

Hazard Hamlet Colouring Book

An Electrical Safety Colouring Book

Introduction



How many times will you use electricity today?

- Toast your toast.
- Turn on a light.
- Switch on the television.
- Open the fridge.
- Listen to the radio.
- Wash with hot water.

Count the number of times you use electricity in one day.

Write your answer below.

Electricity is very useful. But electricity can be very dangerous!

Electricity is always trying to find the easiest path to the ground. If you touch electricity (or something touching the electricity) and the ground at the same time, you become a path. Electricity will flow through you and you could be seriously injured or killed. Your body can conduct electricity because it is mostly water, and electricity flows very easily through water. Stay out of electricity's path.

Harry is a hazard.

Everywhere he goes he gets into trouble with electricity. You could help Harry. On every page you colour make up an electrical safety reminder that would save Harry.

- ◇ You could make the reminder a riddle.
- ◇ You could make the reminder a poem.
- ◇ You could make the reminder a song or a joke.
- ◇ You could write it backwards, or in colours or upside down.
- ◇ You could mix all of the letters up. Then see if a friend can figure it out.
- ◇ We have written a safety rule on each page to help you make up your reminder.



This is Harry.

Stay away from transformers

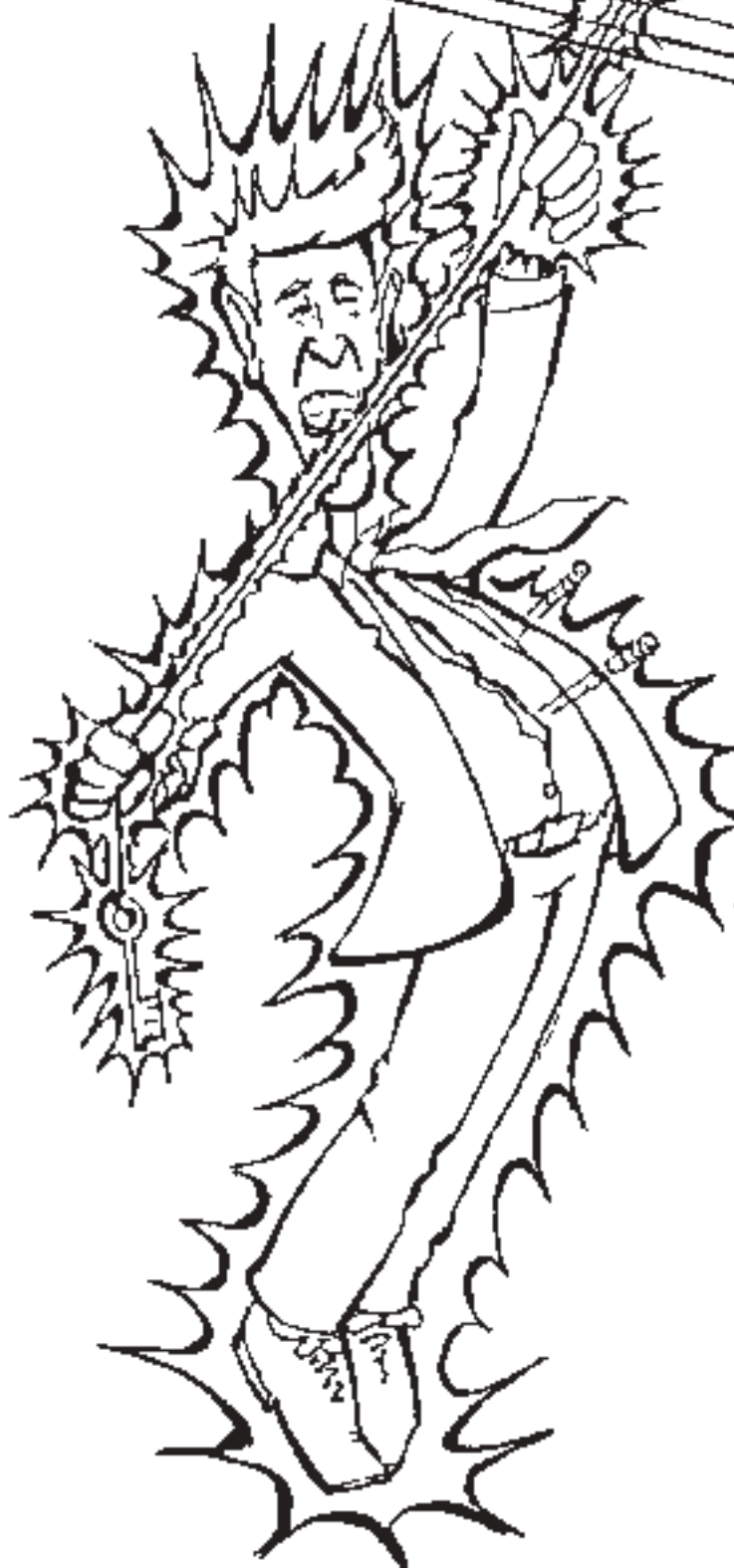
When the sign says “danger” make yourself a stranger.

For your safety stay away from substations and electrical equipment marked “Danger”, “High Voltage” or “Keep Out”. If a ball or toy gets into a substation never try to retrieve it yourself. Ask an adult to call the power company.

◇ Your reminder: _____



Going kite flying



Flying kites can be fine unless you are near a power line.

For your safety fly kites and balloons in wide open spaces far away from power lines. Kites or balloons that come in contact with power lines can cause shock or fire.

