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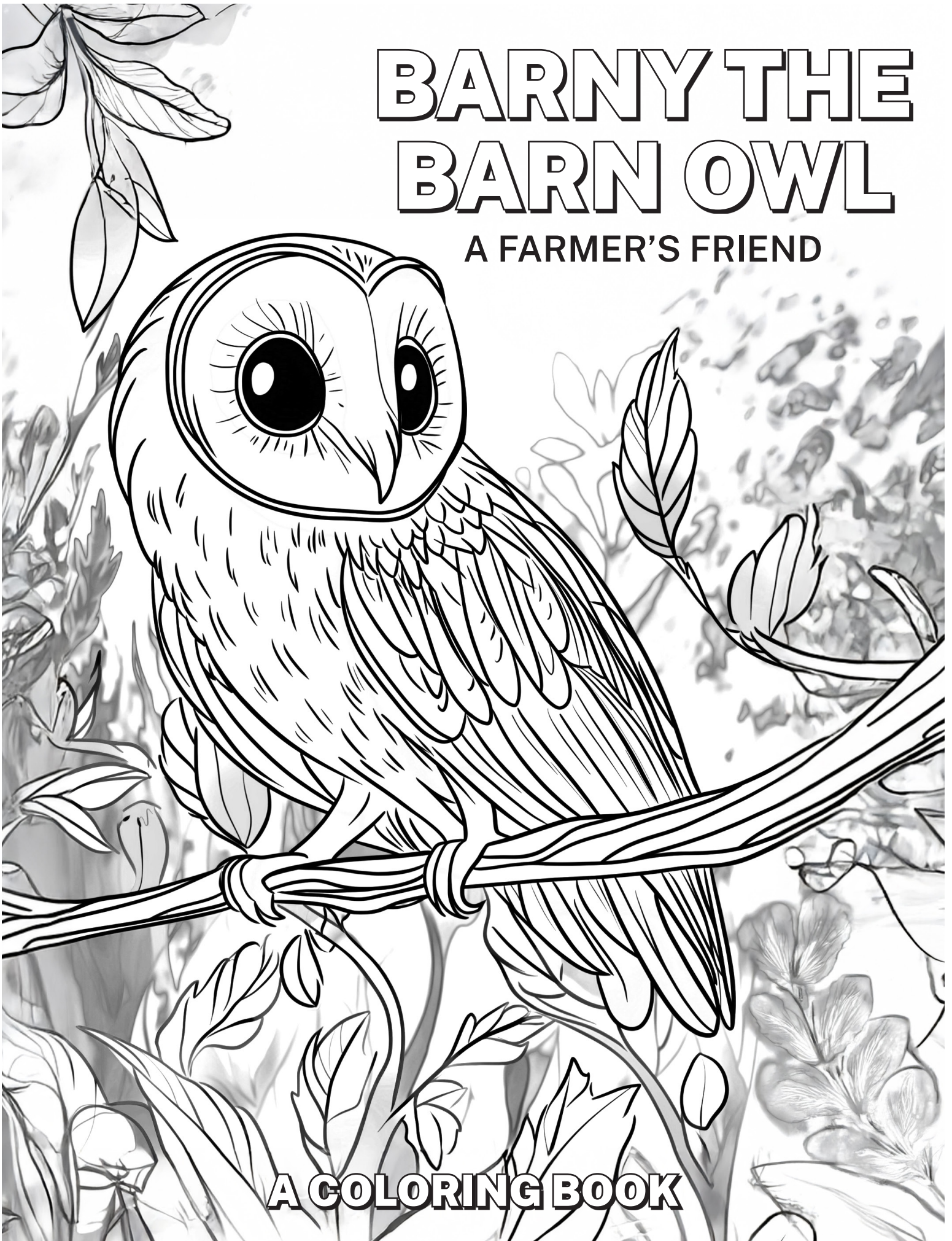
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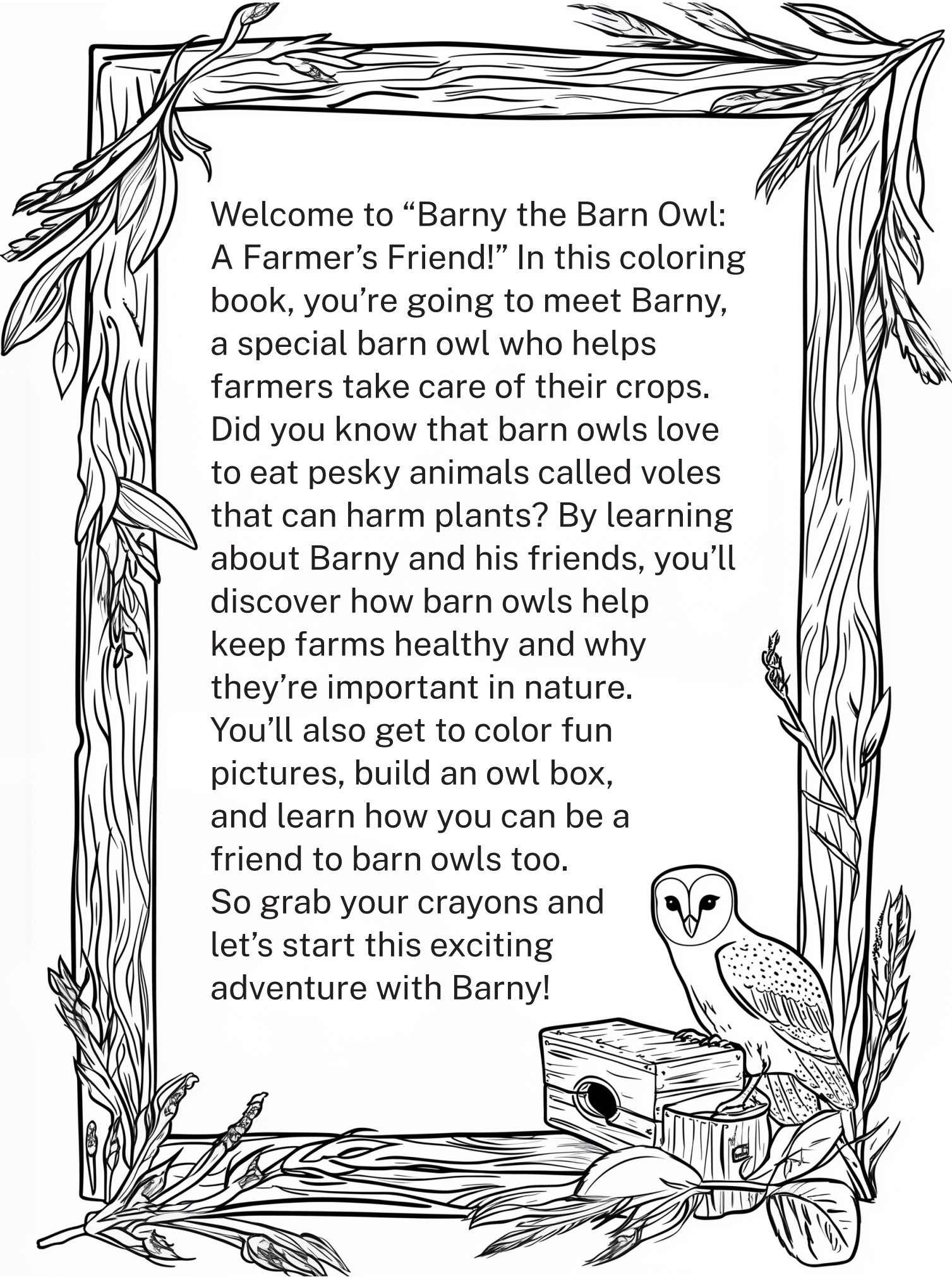
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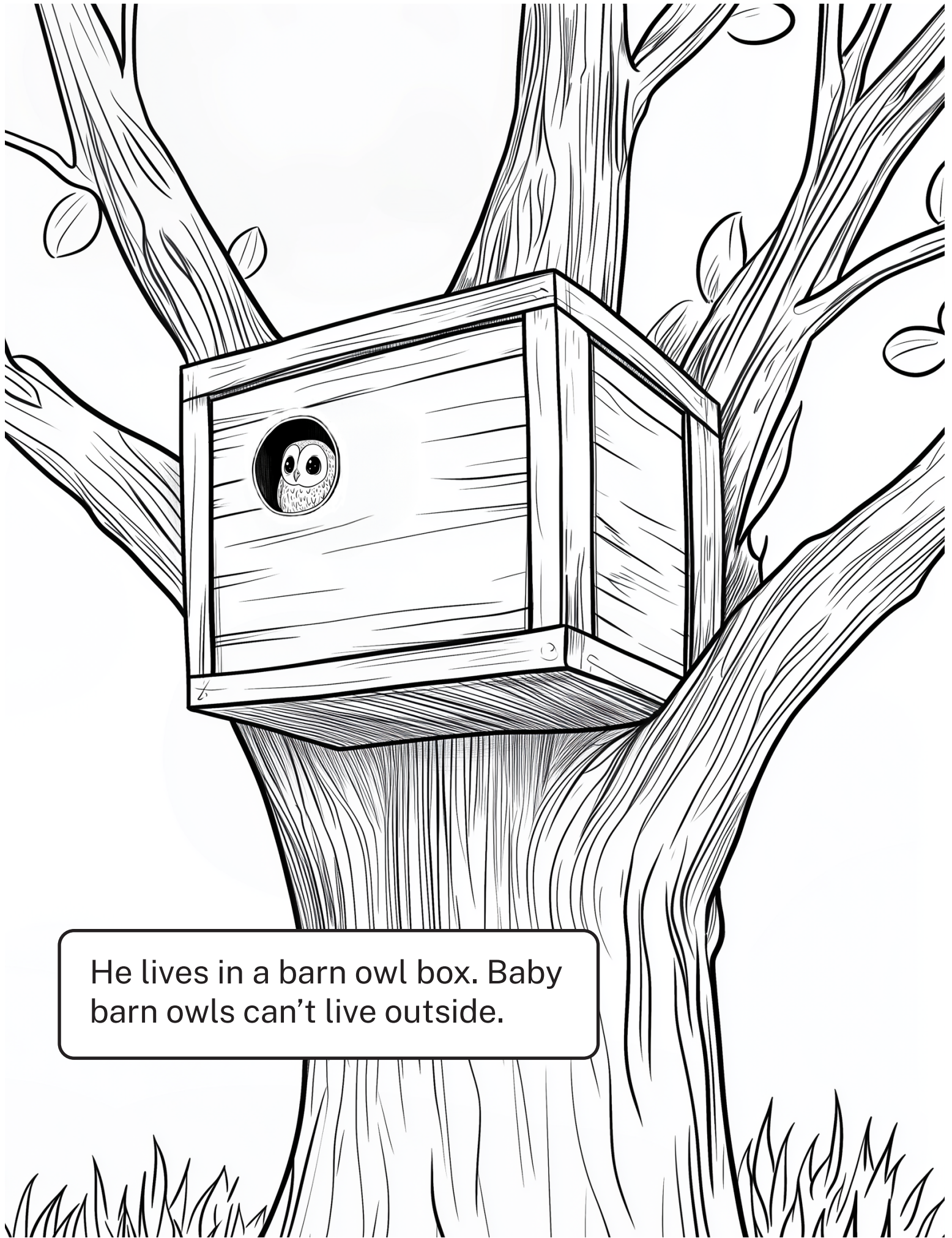


Welcome to “Barney the Barn Owl:
A Farmer’s Friend!” In this coloring
book, you’re going to meet Barney,
a special barn owl who helps
farmers take care of their crops.
Did you know that barn owls love
to eat pesky animals called voles
that can harm plants? By learning
about Barney and his friends, you’ll
discover how barn owls help
keep farms healthy and why
they’re important in nature.
You’ll also get to color fun
pictures, build an owl box,
and learn how you can be a
friend to barn owls too.
So grab your crayons and
let’s start this exciting
adventure with Barney!



