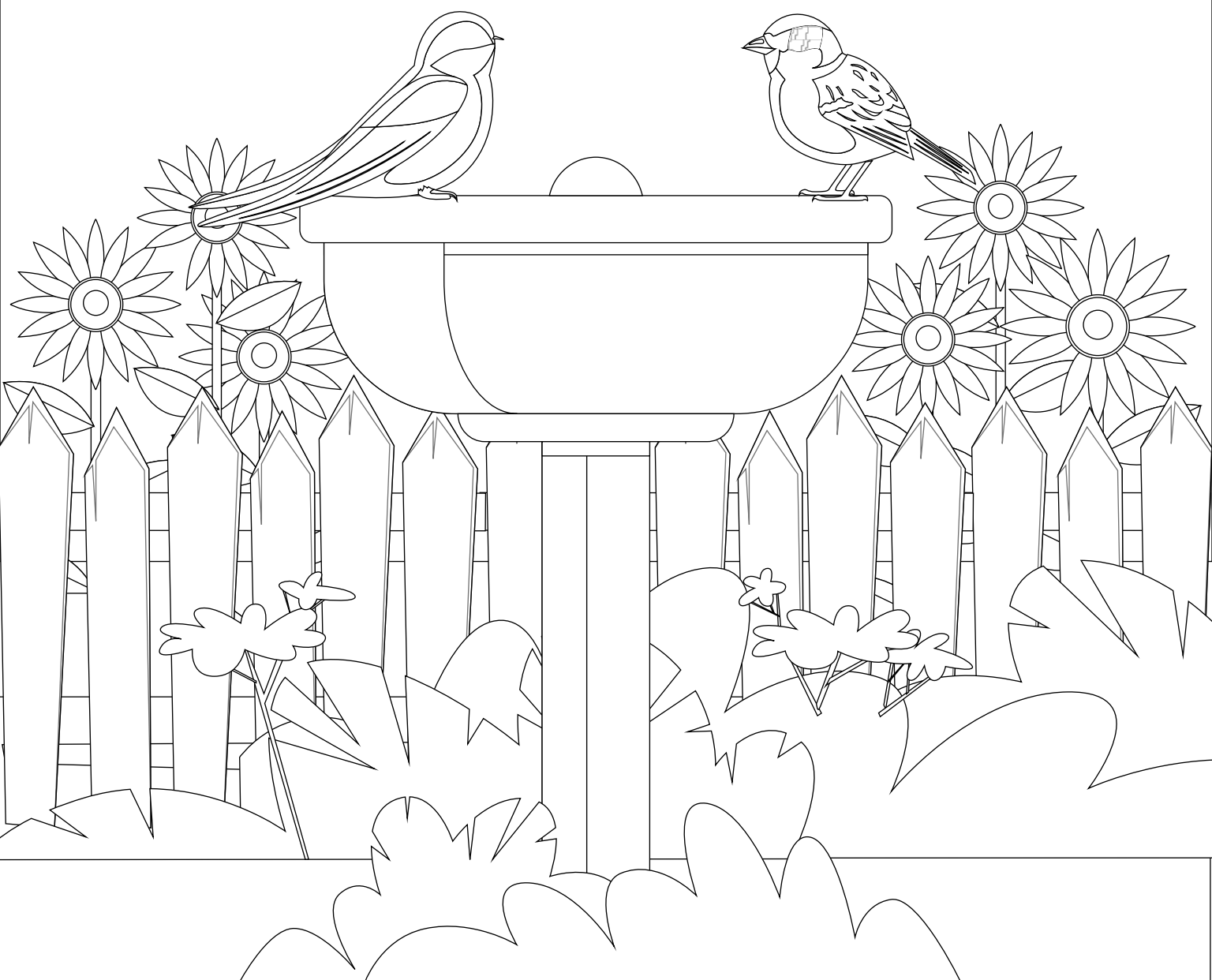
SUNFLOWERS

COMMON COOSA PLANT SPECIES



CREATE A BACKYARD BIRD OASIS

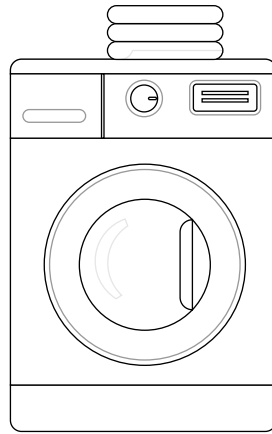
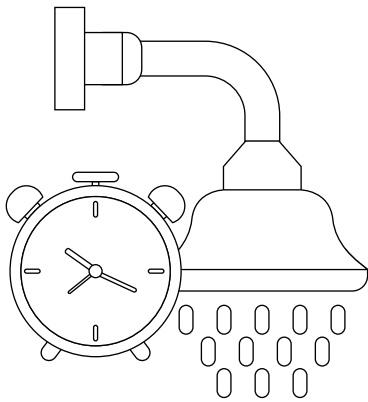
NATIVE PLANTS ADD INTEREST AND BEAUTY TO YOUR YARD AND PROVIDE SHELTER AND A NESTING AREA FOR YOUR BIRDS. ADDING A BIRD BATH WILL GIVE THEM A COOL PLACE TO SPLASH AND DRINK.



HOW CAN YOU HELP PROTECT BIRD SPECIES?