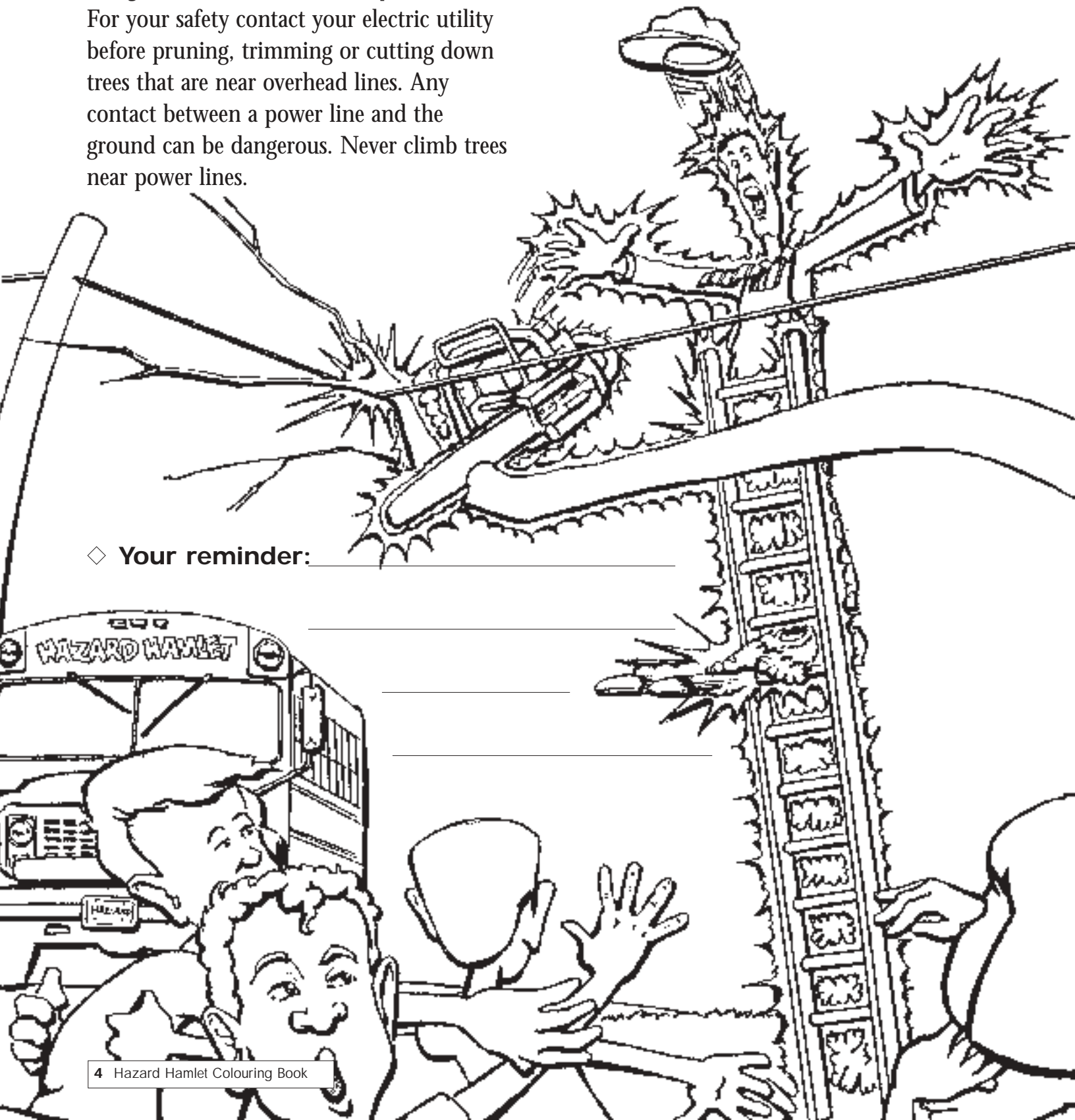
◇ **Your reminder:** _____

Cutting off branches



Stay out of trees near power lines.

For your safety contact your electric utility before pruning, trimming or cutting down trees that are near overhead lines. Any contact between a power line and the ground can be dangerous. Never climb trees near power lines.



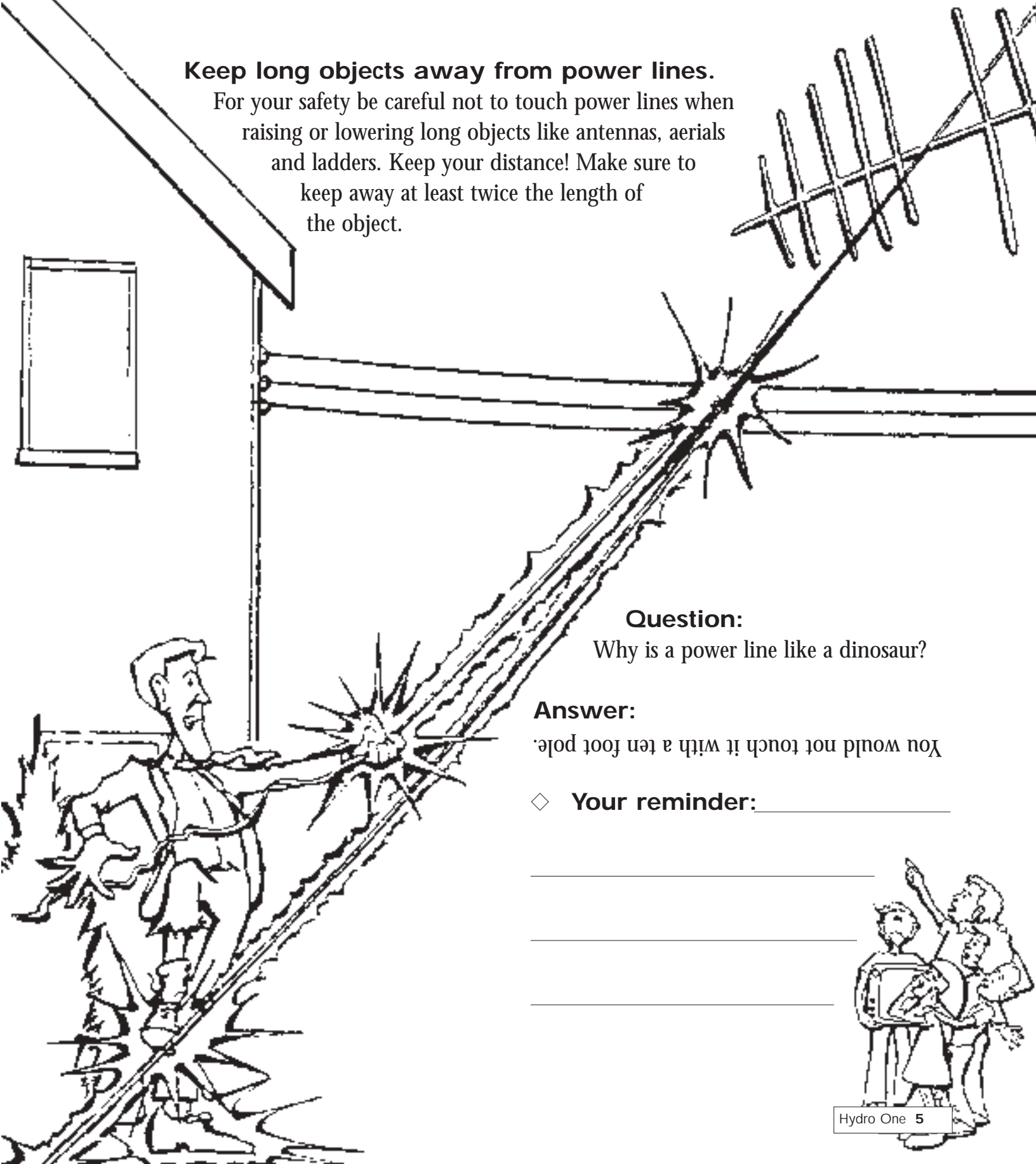
◆ Your reminder: _____

Antennas & Aerials



Keep long objects away from power lines.

