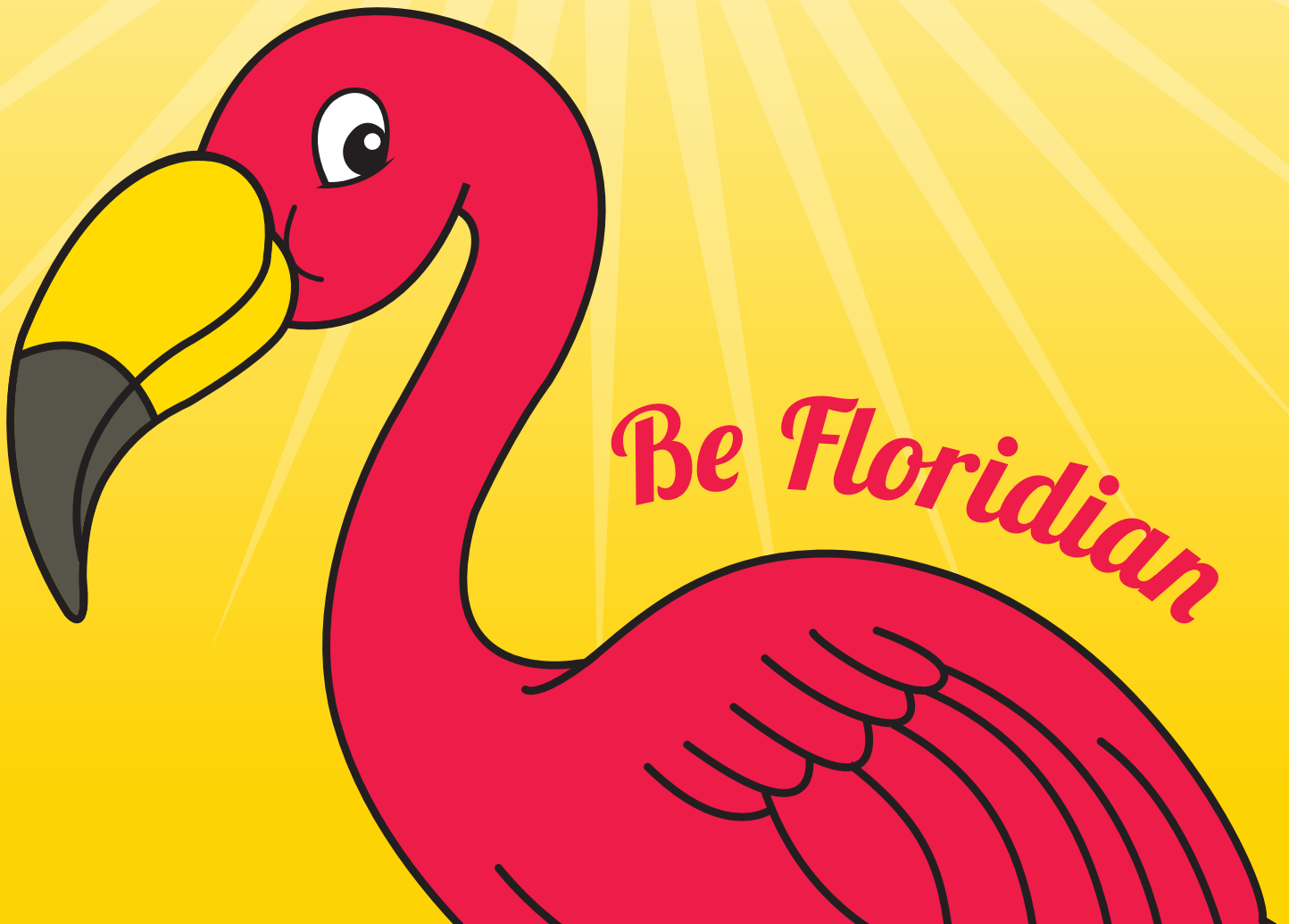
