

Look at Sandy's **long beak**. Cranes use their long, hard beaks to dig for food in the ground or shallow water.

Her **long neck** also helps her reach down to find food.

Hello, my name is Sandy, and I am a crane.

Color Sandy and read why she is called a crane.



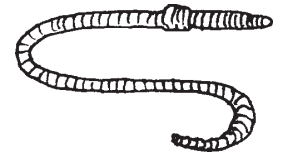
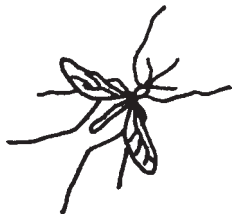
Cranes are also very **tall!** Some cranes are over 5 feet tall!! How tall are you?

Most cranes have a **red patch** on their heads. When they show the patch to other cranes or people it means "Stop!"

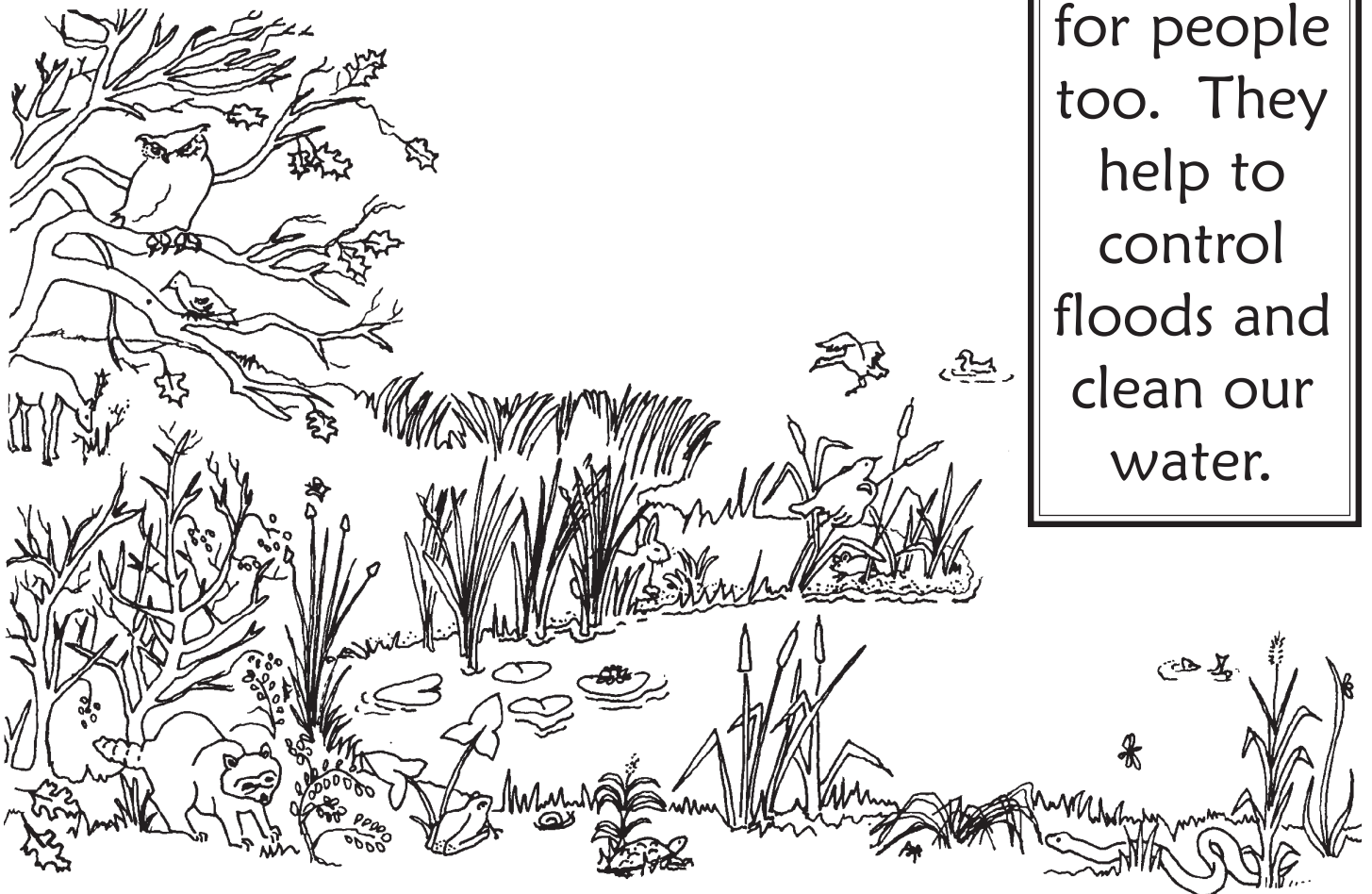
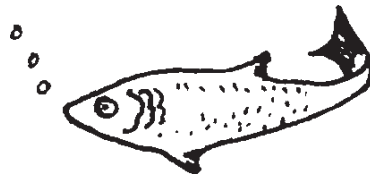
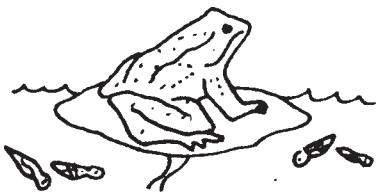
How do people use red to say "Stop! Warning!"?



The **long legs** on a crane help them walk through shallow water, where they nest and feed.



Cranes live in wonderfully wet places called **wetlands**. What other animals can you find that call a wetland home?



Wetlands are helpful for people too. They help to control floods and clean our water.