For your safety be careful not to touch power lines when raising or lowering long objects like antennas, aerials and ladders. Keep your distance! Make sure to keep away at least twice the length of the object.



Question:

Why is a power line like a dinosaur?

Answer:

You would not touch it with a ten foot pole.

◇ **Your reminder:** _____



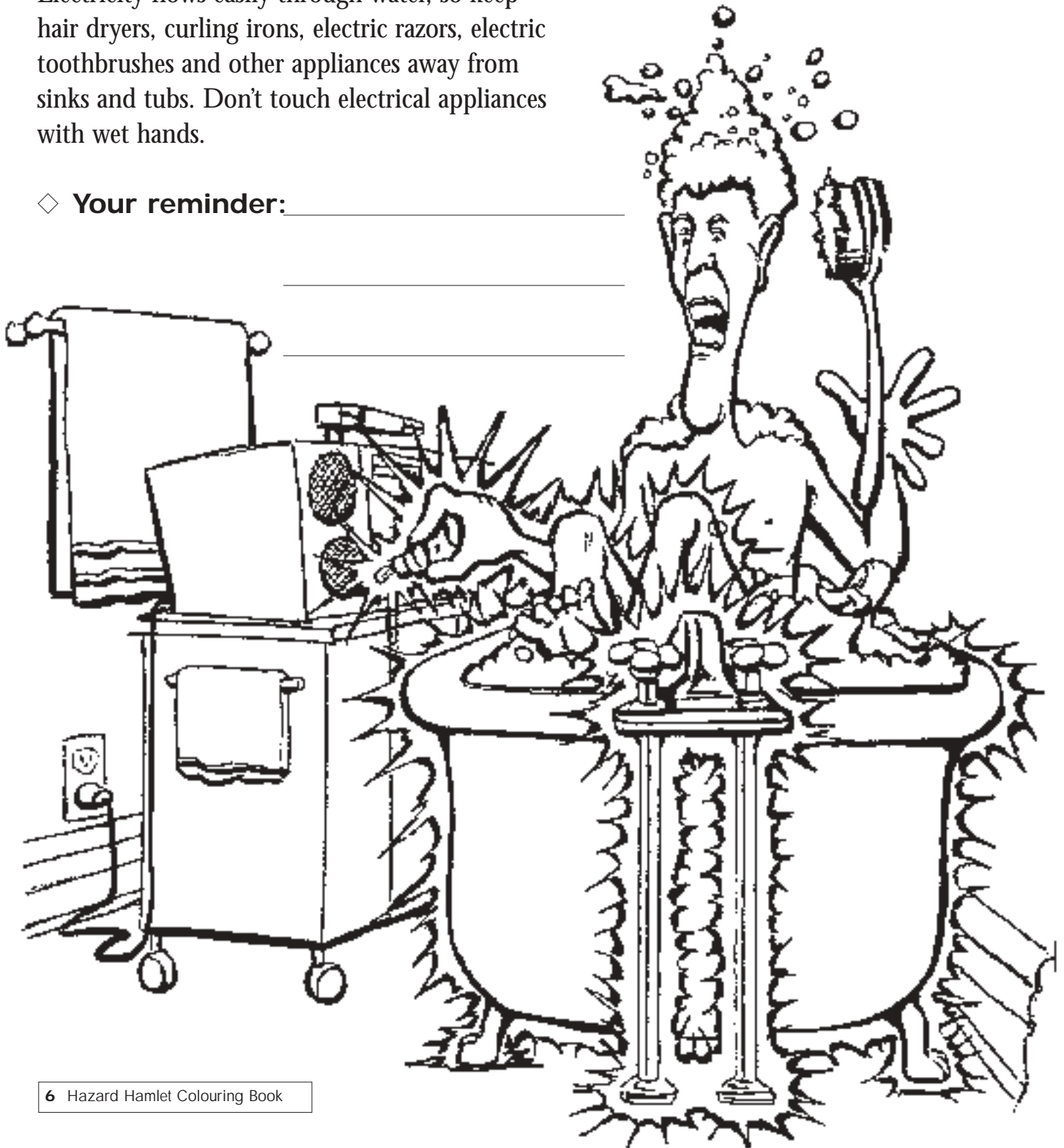
Electricity & water



Rub-A-Dub-Dub, Harry's in the Tub. If you want to keep your smile don't touch that radio dial.

For your safety don't mix water and electricity. Electricity flows easily through water, so keep hair dryers, curling irons, electric razors, electric toothbrushes and other appliances away from sinks and tubs. Don't touch electrical appliances with wet hands.

