Is it easy to draw a bobcat? FURR sure!

Follow these step-by-step instructions to learn how draw one of our favorite feline friends in the park. (We’re PAW-sitive you can do it!)

1. Large circles give us the basic shape of our bobcat’s body. Draw these parts lightly in pencil, so we can erase them later.

2. Now lightly draw these lines and circles for the legs.

3. Connect the circles as shown. Give your bobcat some tufts of fur.

4. Add these lines to make the bobcat’s legs.

5. Now for a face! Start by adding these basic shapes.

6. Let’s add a few more! Tufts on the side of his face will make your bobcat look furry.

7. Now erase the light sketches we made in steps 1 and 2.

8. Some final important details will make your bobcat come to life: cat eyes, a short tail, and a mix of stripes and spots.

You did it!
Happy birthday, baby salmon!
This little guy is celebrating his first birthday. Last year, he was born in a creek in a redwood forest, and now it’s time for him to swim to the Pacific Ocean.

Can you help him make his way down the river? Just make sure you don’t get stuck!
Ever seen a roly-poly little brown bird running around the sandy beaches in our park? Chances are, you were looking at the Western Snowy Plover.

Scientists love to study snowy plovers, but they can be hard to spot—if a plover is sitting still in the sand dunes, their pale brown feathers make them almost invisible.

Can you help our scientists do their research, and find the plover-themed words hidden in this word search?

Habitat            Dune             Wave               Feather
Beach              Beak               Sand                Plover

A X P L O V E R N Z
Y B F G M D E I F T
E J B E A K L M J R
Q N E C Z U P V K F
P H A B I T A T G E
L R C O E H Q Y H A
X K H B W L I D P T
E M C K S A T U J H
N Z O L T W V N O E
D S A N D X B E A R

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What’s it like to work in a national park?
Rangers in our park have to be prepared for all kinds of weather—San Francisco’s skies can go from cloudy, to rainy, to sunny...all in the drop of a (ranger) hat!

Can you help this park ranger get ready for work by putting together her uniform?
Help us tell the story of San Francisco’s most famous river otter!

Instructions:
1. Don’t peek at the next page! Start by filling out the list of words to the left. You can write anything you like—in fact, the sillier the better!
2. Turn the page and find the story.
3. Use your list of words to fill in the blanks. (Your word list is already in the right order to match the story, so just go down the list.)
4. Play with a friend or by yourself. Use a pencil so you can erase and try again.
5. Have fun!

Helpful hints:
A noun is a person, place, or thing.
Example: an otter.
An adjective describes a noun.
Example: a playful otter.
A verb is an action word.
Example: the otter plays.
A past tense verb describes an action that took place in the past.
Example: the otter played.
Plural means “more than one.”
Example: two otters.
Once upon a time, _____ years ago, a ____ river otter decided to set up a home in the ruins of San Francisco’s Sutro Baths.

Sutro Baths was a _______ place to make a home! The baths had tasty ____ _, lots of fresh ______ to eat, and even some really ____ views! The locals of ______ decided to nickname the otter “Sutro Sam,” in honor of his new ________.

Sutro Sam was famous! Newspapers ran stories about the ______ otter for ______ weeks. People came to see him from far and wide, and watched as he _______ and _______ in the water. Everyone was ______ to see a river otter in a place where there hadn’t been one for ______ years.

But Sutro Sam didn’t want to hang out with ________, he ______ wanted to be with other ______! So, one day, he disappeared...

No one knows where Sutro Sam is now. What do you think? Maybe he’s _______ with the _______ or _______ at ________!

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Baby Coho Salmon Swim:

Snowy Plover Word Search:

AXPLOVERNZ
YBFGMDEIFT
EJBEAKLMJR
QNECZUPVKF
P-HABITATG
LRCOEHQYHA
XKHBLIDPT
EMCKSATUSJH
NZOLTWNNOE
DSANDXBEAR