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Sharley The Snickedy Snake Family Home Evening Packet



Contents:

Story, Picture Sheets, Game,
Scripture, Treat Recipe

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Home Evening Outline

Opening Prayer
Opening Song

Scripture
Story

Game

Closing Song
Closing Prayer
Refreshments

Suggested Songs: "Choose The Right Way", pg. 160 (Childrens)
"Friends Are Fun", pg. 262 (Childrens)
"Love One Another", pg. 308 (Hymn)

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:1-5, D&C 104:18

Story: Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc. Use flannel, or laminate and cut out and place magnets on back of graphics. etc.

"Viper Swiper" Game: Preparation - Color snake skin side of cards if desired, laminate and cut out. Color each snake head and tail, laminate and cut out.
Object - To be the first player to collect five snake skin cards and the tail to complete his snake.
Play - Place all snake skin cards in a large bowl. This game will need to be played at a table. Give each player a snake head which is placed in front of each player on the table. Choose which player will go first. The first player begins by choosing a snake skin card from the bowl without looking at it. The player reads the scenario on the card and determines if it is an act of selfishness or kindness. If it is an act of kindness, the player may turn the card over, with the snake skin side up and place it next to his snake head. The player is trying to collect five snake body parts and then his tail. If the player drew an act of selfishness, the player's turn ends and he places the card back into the bowl. If a player draws a "Viper Swiper" card, he can make any player remove one of his or her snake skin cards from their snake, which is then placed back into the bowl. The "Viper Swiper" card is then placed back into the bowl, and play rotates clockwise to the next player. Once a player has collected five snake skin cards, and built his snake, on his next turn, he draws a card from the bowl. If he draws an act of kindness, he places the card back in the bowl and waits until his next turn. If you want to make the game shorter, do not place the act of selfishness cards back in the bowl at the end of a player's turn.

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Snarley Snakes



Ingredients:

- red licorice ropes (1/8 inch)
- black licorice or red (hollow)
- large gumdrops
- small gumdrops

Directions:

Give each family member an 1/8 inch red licorice rope. Cut black or red, hollow licorice into one inch pieces. Thread pieces of cut licorice on to the red rope. Poke a hole in the large gumdrop and insert one end of the rope into the gumdrop for the head. Poke a hole through three, small gumdrops for the rattle or tail. Use some of the 1/8 inch rope to make a snakes tongue.
HAVE FUN!

Snarley The Snickedy Snake

Snarley the snake only thought about himself. He never thought about other snakes or what they might want. He only thought about what he wanted, when he wanted it. Snarley was not very nice.

Snarley didn't like to give of himself in any way whatsoever! He was stingy with his toys, his food, his time and his love. Needless to say, Snarley was not very popular at school or at Church. Can you guess why?

When Snarley got up in the morning, he would put on his "snickedy" manners first thing.

DISCUSSION

- Do you know what it means to be "snickedy?" It means to be selfish and self-centered.
- Do you know anyone who is like Snarley?

When Snarley's mother served him his breakfast, he would not share any of it with his younger brothers and sisters. In fact, he would gulp it down really fast so he didn't have any left that he could share with them. He was so mean!

On the way to school, Snarley saw Mrs. Caterpillar coming down the path with eight of her children. They were taking up the whole path. Snarley did not want to move into the spiny bushes that were off the path. They hurt his belly when he slithered into them. No, he would make her move off the path. He was so snickedy!

Sure enough, when Mrs. Caterpillar got close to him, instead of moving so she and her family could continue down the path, he stayed right in the middle. He would not budge! He moved from side to side so there was no room to pass. Finally, Mrs. Caterpillar yelled for her children to move into the bushes so they wouldn't be crushed by Snarley.

The Caterpillar children began yelling and calling Snarley names but that didn't affect Snarley. He just kept on going. In fact, he smiled a little. What a terrible little snake he is.

When Snarley arrived at the schoolhouse, Miss Plumb welcomed him and even mentioned how nice his hair looked this morning. Snarley just growled. He would not be nice to Miss Plumb. He would not thank her for the compliment nor would he give her a compliment back. He did not want to be generous with his compliments. In fact, Snarley rarely said anything nice to anyone. He liked being selfish.

It was soon reading time. All of the little animals sat in a circle and Miss Plumb directed Stanley, the door mouse, to read first. Without raising his hand, Snarley yelled out, "No, I want to go first!" No one in the classroom was surprised. Snarley always insisted on going first no matter what they were doing! Miss Plumb would sometimes let Snarley go first just to keep peace in the room. This was one of those times.

Snarley began reading but no one wanted to listen to him. When someone is selfish all of the time, others start to ignore that someone. I don't believe that there was a single animal in that class that liked Snarley. Wouldn't that be awful if no one liked you?

Soon school was over, and Snarley and all of the other animals were anxious to head home. Snarley began pushing his way through the classroom as soon as the final bell sounded. He was in a hurry to get home to his game box. He didn't care who was in front of him, he shoved them aside and made his way to the door first.

DISCUSSION

- Do you see how being selfish makes others uncomfortable around you?

Snarley raced down the path to home, not even looking to see who he scared off the path this time. As he entered the snake home, Sammy, his younger brother had already gotten there and was playing the game box.

"Sammy!" Snarley yelled. "Get away from my game box!"

Sammy looked up with a scared look on his face. He knew that when Snarley wanted something, he usually got his way, but today, Sammy was not going to give in easily. He just kept on playing. "This is not your game box," Sammy said. "It belongs to the whole family."