◇ **Your reminder:** _____



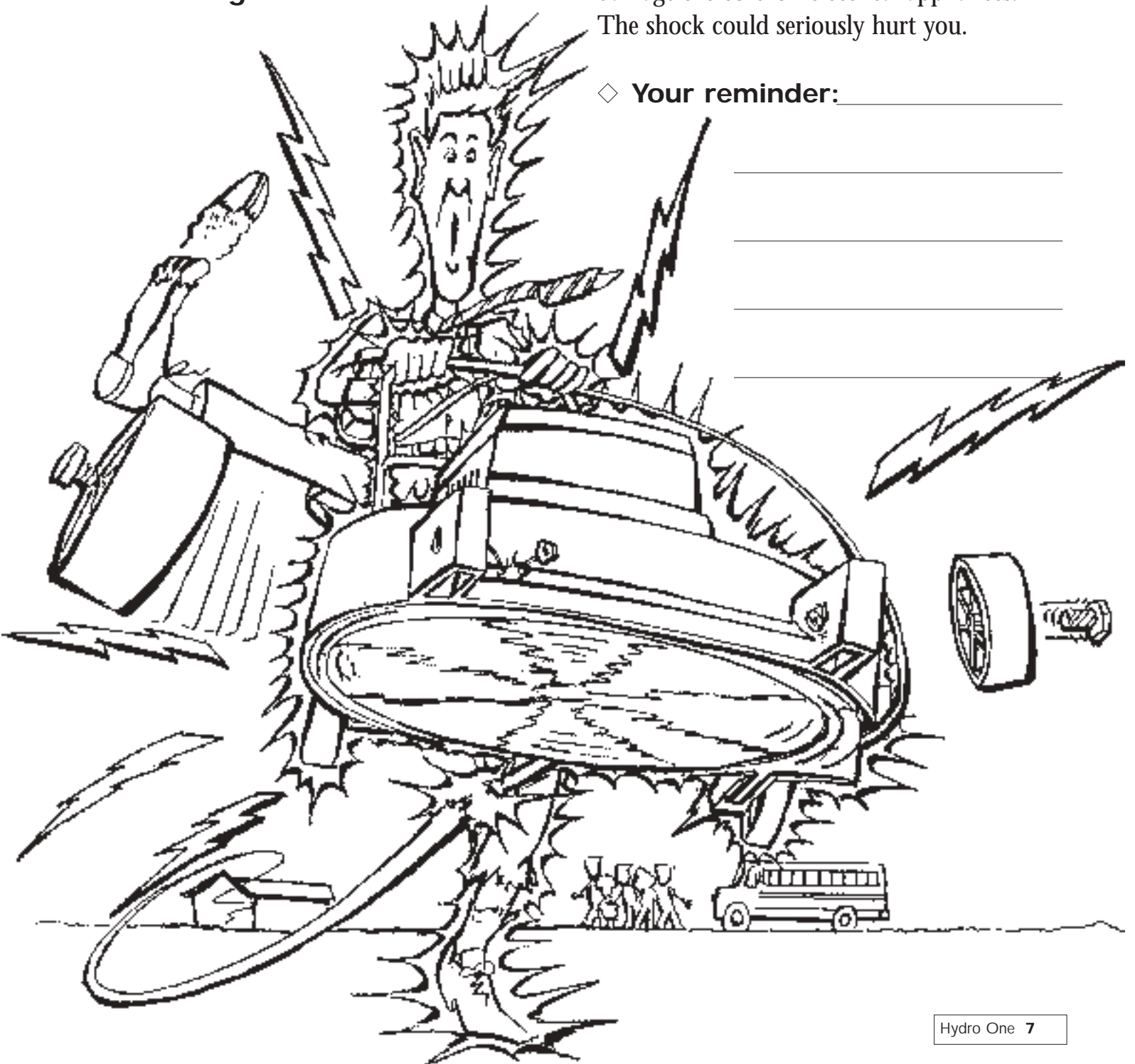
Cutting the grass



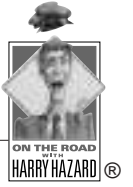
Harry's cutting with the lawn mower,
and suddenly the mower's slower.
He started out to cut the lawn,
but cut the cord and
now he's gone.

For your safety be careful not to cut or
damage the cord on electrical appliances.
The shock could seriously hurt you.

◇ Your reminder: _____



A dip in the pool



Look up and be safe.

For your safety when cleaning the pool, be careful not to raise long handles close to power lines.

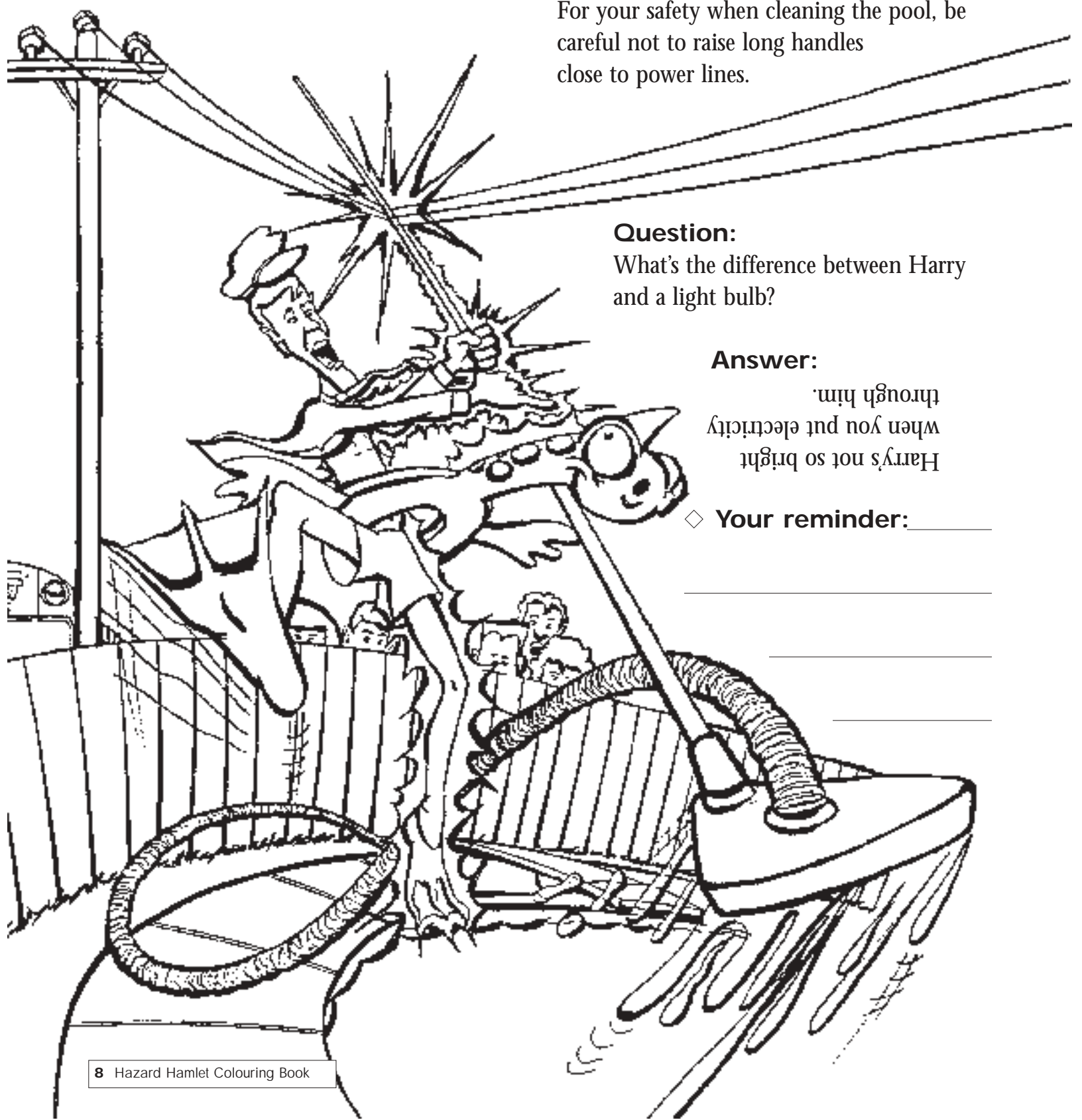
Question:

What's the difference between Harry and a light bulb?