This is Barny. He is a barn owl.
Right now, he is just a baby.





He lives in a barn owl box. Baby barn owls can't live outside.



Barney's parents bring him food every day.
The food they eat the most is voles.

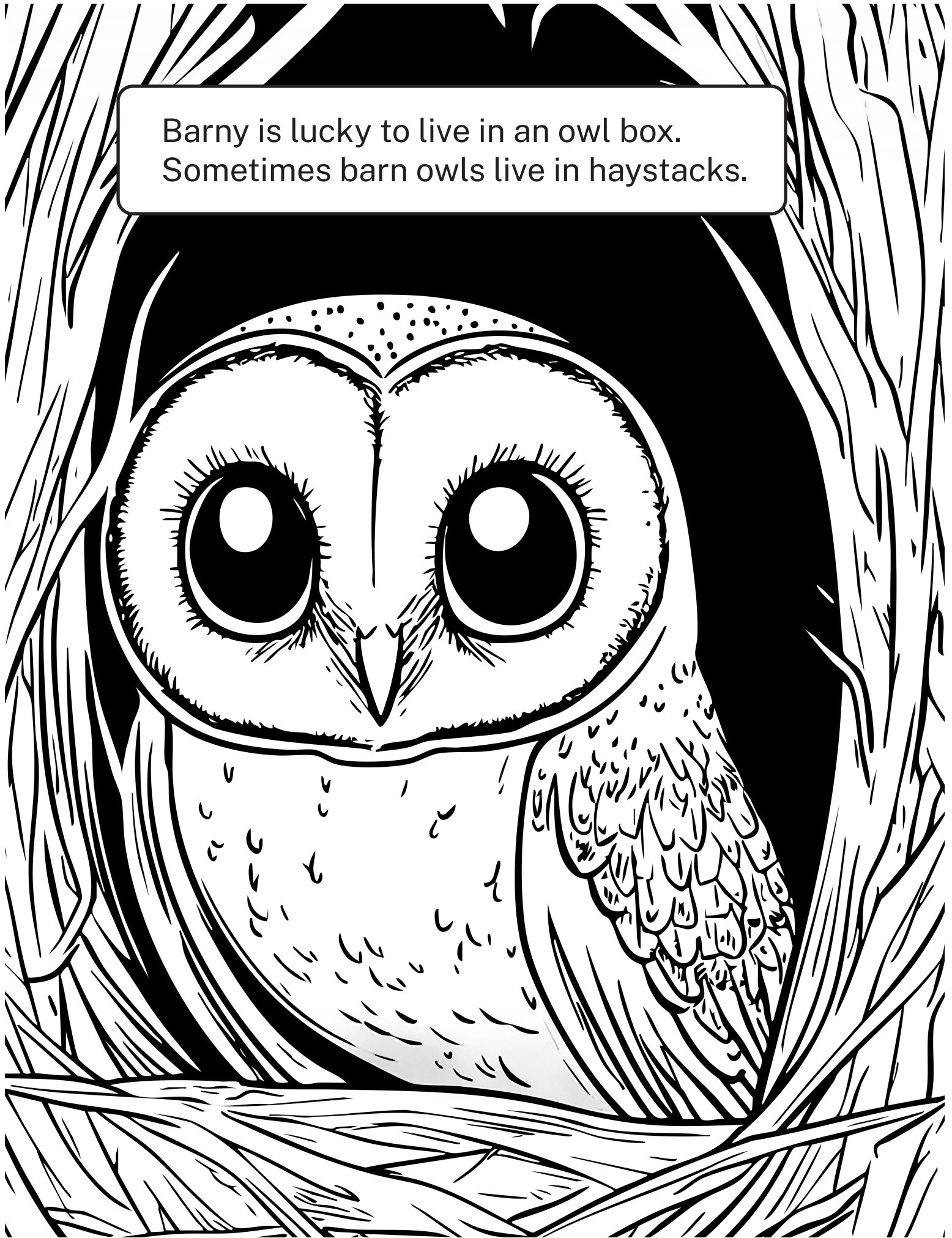
Voles are similar to mice, but they eat crops. They cause problems for farmers.