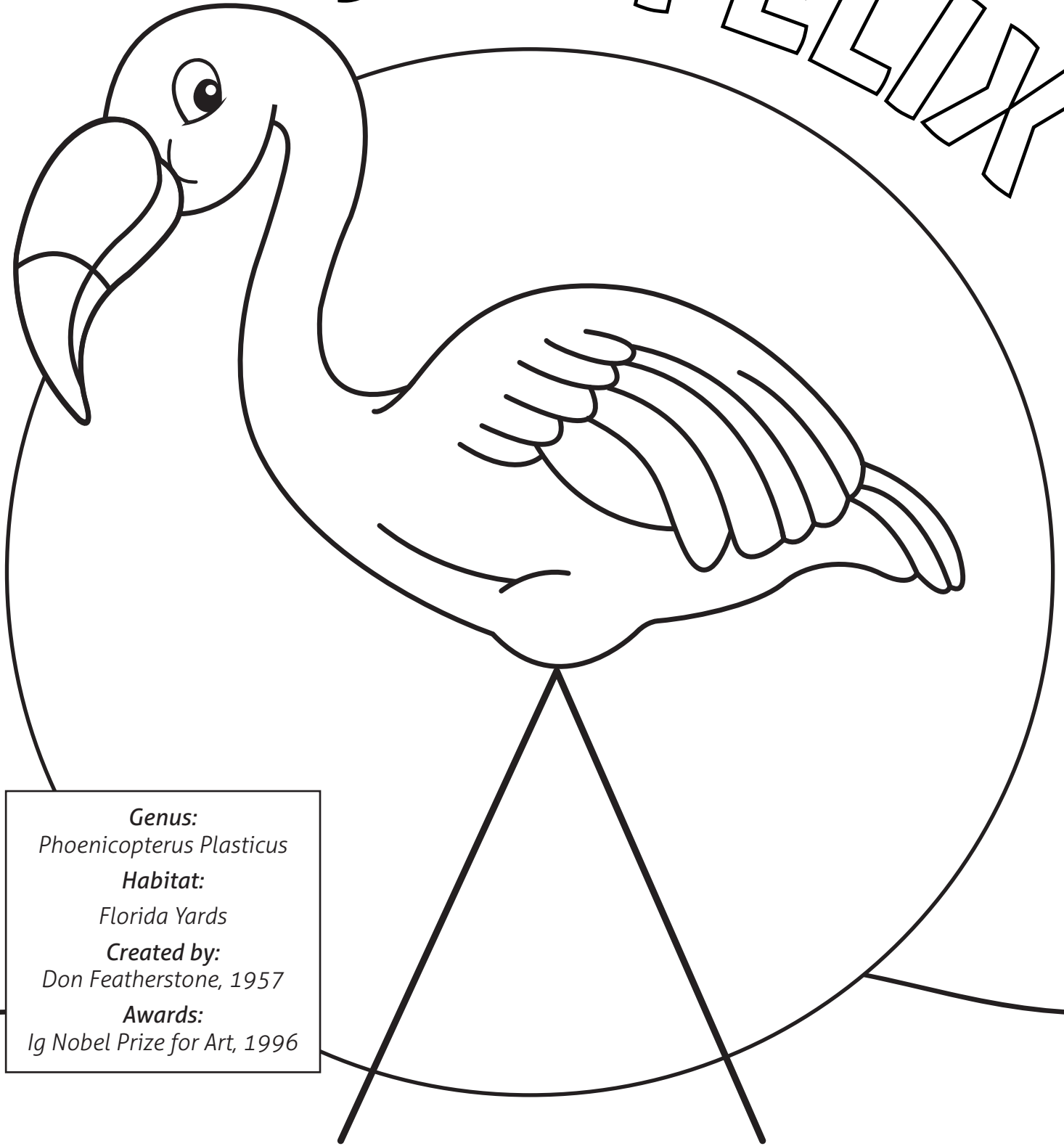