That did it. Snarley hit Sammy on the top of his little head, and pulled the paddles right out from in front of him. (You see, snakes are very good at playing game boxes with their tails.) Sammy immediately went crying to Mother.

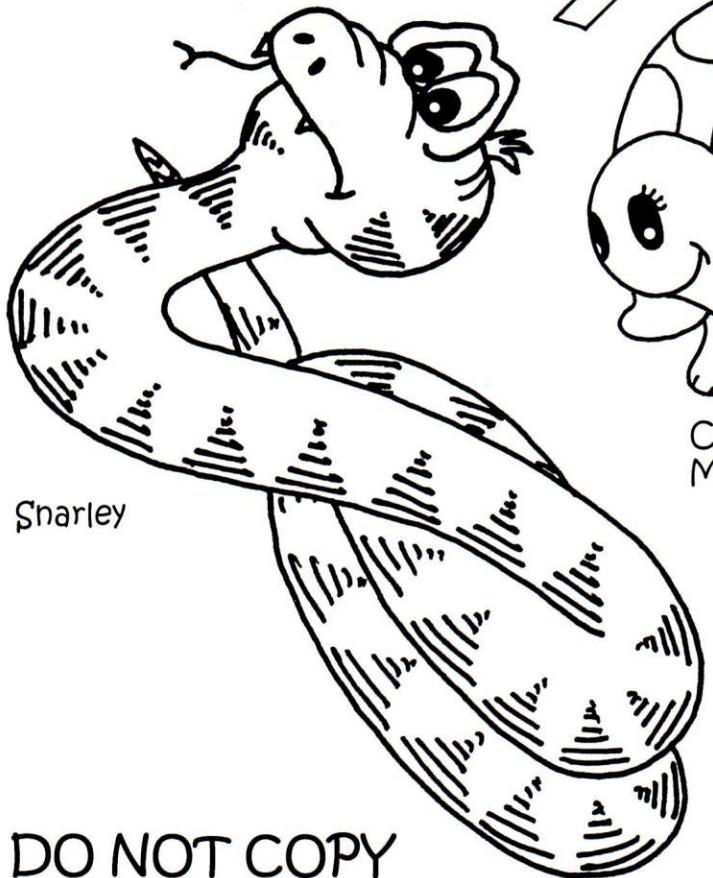
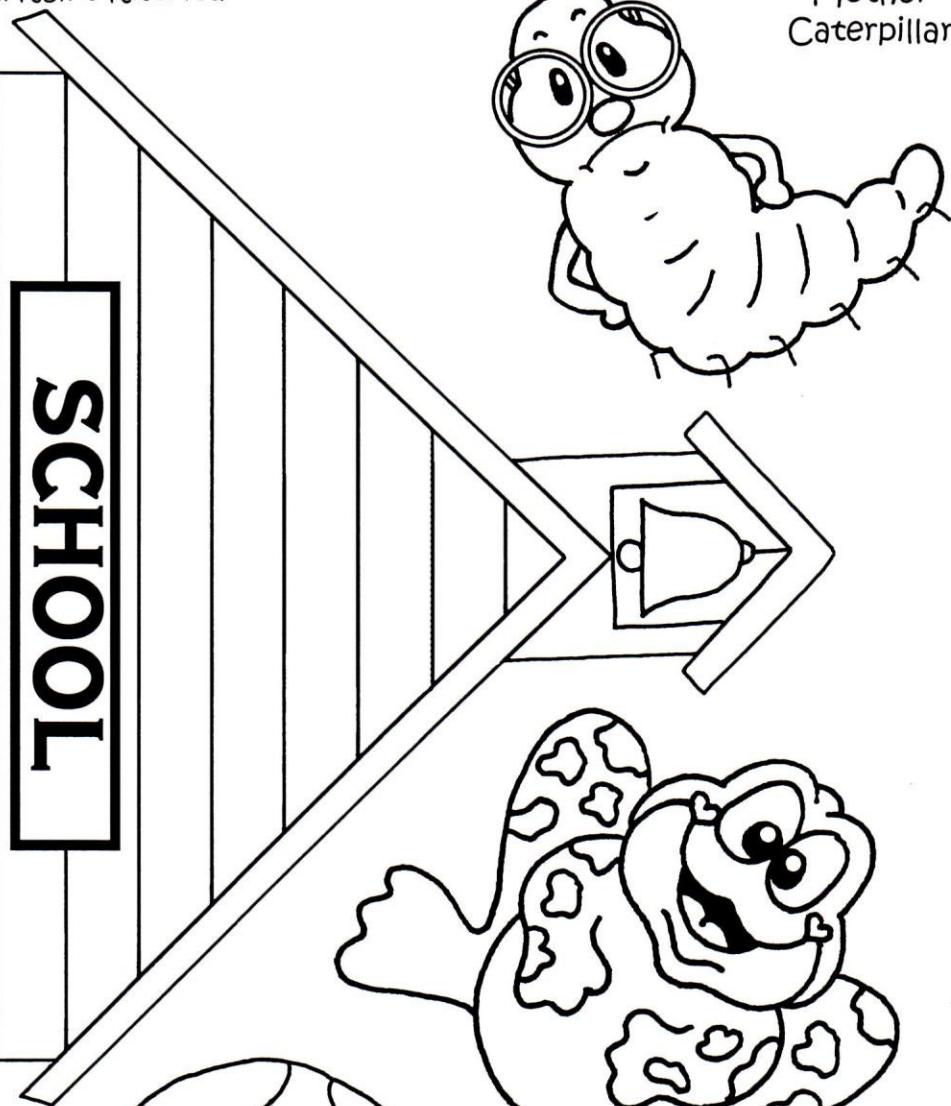
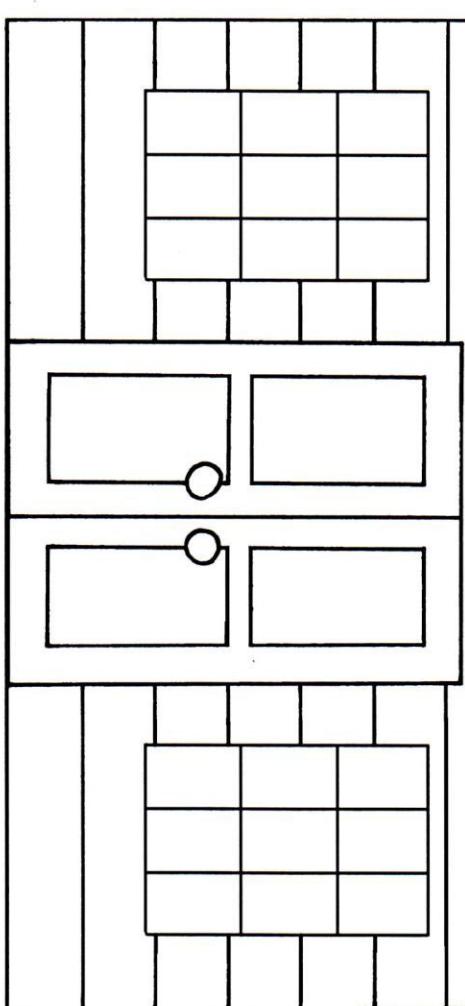
The day continued this way with Snarley treating all of the children selfishly. Finally, when supper was over and it was time for bed, Mother Snake wiped her brow and sighed. Life would be so much easier in the snake home if she could just teach Snarley how to not be so snickedy.