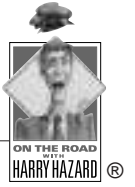
Answer:

Harry's not so bright
when you put electricity
through him.

◆ **Your reminder:** _____



There's danger here



**Don't play around
padmount transformers.**

For your safety stay away from these green metal hydro boxes. Never try to open them or poke things in them. They are locked to keep you safe.

**Can you read backwards?
yatS yawa morf sremrofsnart!**

◇ Your reminder: _____



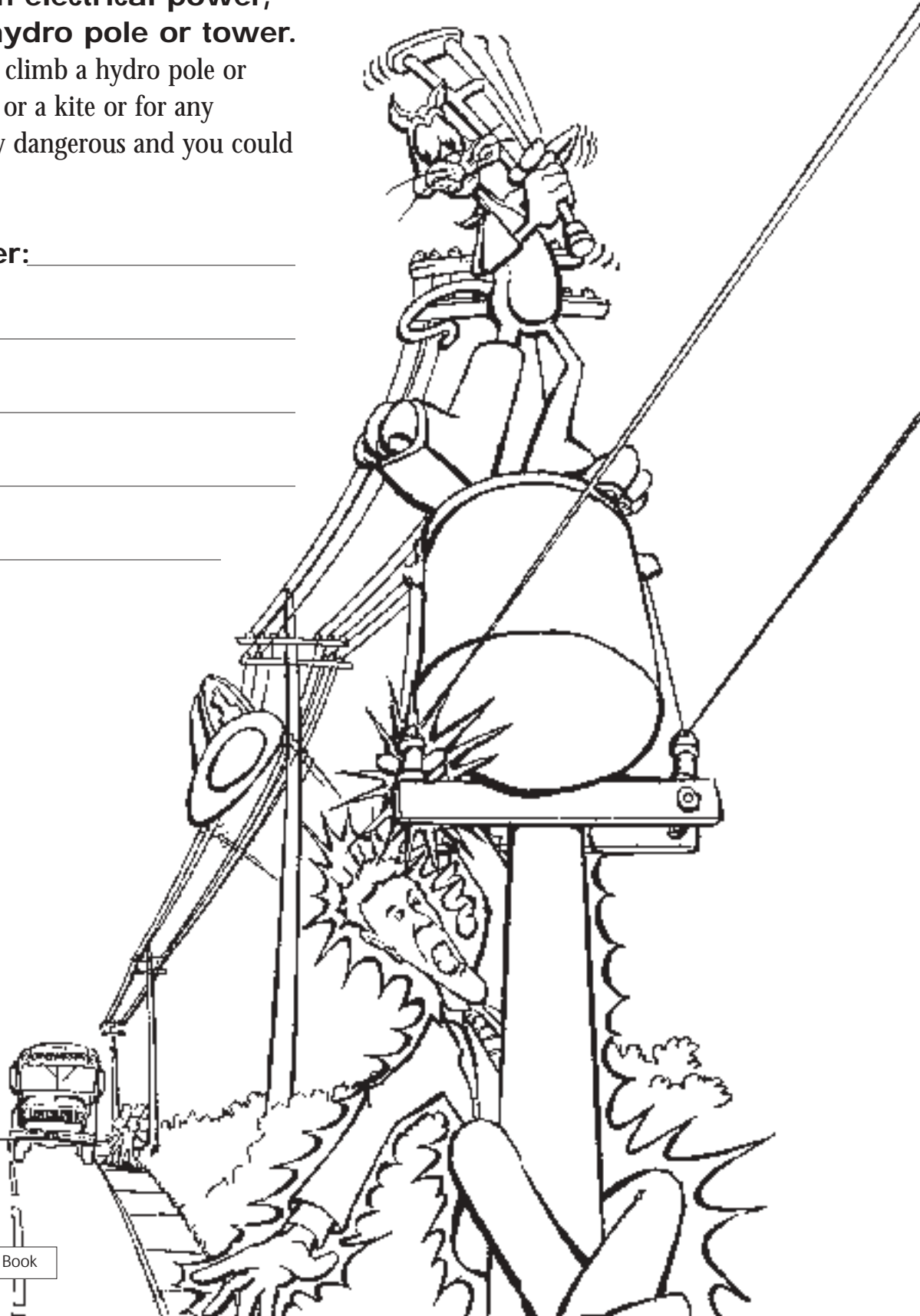
Don't climb utility poles



Stay away from electrical power, never climb a hydro pole or tower.

For your safety don't climb a hydro pole or tower to rescue a cat or a kite or for any other reason. It's very dangerous and you could be shocked.