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MEET FELIX



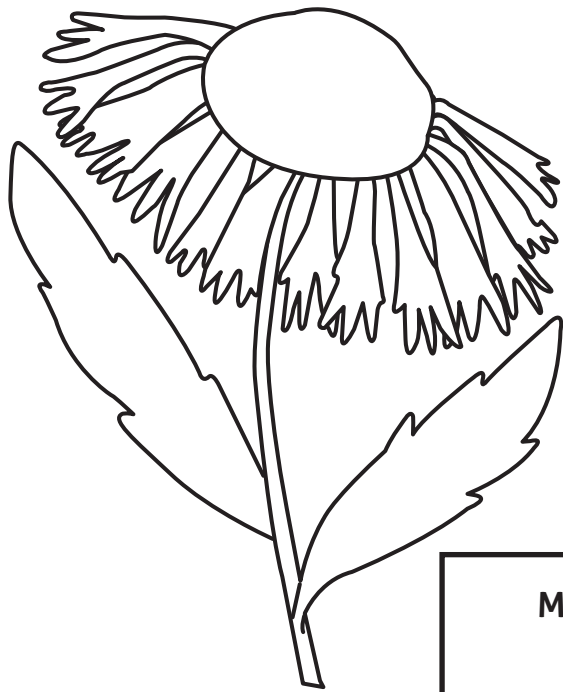
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Habitat:
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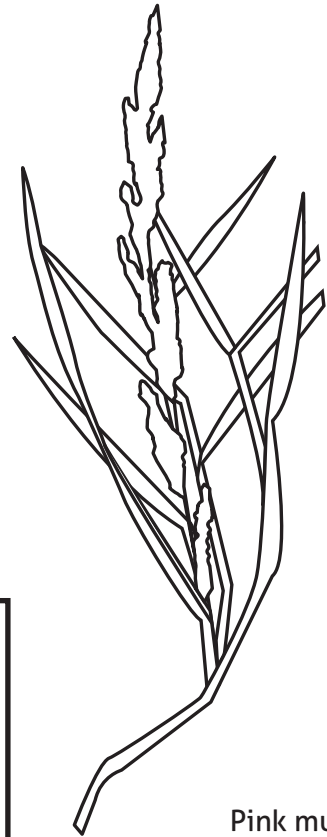
Created by:
Don Featherstone, 1957

Awards:
Ig Nobel Prize for Art, 1996

Felix the Flamingo likes to dress up. Can you draw a funny outfit for him to wear?

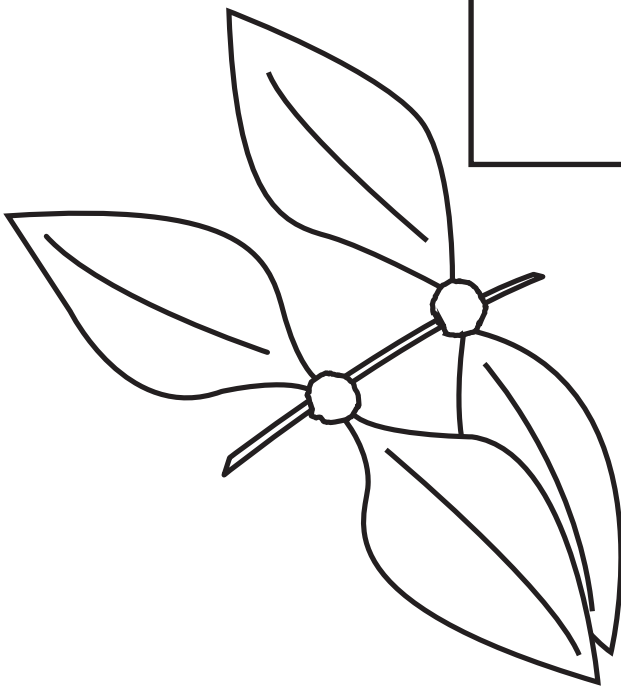


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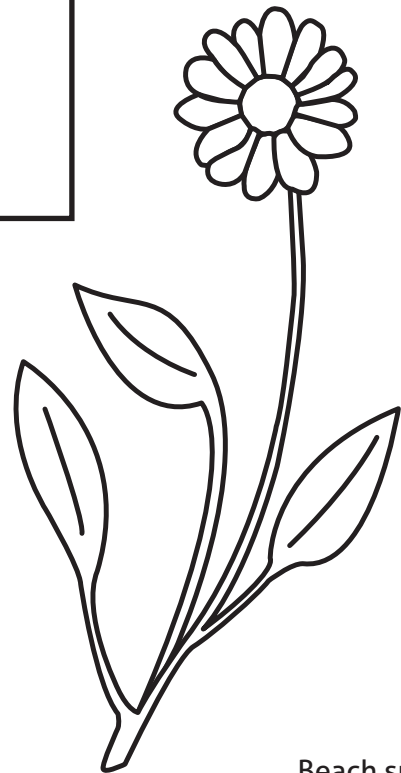