The Savior, Jesus Christ, was the most unselfish man who ever lived upon this earth. He gave his life for all of us because he loved us so much. Giving of ourselves is what he wants us to do. We can be so giving in every part of our lives. Sometimes, it takes practice to be unselfish, but we can do it! It starts by trying to think of others before ourselves.

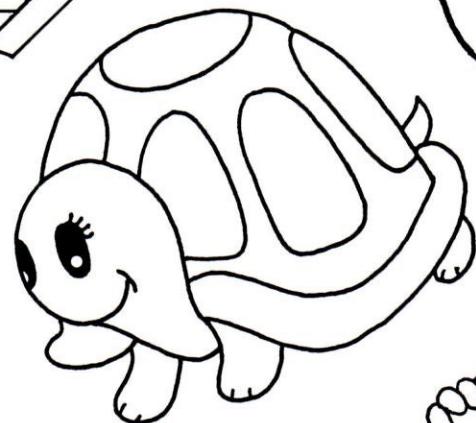
DISCUSSION

- How many ways was Snarley selfish during the day?
- How could he have acted differently?
- What do we need to do to be unselfish?

***Writers Note: The word, "snickedy" is not found in the dictionary.
It is a word that was created especially for this story.**



Sharley

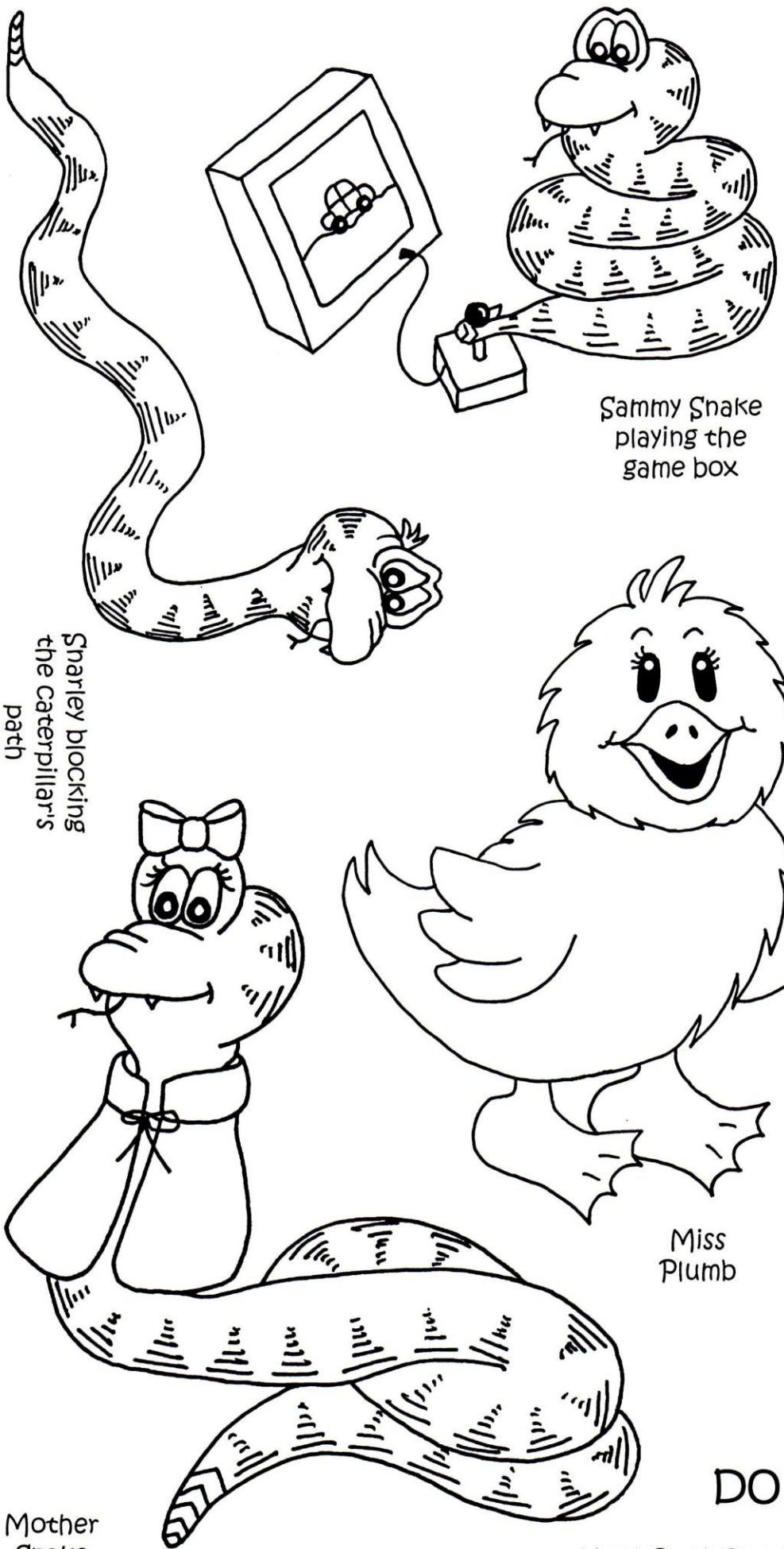


Class
Mate



Stanley

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Sammy Snake
playing the
game box

Sharley blocking
the Caterpillar's
path



Miss
Plumb

Mother
Snake



Caterpillar
Children

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Sharley Snake Activity



Items Needed:

- 1/4 to 1/2 inch googly eyes
- 1 box of "Jumbo Shells" pasta
- 1 package of large rigatoni pasta
(approximately 1/2 inch in diameter)
 - white nylon cording
(needs to fit through the rigatoni)
- different colors of craft paint
- glue gun & glue sticks

Directions: Give each family member one large jumbo shell and about eight to ten rigatoni noodles. Pour out a variety of different colors of craft paint on to a paper plate and allow each family member to paint their head (the large jumbo shell) and the snake body parts (the rigatoni) as desired. Be creative, and paint designs on the rigatoni. Set aside to dry. Begin constructing your snakes by cutting a piece of cording about sixteen inches long. Have an adult burn the edges of the cording to keep it from fraying. Tie a knot in one end of the cording. Once the pasta is dry, carefully place the knot inside of the jumbo shell, with