◆ **Your reminder:** _____



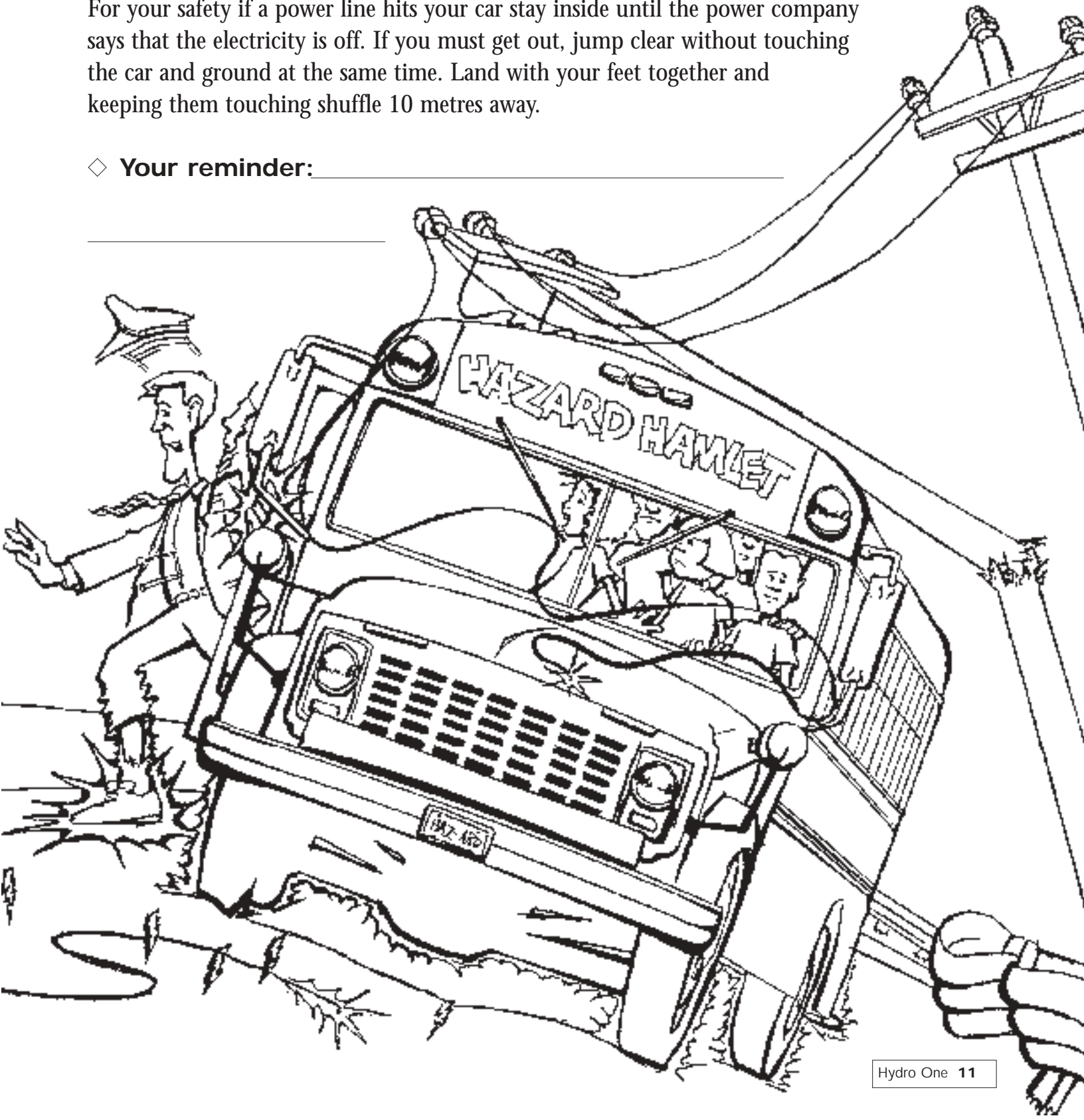
Automobile accidents



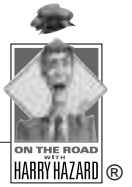
If a power line hits your car, stay exactly where you are.

For your safety if a power line hits your car stay inside until the power company says that the electricity is off. If you must get out, jump clear without touching the car and ground at the same time. Land with your feet together and keeping them touching shuffle 10 metres away.

◇ **Your reminder:** _____

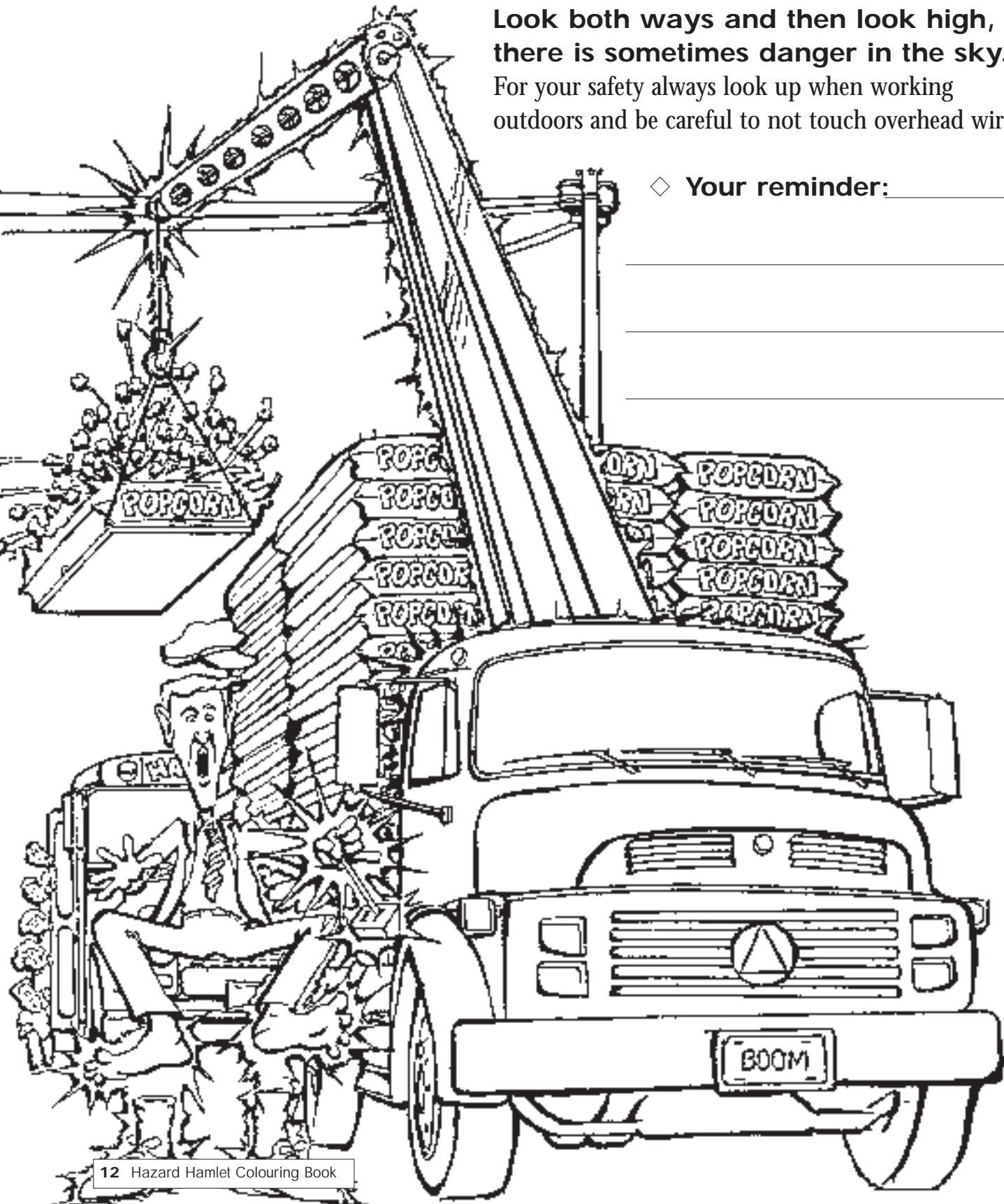


Booms & Cranes

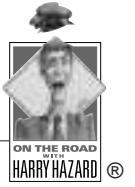


Look both ways and then look high,
there is sometimes danger in the sky.
For your safety always look up when working
outdoors and be careful to not touch overhead wires.