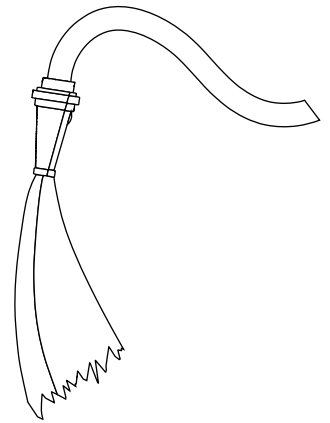
1. CONSERVE WATER

REDUCE SHOWER TIME

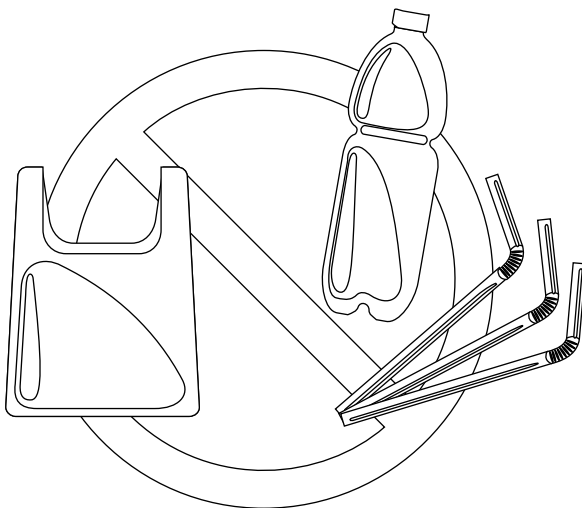


ONLY WASH FULL LOADS OF LAUNDRY

DON'T OVER WATER YOUR LAWN

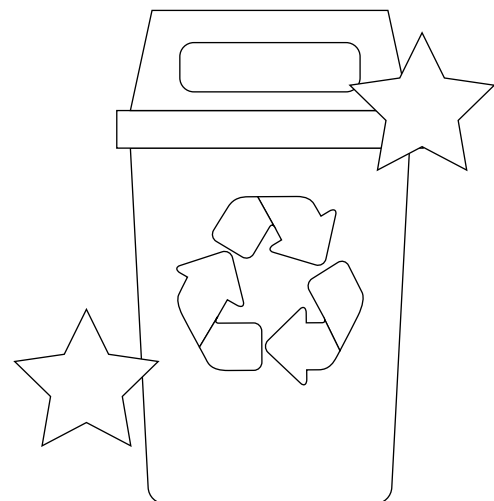


2. REDUCE PLASTICS



REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF SINGLE USE PLASTICS

ALWAYS RECYCLE!



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