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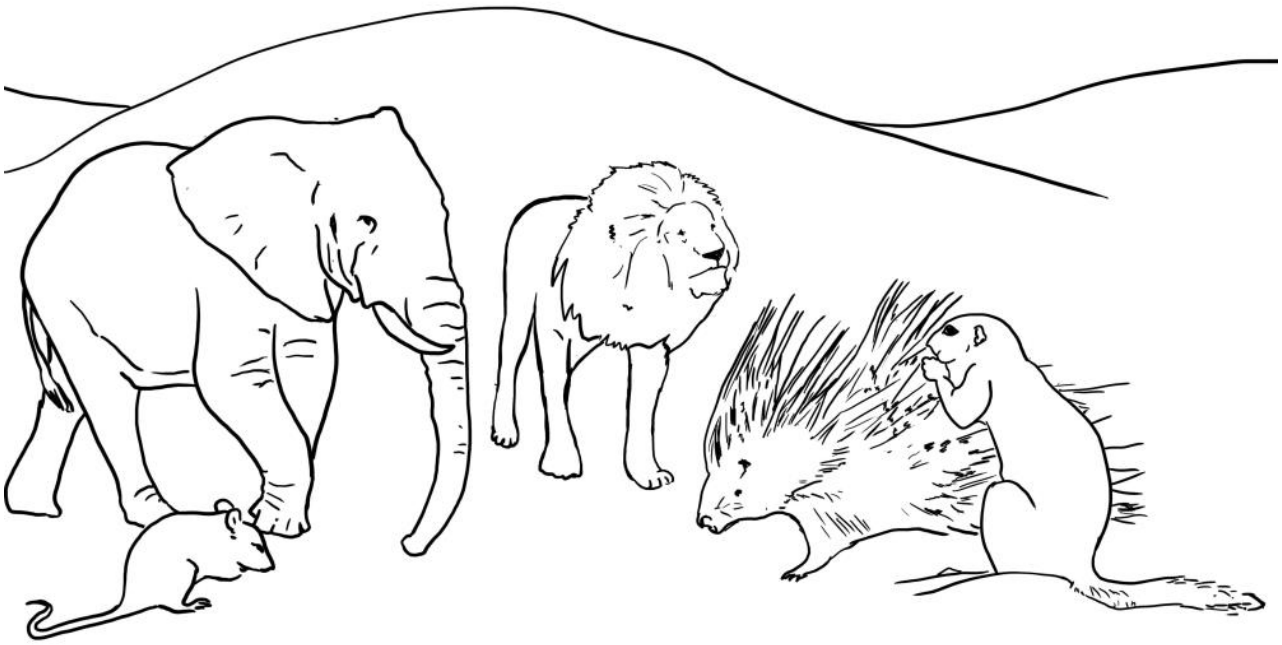

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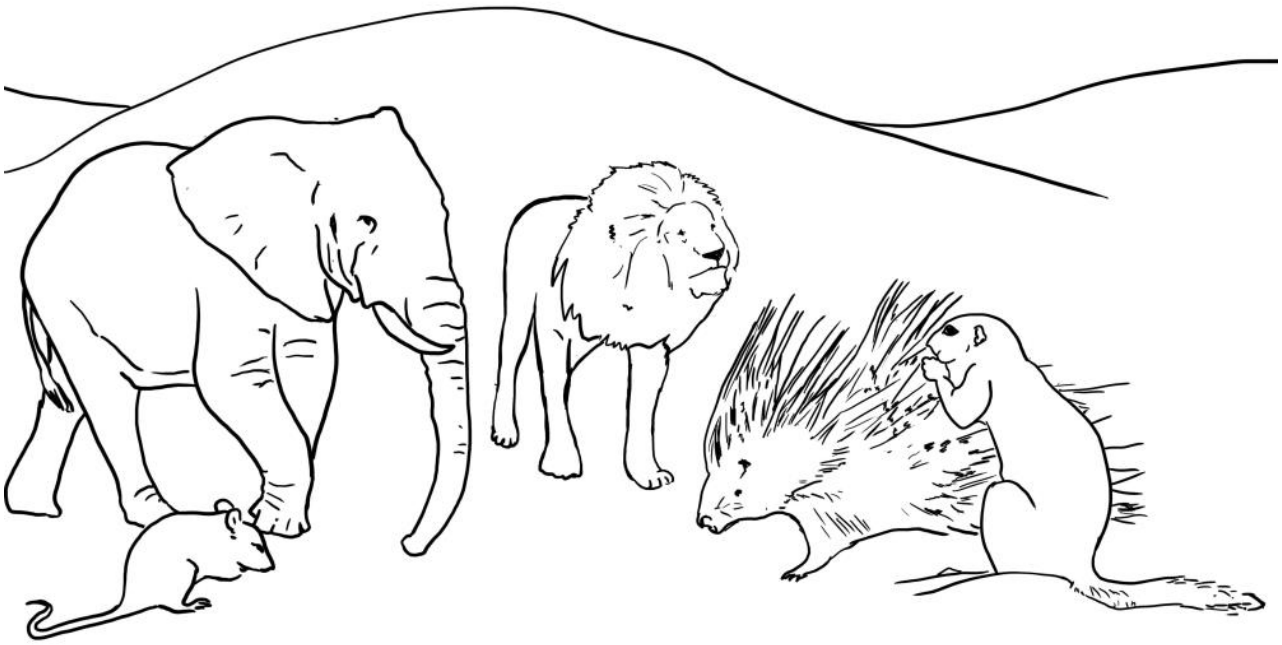