the cording coming through one of the holes in the end of the shell. Glue in place with a glue gun. It is best if an adult glues everything in place. Once the glue is set, the children can begin threading the rigatoni on to the cord-ing. Once they have threaded all rigatoni pieces, have an adult tie a knot in the other end for the tail. Glue two googly eyes on the head. The snake is complete. Explain that these snakes should be kept in sight to remind the children of Sharley the snake and how selfish he was. Explain that we don't want to be like that and we should try every day to be kind.

Nathan helps his teacher put the chairs on the desks after school.

Seth waits his turn in line and does not push his way to the front.

Porter always remembers to say "you're welcome" when someone thanks him.

Savanna cleans up her toys when she is done playing with them.

Caleb goes to the store to get a candy bar and brings some home for his brothers.

Mason takes turns on the computer at school with his friends.

Madison shares her crayons with her brother and sister.

Jacob helps his younger brother do his chores.

Julie is nice to everyone at school.

Susan always says "please" when she wants something.

Brent allows someone who is in a hurry, to cut in front of him in line.

Carly helps her teacher to gather all of the hymn books.

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Hank will not share his new toy with his brother Johnny.

Julia goes to the movies with a friend and doesn't call her parents to let them know.

Jamie hides all the candy she received on Halloween so she doesn't have to share.

Brett likes to tease his little brother every chance he gets.

Marty thinks only of himself instead of putting others first.

Kristin always pushes in front of everyone when she gets on the bus so she can have the best seat.

Lydia stays in the bathroom for longer than she needs to.