Pink muhly grass

MY FAVORITE FLOWER

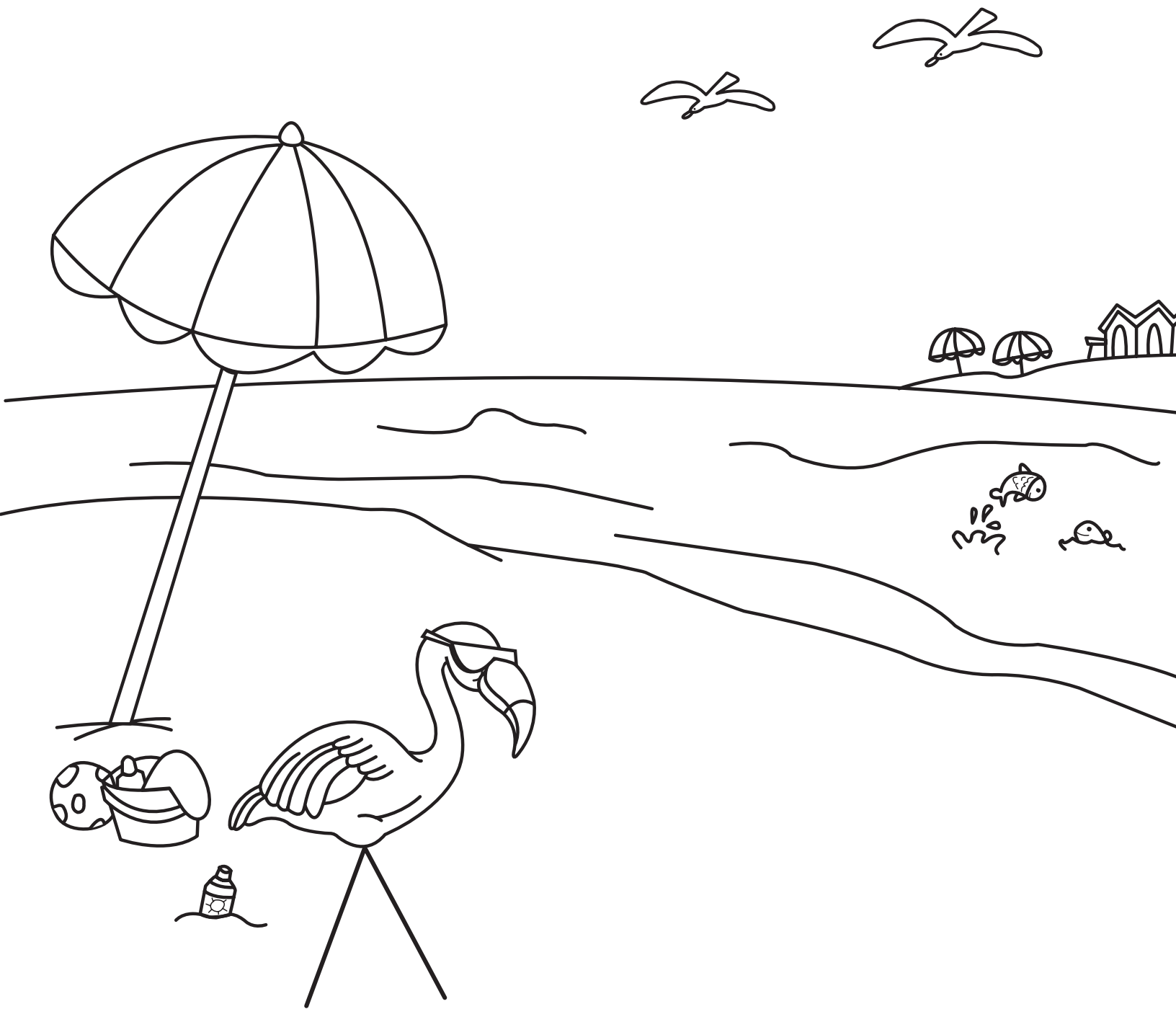


Beautyberry



Beach sunflower

Felix likes plants and flowers that are easy to grow in Florida. These are some of his favorites.
What is your favorite flower?



Felix likes to relax at the beach. Can you draw yourself having fun with Felix?