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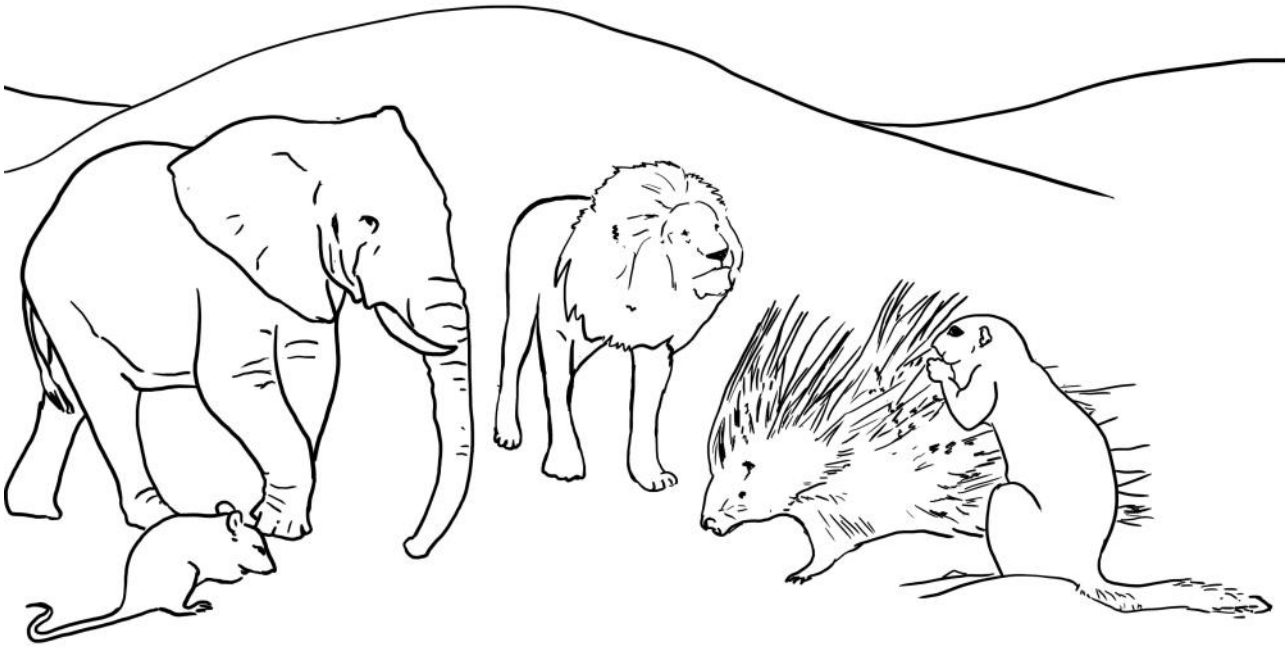