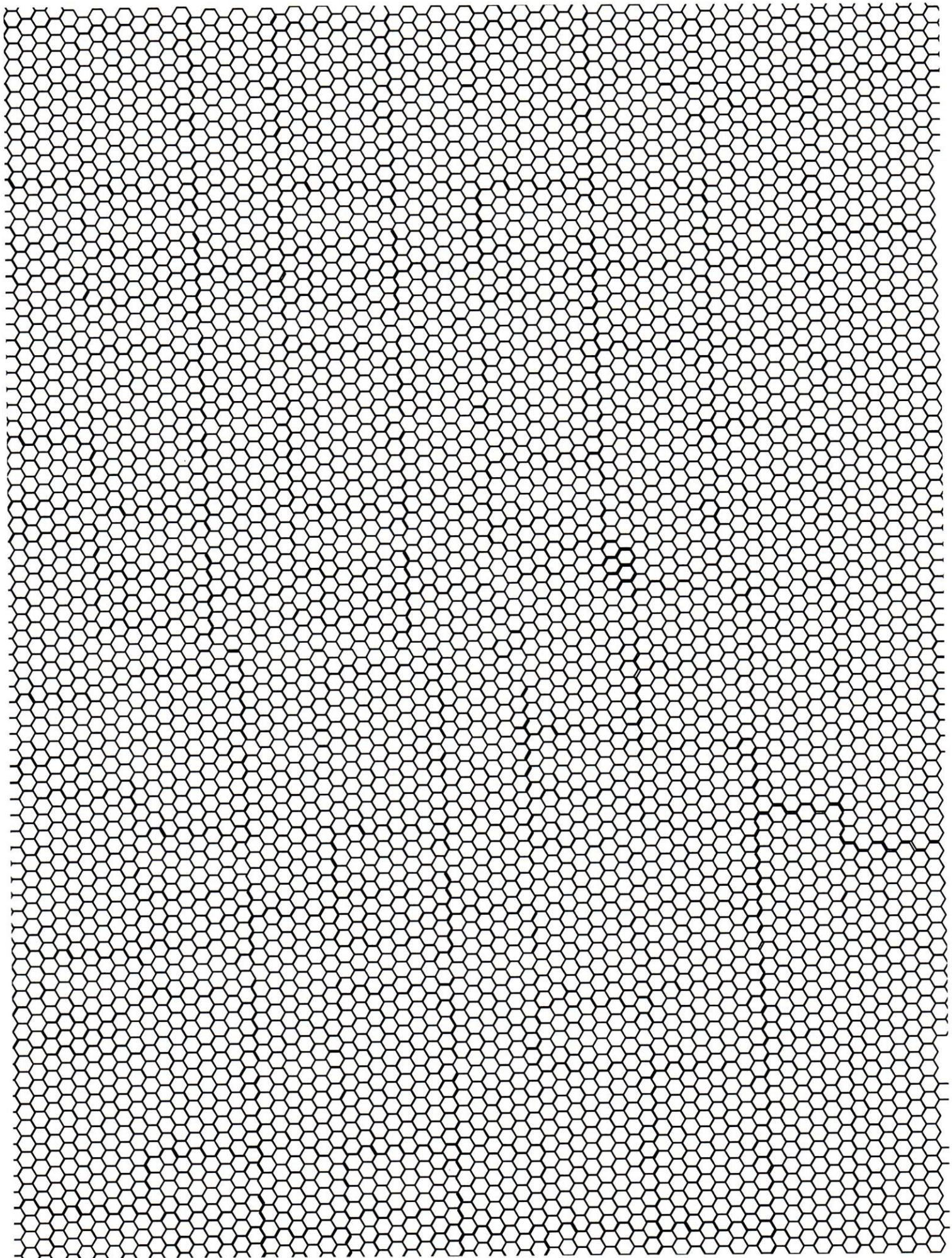
Crystal always cries and throws a tantrum when she can't have something.

Carl likes to bully the other boys at school.

Alfred is not a very courteous driver.

Mandy calls people names and is not very nice to others.

Kerri is mean to the younger children in the hall.



Jimmy knocked over the neighbor's garbage can and didn't pick it up.

Molly brought a bag of treats to school, but would only share them with her close friends.

Sherry threw a fit that she couldn't be the first one in the lunch line.

Bart wouldn't allow his younger brother to play the game box with him.

Jennifer took Mary's favorite pencil from her locker without asking.

Nicole drank her sister's soda without asking her if it was OK.

Vicky pulled Diane's hair because she wouldn't do what she wanted.

Annie took a toy away from another child.

Abby wouldn't let Lori play basketball with her.

Mallory refused to help Mother with the dusting.

Jeremy took Steven's football without asking if he could.

Holly always drinks all of the orange juice, so that no one else can have any.

Marsha refuses to get off of the phone when someone else needs it.

Rhonda spends way too much time on the computer and doesn't give others a chance.

Randy messes his sister's room up on purpose just to make her angry.

Bobby sits on the slide and will not move so that the other children cannot go down the slide.

Paula doesn't take her turn to do the dishes and leaves them for mom to do.

Shane hid his sister's CD's from her under his bed so she can't listen to them.

There is only one candy bar left. Stanley hurries and eats it so no one else can have it.

An elderly woman is struggling to carry her groceries. Richard refuses to help her.

Beverly will not share her glue with another child who doesn't have any.

Edward gathers up all of the cars in the nursery and hides them so the other children can't play with them.

Andy will not let Justin sit by him at lunch.

Pat ate all of the potato chips. Now there are no snacks for after school.