◇ Your reminder: _____



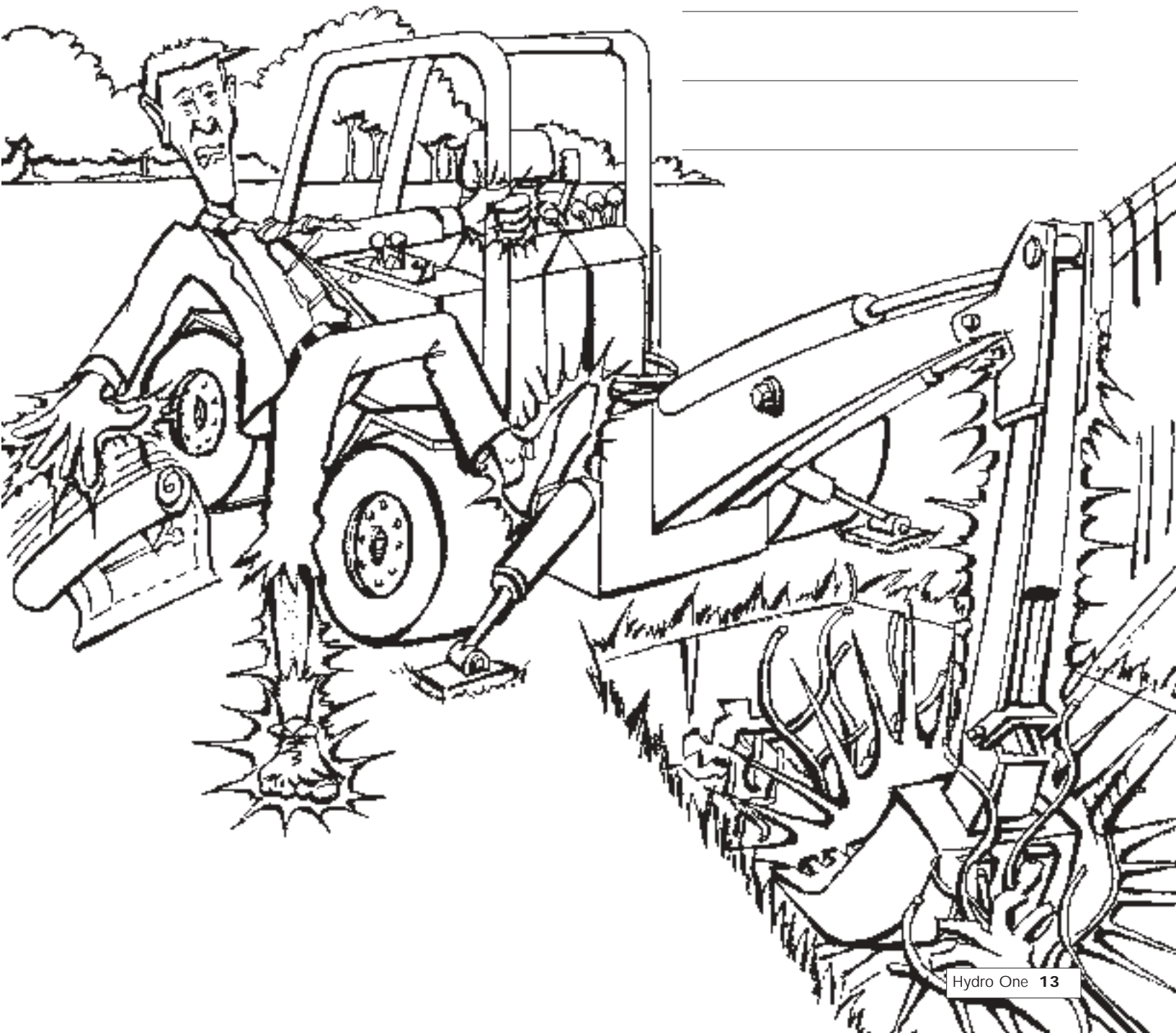
Digging a trench



Call before you dig.

For your safety call your electric utility before digging. Make sure you know the location of buried cables.