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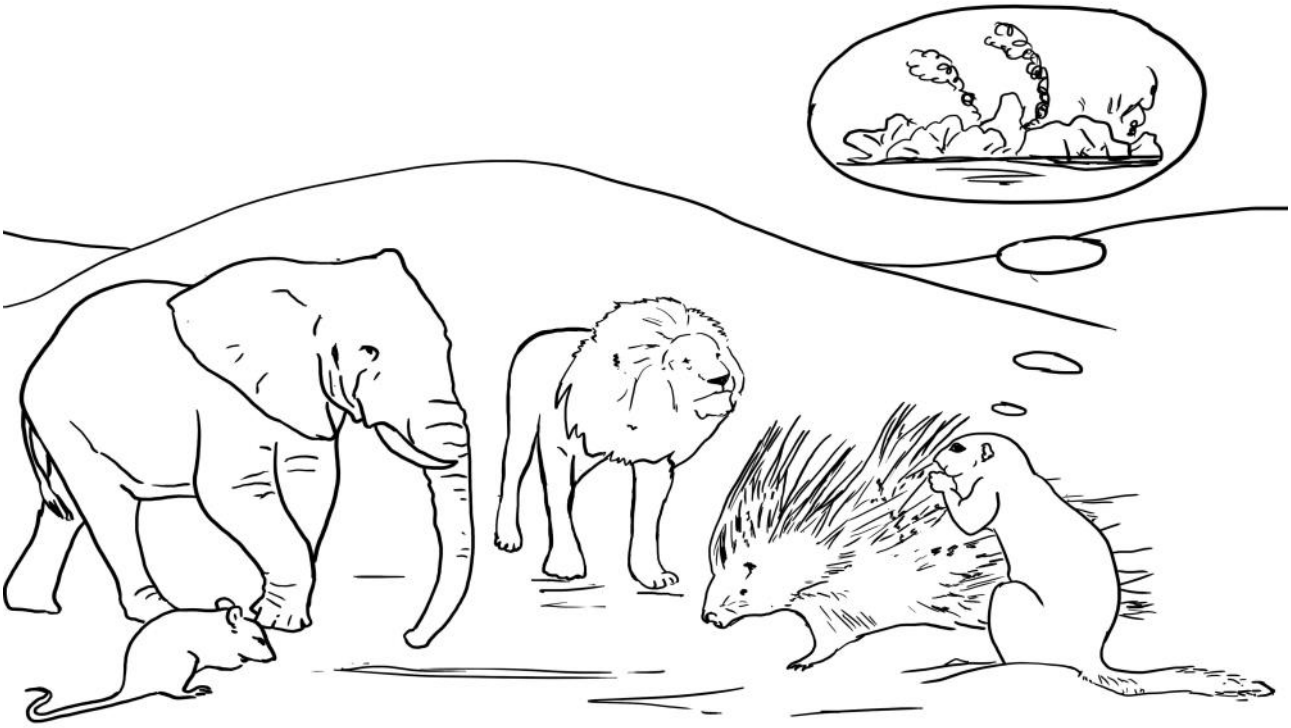

U ssissikini koń‡ ko, “Hoǹ‡ k‡ss ‡ tat wawan dam Ǹ‡ ssa g‡ antt. U di kwa y‡ we ‡ tat shab‡t?”