WORD SEARCH

V Q Z X L D Y N D B H O V R N
I P N M T F E R C B S S V Z G
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BOATING
DEAD ZONE
ESTUARY
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FISH
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SEAGRASS
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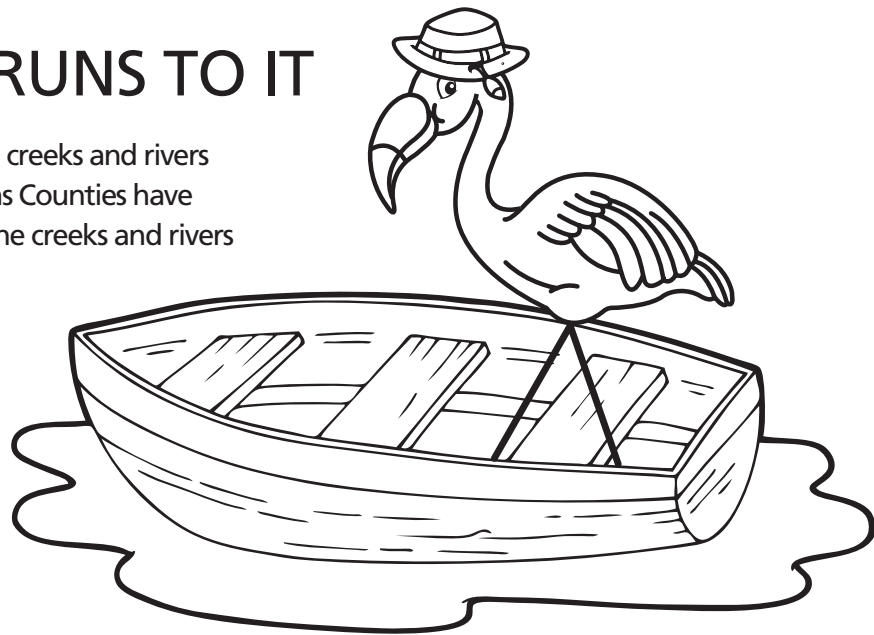
TAMPA BAY: A RIVER RUNS TO IT

Tampa Bay is an estuary. An estuary is a place where creeks and rivers meet the ocean. Hillsborough, Manatee, and Pinellas Counties have lots of creeks and rivers that flow into Tampa Bay. The creeks and rivers carry fresh water that the Bay needs to stay healthy.

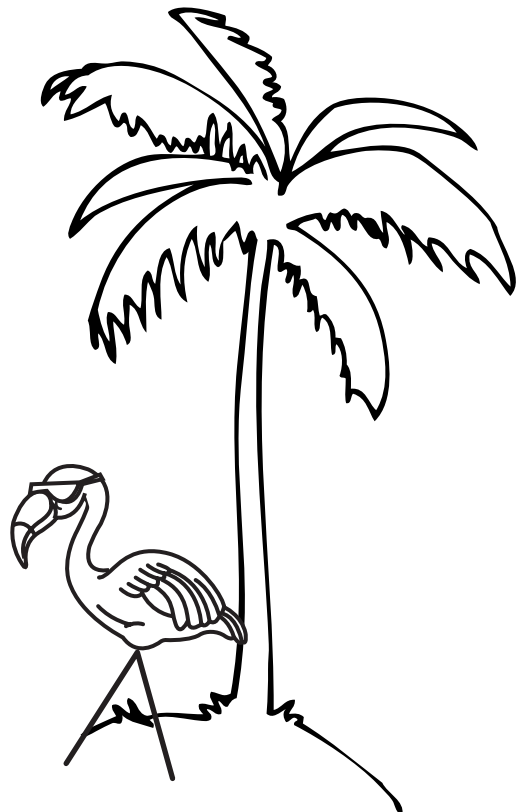
In the summer, rains wash fertilizer off our yards, into the creeks and rivers, and then into the Bay. All that fertilizer makes algae grow. Algae blooms are not just icky to look at. They can be unsafe to swim and boat in. And algae can kill fish and seagrass, creating "dead zones" in the Bay where nothing can live or grow.

We can help Tampa Bay by not using any fertilizer in our yards during the summer rainy season. We can also put litter in trashcans and pick up after our pets. That keeps trash and pet poop out of the water we like to swim and boat in.

Together we can keep our creeks, rivers and Tampa Bay clean and healthy – so they are fun places to play.



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Help us make sure everyone knows to skip the fertilizer this summer.
Together, we Floridians can protect our fun.