◇ Your reminder: _____



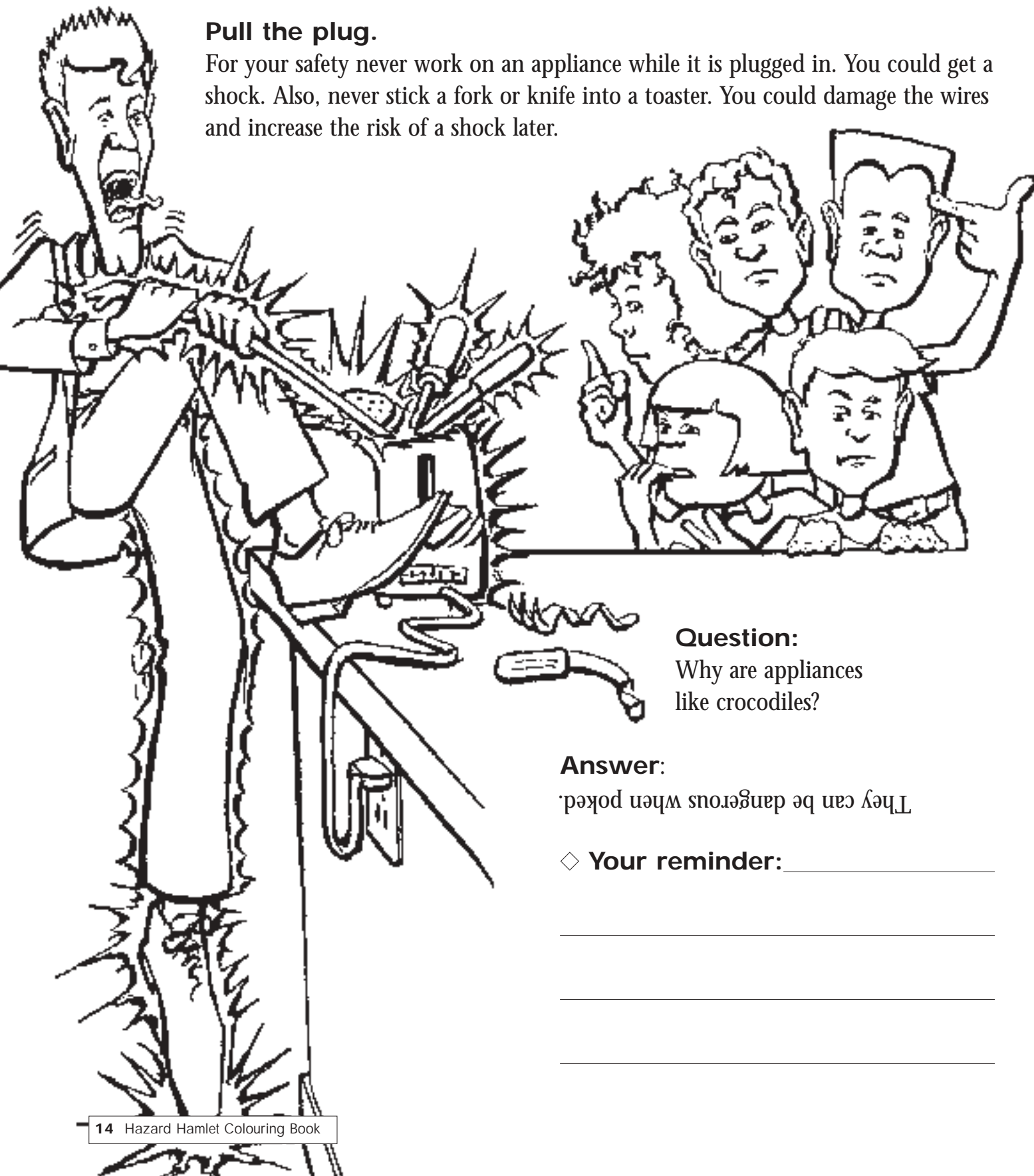


Kitchen appliances



Pull the plug.

For your safety never work on an appliance while it is plugged in. You could get a shock. Also, never stick a fork or knife into a toaster. You could damage the wires and increase the risk of a shock later.



Question:

Why are appliances like crocodiles?

Answer:

They can be dangerous when poked.

◆ Your reminder: _____

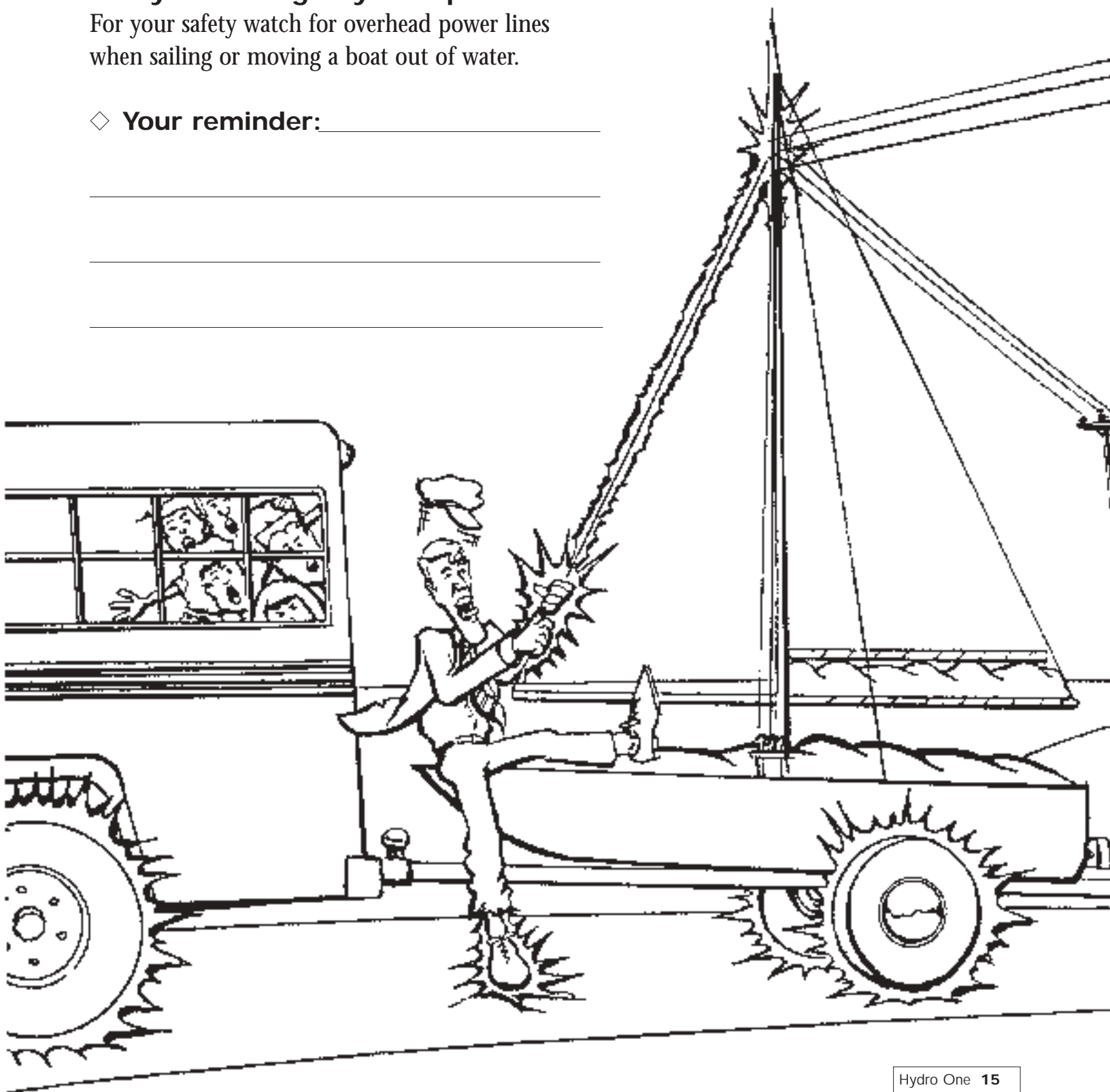
Safe Boating



**Hit a line with your mast,
and your sailing days are past.**

For your safety watch for overhead power lines
when sailing or moving a boat out of water.

◇ **Your reminder:** _____



The last word is yours



What was your favourite electrical safety reminder?

What was your friends' favourite?

Electricity is useful. But electricity can be dangerous too. If you remember your own safety reminders you can stay safe. If you remind other people, you can keep them safe too. It's like being a life guard at a swimming pool. You get to keep others from danger.



**Don't
be like
Harry
Hazard.**

Remember your reminders!

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