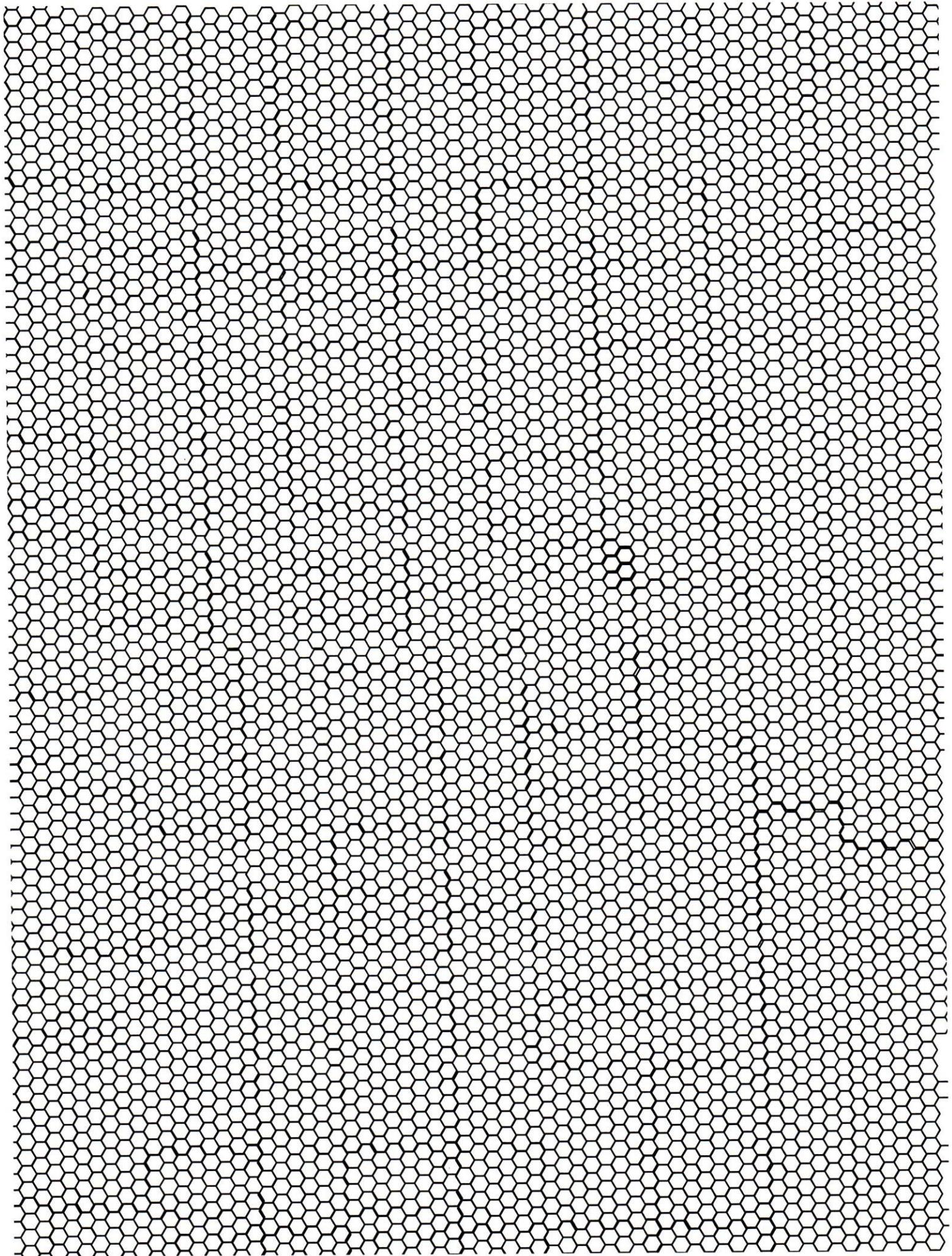
David won't let anyone play, unless they play the game the way he wants to.

Tara hid the markers from her brother so that he can't color with her.

Brad took up two parking spaces so that no one could get close to his car.

Tanner hid in his room so that he wouldn't have to help with the chores.

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Larry washes the neighbors windows without telling anyone it was him.

Molly does the dishes without being told.

Colton always says "thank-you" when someone does something for him.

Father puts things on hold when his wife needs a little help at home.

Mother always includes the children when she bakes cookies.

Martha never borrows anything from her brothers and sisters unless she asks first.

Jill never speaks sarcastically to her family members.

Michael always thinks of others first.

Katrina always waits up for her children to get home when they are out late.

Mindy always sends thank you notes when she receives a gift.

Mark always holds the door open for people.

Jennifer always helps her mother with the chores around the house.

Loralee helps out with the baby when Mother needs help.

Kyle shares his toys with his younger brother.

James makes his sister's bed for her when she doesn't have time to do it.

Misty often gives donations to worthy charities.

Father helps Mother with the evening dinner dishes.

Josh helps his little brother with his homework.

There is only one candy bar left. Mindy shares it with her sister.

Janet helps her elderly neighbor with her yard work.

Steve rakes the neighbors leaves without being asked to.

Mother and Father invite the missionaries for dinner once a month.

Katie reads to her younger brothers.

Kaden always takes turns playing with the game box.