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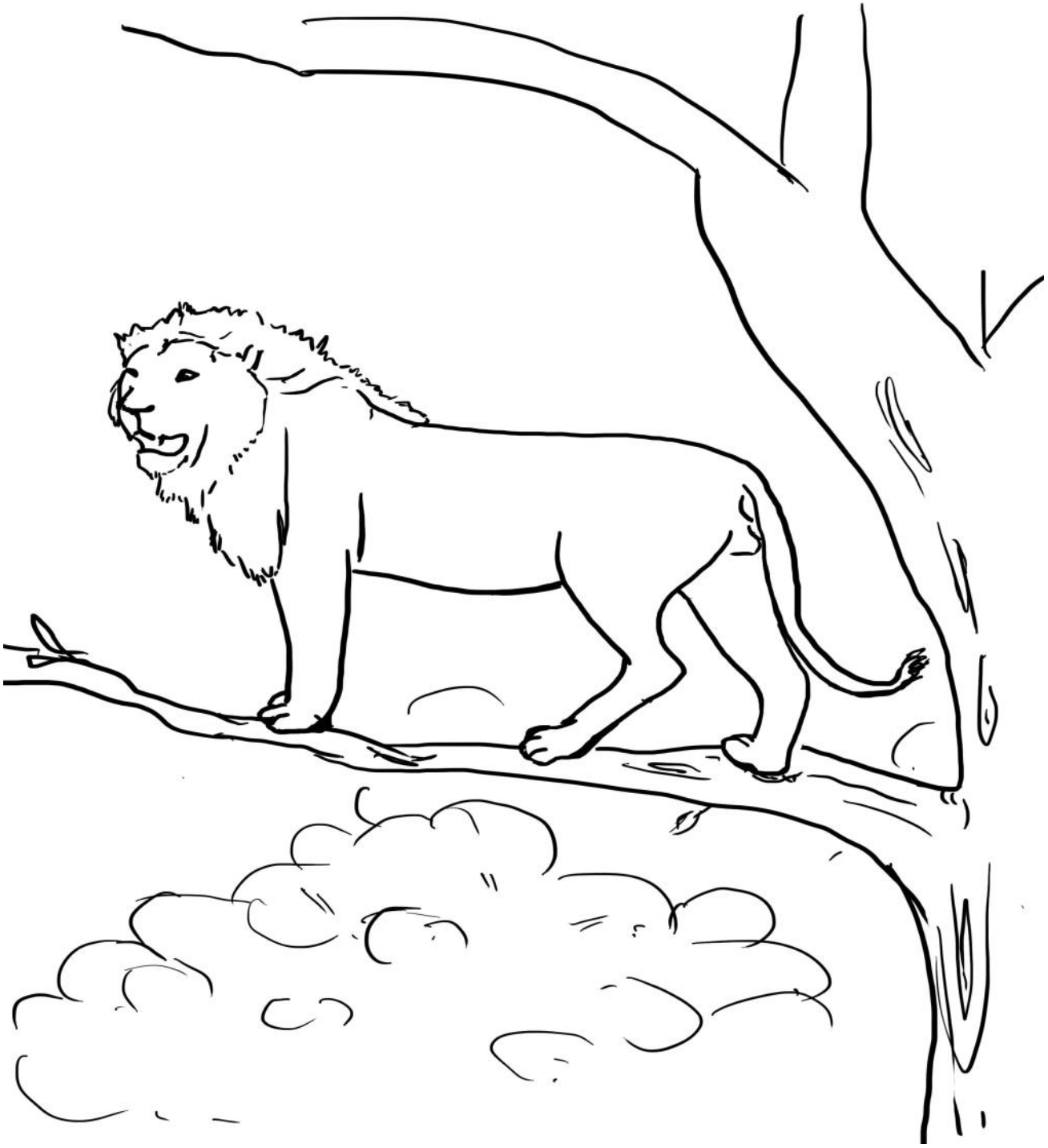
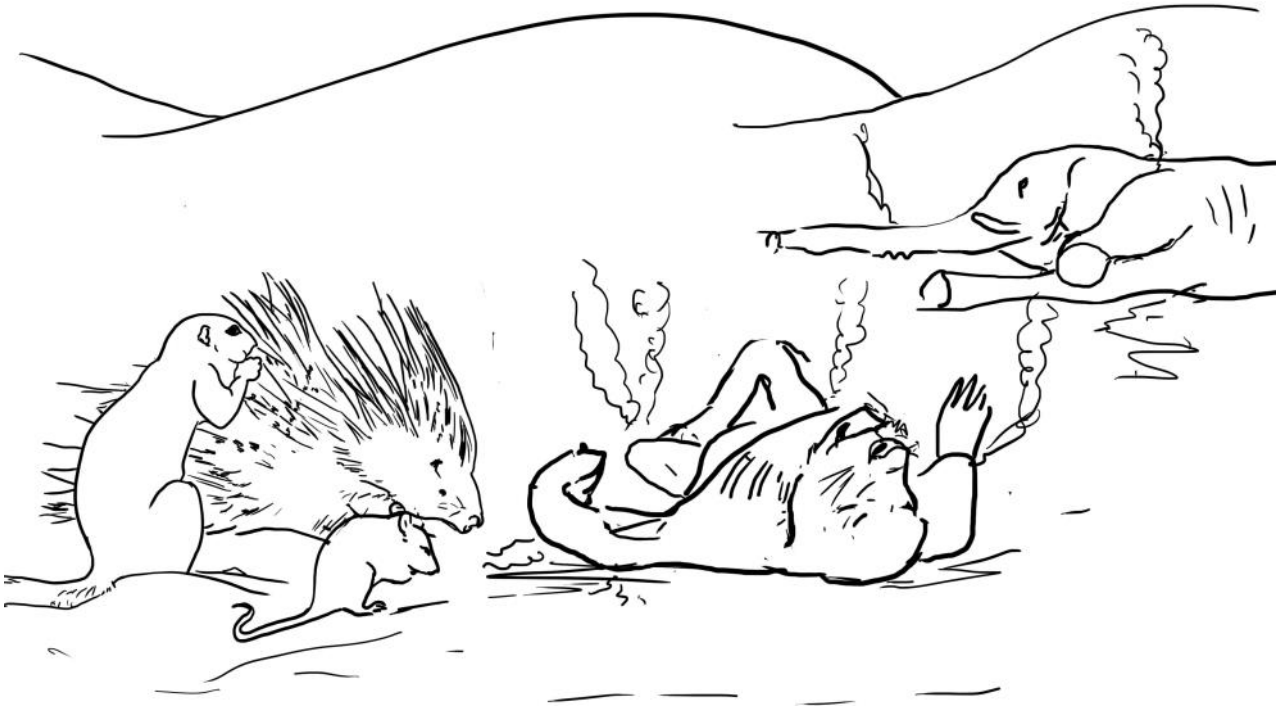