Voles can have many babies. They can have 5–10 sets of babies per year.



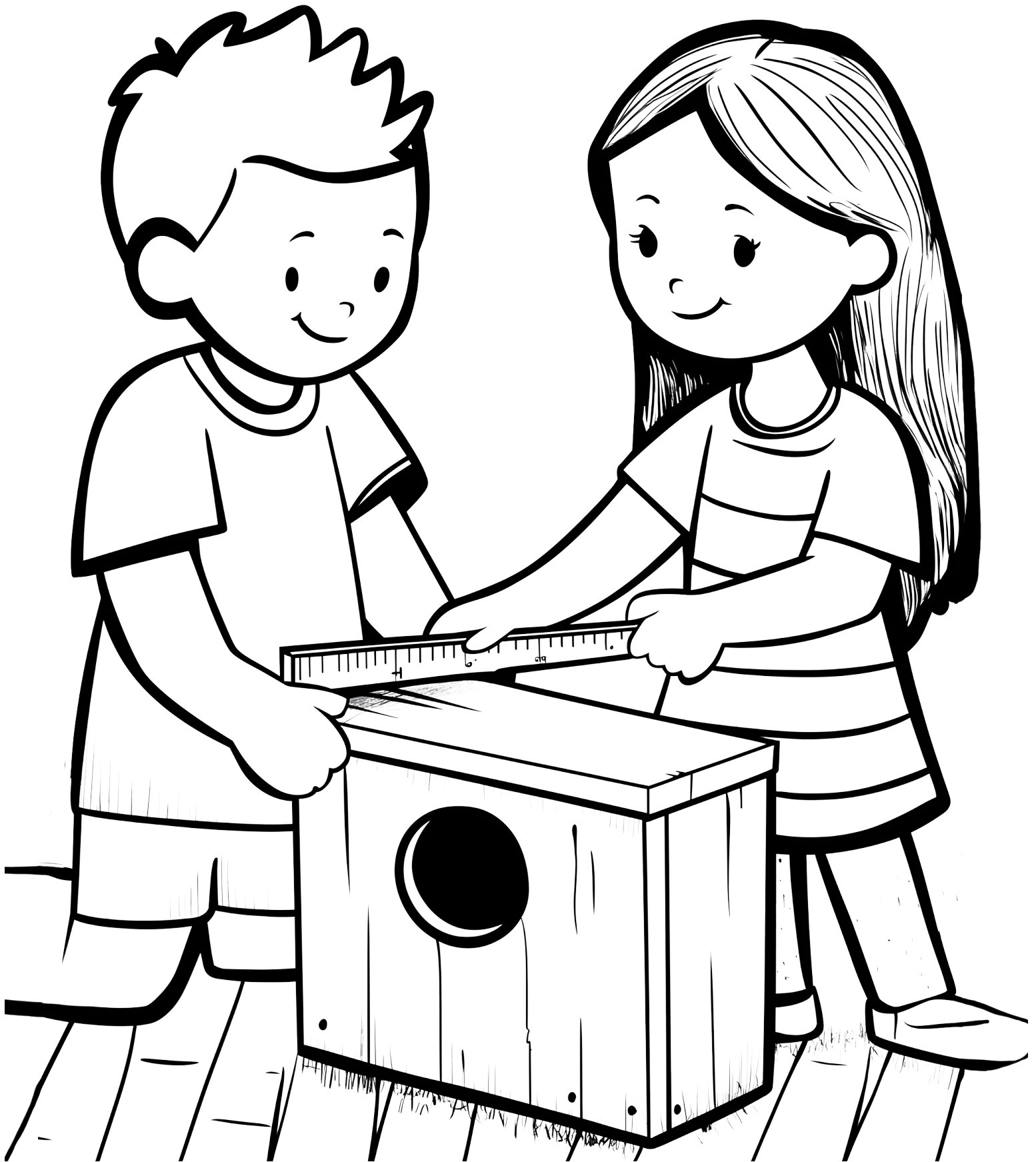
Barney is lucky to live in an owl box.