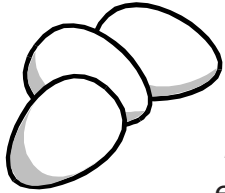


# Crane Menu

If you were a crane, what would you eat?  
Color or circle the foods that the cranes would  
feed to their chick.

Where would the cranes find these foods?





# Crane Count!

Meg, a Siberian crane chick, has been counting the days inside her egg until she hatches. To draw a picture of Meg as she hatches from

her egg, solve the following math questions and find the answers on the dot-to-dot puzzle on the next page. Connect your answers in order, beginning with the first question, until the picture is complete. To get you started, we have completed the first two questions for you and have connected the dots on the puzzle. (Caution: You will not use all of the numbers on the dot-to-dot. Only use the answers that you find for the math questions to draw your picture.)

1)  $5+3=$  **8**

14)  $32+5=$

27)  $41+9=$

2)  $1+6=$  **7**

15)  $25-6=$

28)  $50-9=$

3)  $30-5=$

16)  $24-2=$

29)  $35+1=$

4)  $30+5=$

17)  $1+1=$

30)  $21+6=$

5)  $15-3=$

18)  $40-9=$

31)  $20+18=$

6)  $4+11=$

19)  $12+9=$

32)  $9-6=$

7)  $9+20=$

20)  $5+4=$

33)  $28+4=$

8)  $7-1=$

21)  $20-4=$

34)  $39-5=$

9)  $19-5=$

22)  $15+9=$

35)  $2+2=$

10)  $23+5=$

23)  $35-2=$

36)  $9-4=$

11)  $9+2=$

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12)  $15-15=$

25)  $40+5=$

38)  $20-3=$

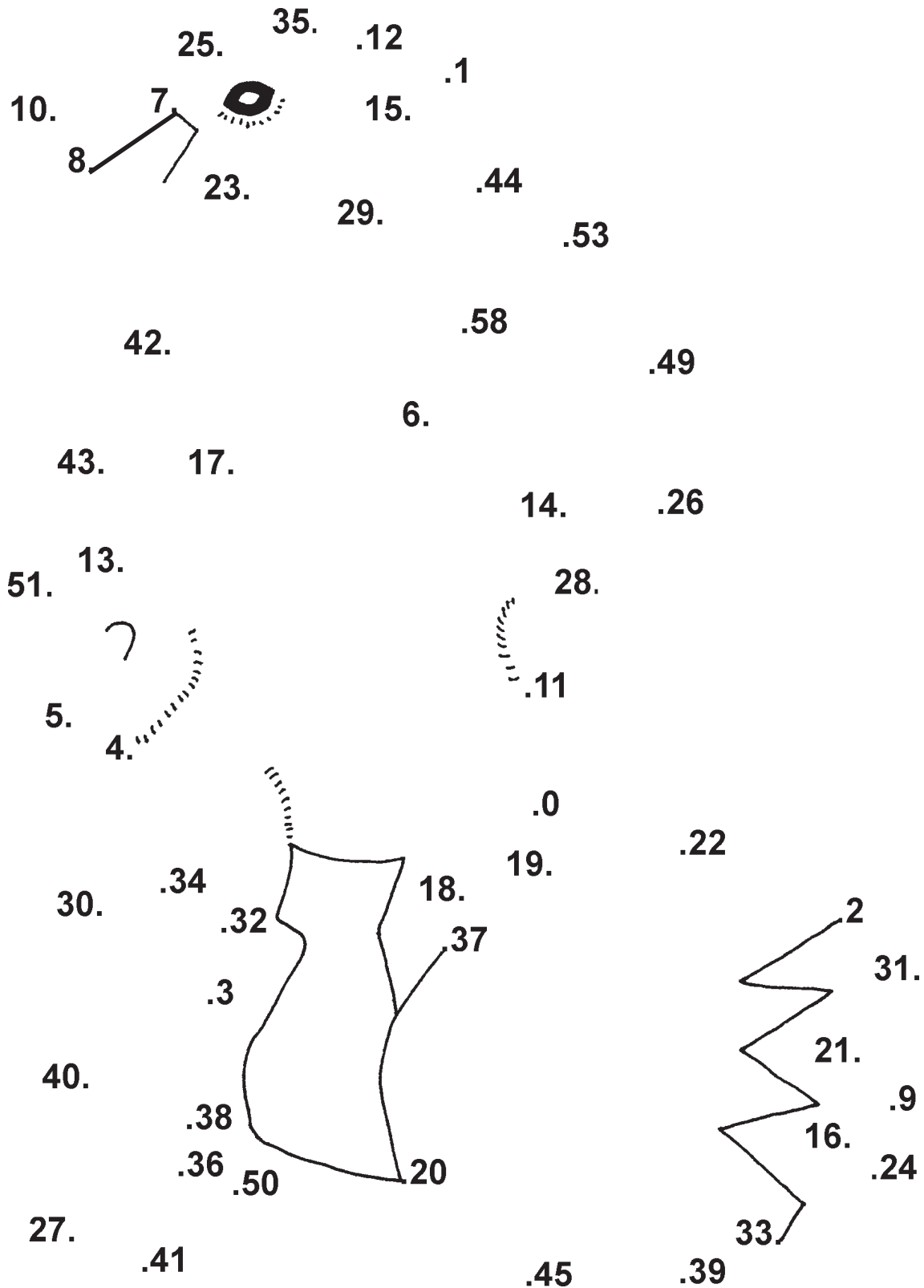
13)  $20-2=$

26)  $10+10=$

39)  $20+3=$

40)  $10-2=$

# Meg



# Crane Puppet

To make your own crane puppet, first color and cut out the pieces of the crane's body. Poke a hole through the lettered dots and connect the same letters on the different pieces with paper fasteners.