Ʉ ze shɨ, sela poppńa wus swaya.

Ʉ kwɨ shɨ, kɨssa poppńa tat wawan.

Ma kwɨ a ma mɨn kʉmʉtt ttanttbɨ antt. Ze gɨ ʉ kwɨ tɨbɨgɨ sha kkʉndʉtt ɨ tat antt.

U ssissikini koǵɨ ko, “Ze gɨ ʉ kwɨ hʉn ɨ ya? Hoo shammʉ̄n sham□”



Gɨ shambʉn sham, ho kambʉn ɨ tat shabʉt mab sha kkʉndʉtt.

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Gɨ dono, ssissikini, ssɨ gɨ kakkash mo dushbi mo.

English Translation:

The five animals

1. The squirrel, rat, porcupine, lion and elephant competed together.
2. The squirrel said, "We will enter into the bush! Let's ignite a fire. Who will come out of it?"
3. The squirrel, rat and porcupine went into the bush and entered holes.
4. The lion, he climbed a tree to hide himself.
5. The elephant entered into the tall grass and hid himself.
6. The leaders of the five animals ignited the fire. The lion and elephant were eaten/burned to death in the fire.
7. The squirrel said: "Where are the lion and the elephant? Let's go and look for them!"
8. When they searched for them, they found them in an open place, burnt.
9. Then the squirrel, the rat and the porcupine came out as the winners.

Amharic Translation:

አምስቱ እንስሶች

1. ፍልፈል ፤ አይጥ፤ ከርከሮ፤ አንበሳ እና ዝሆን ተወዳደሩ።
2. ፍልፈል "ወደ ጫካ እንግባና እሳት እናቀጣጥል እና ማን ክእሳት ውስጥ ቀድሞ እንደሚውጣ እናያለን" አለ።
3. ፍልፈል አይጥና ከርከሮ ወደ ጫካ ሄደው ቀዳዳ ውስጥ ገቡ።
4. አንበሳው ራሱን ለመድበቅ ዛፍ ላይ ወጣ።
5. ዝሆኑ ረዣዥም ሳር ውስጥ ገብቶ ተደበቀ።
6. የአምስቱም እንስሶች መሪዎቻችው እሳቱን አቀጣጠሉ። አንበሳውና ዝሆኑ እሳቱ አቃጥሎአችው ሊሞቱ ደረሱ።
7. ፍልፈል "አንበሳና ዝሆኑ የት አሉ ሄደን እንፈልጋችው" አለ።
8. ሲፈልጉ ሲፈልጉ አንድ ቦታ ላይ ተቃጥልውአገኟችው።
9. ፍልፈል አይጥና ከርከሮ አሸናፊ ሆነው ከጫካ ወጡ።