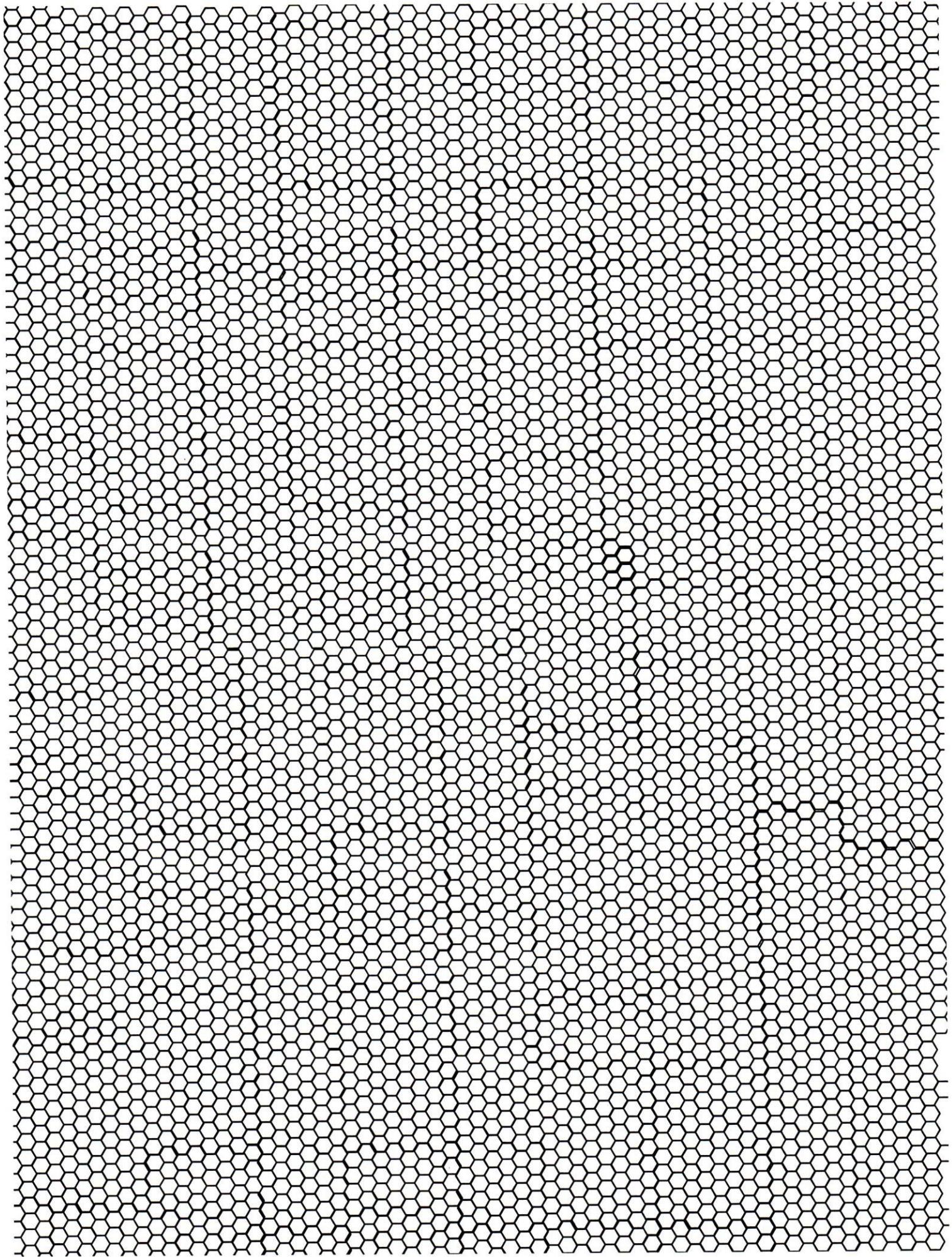
Jared always says "thank-you" when he receives his lunch at school.

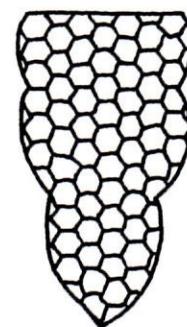
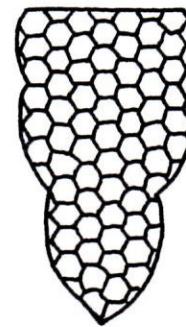
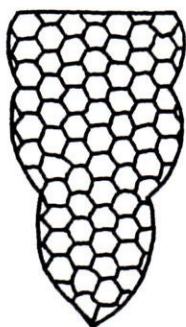
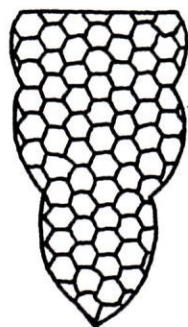
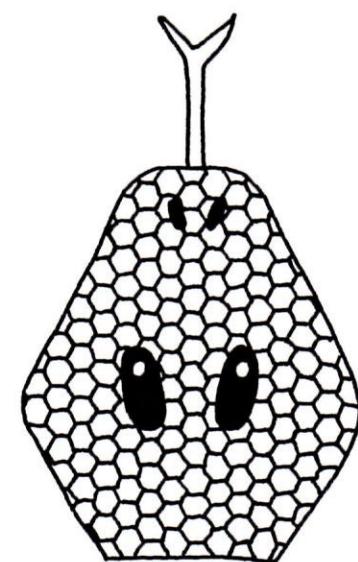
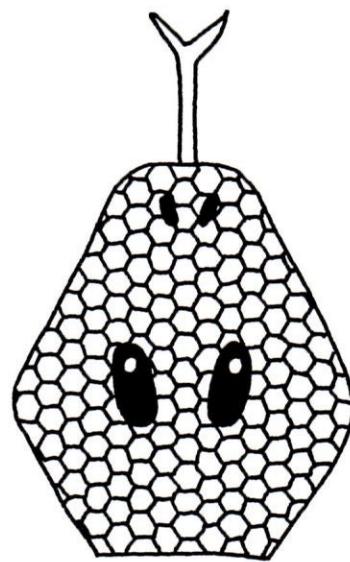
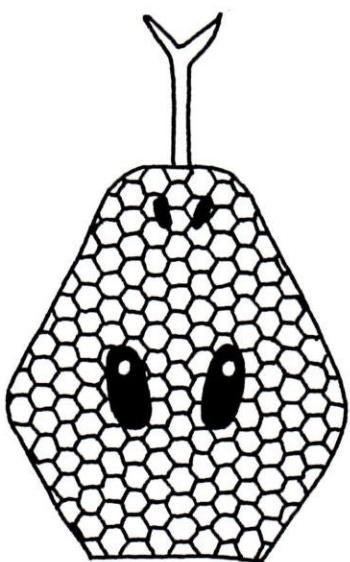
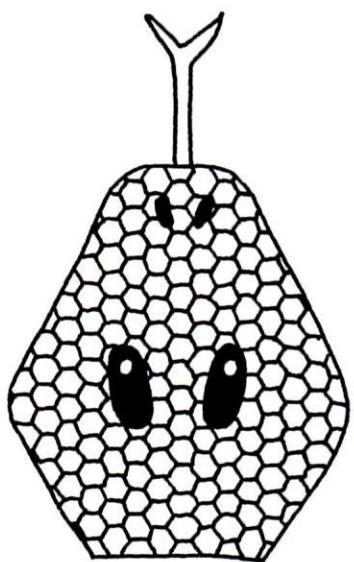
Jason takes the garbage out without being asked to.

Kyleigh always says "excuse me" when she needs to pass someone in the store.

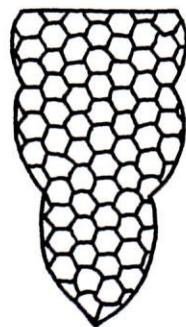
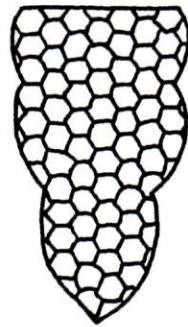
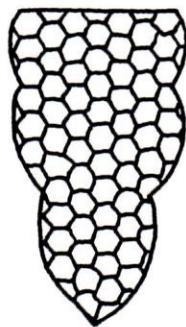
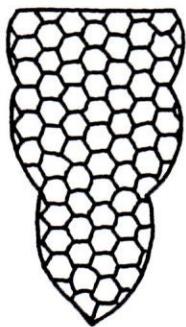
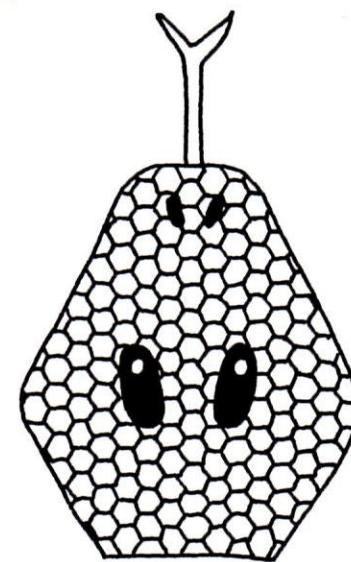
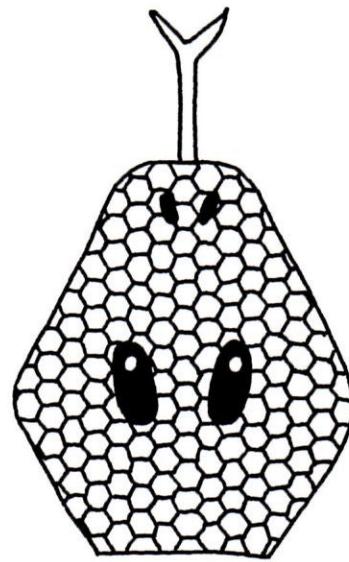
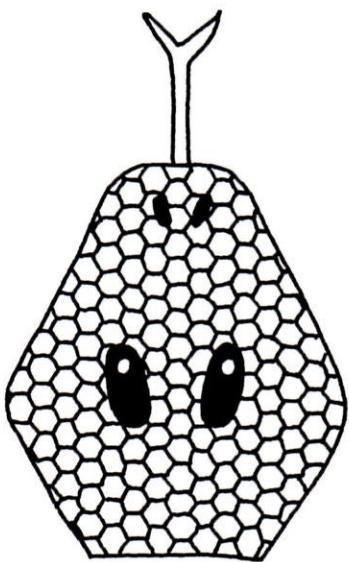
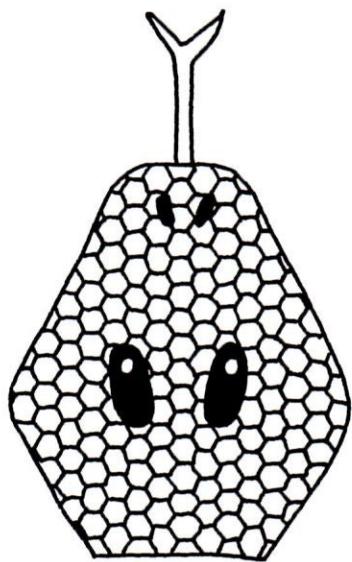
Angie lets her little sister borrow her earrings.

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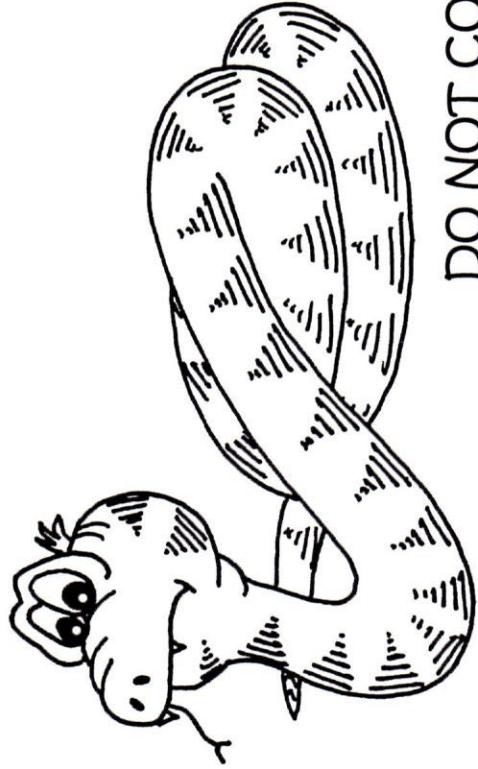


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"Of all influences that cause
men to choose wrong,
selfishness is undoubtedly
the strongest.

Where it is, the spirit is not."



William R. Bradford