Sometimes barn owls live in haystacks.



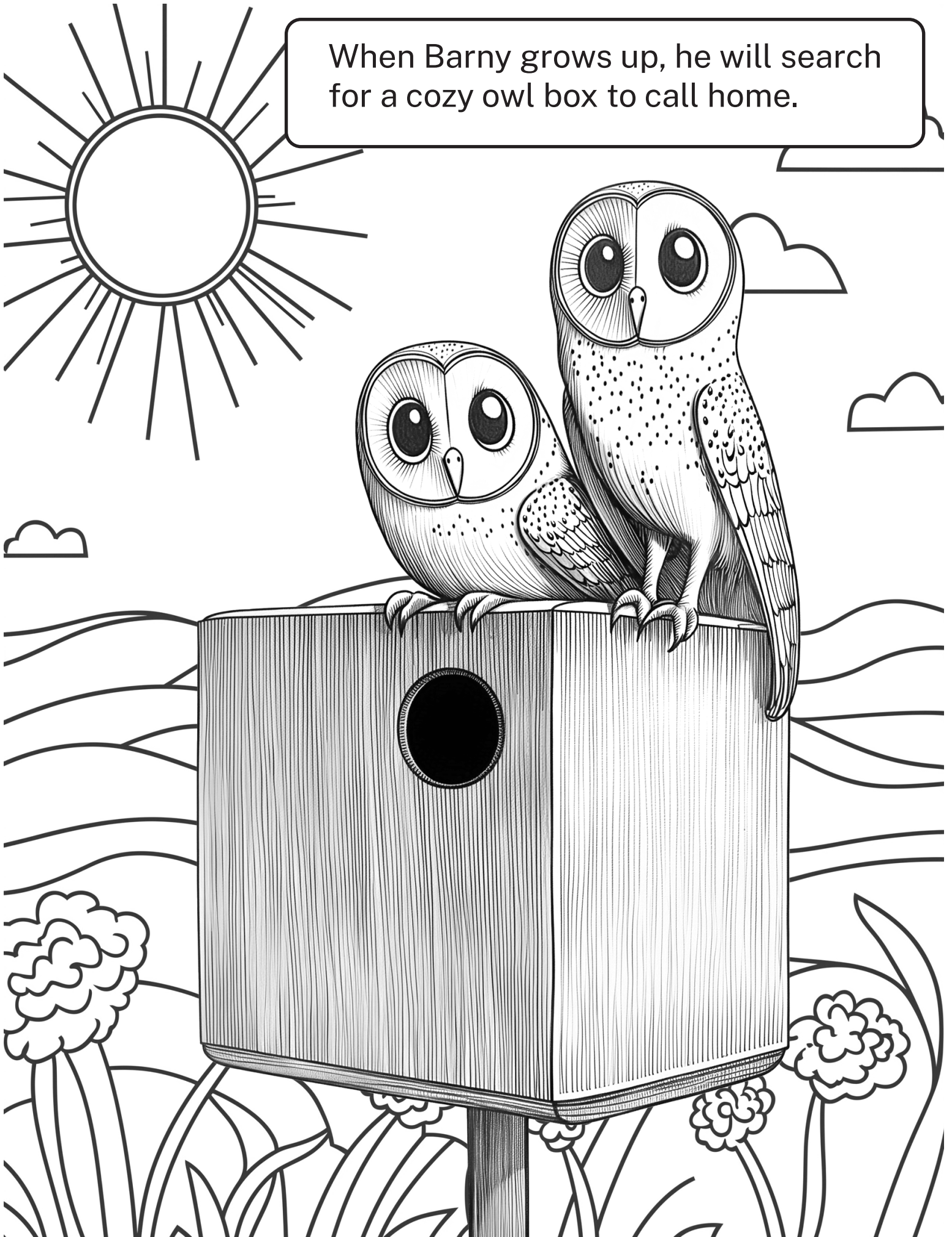
Haystacks are not a great place for barn owls to live because farmers move their hay to sell it or to feed to other animals.



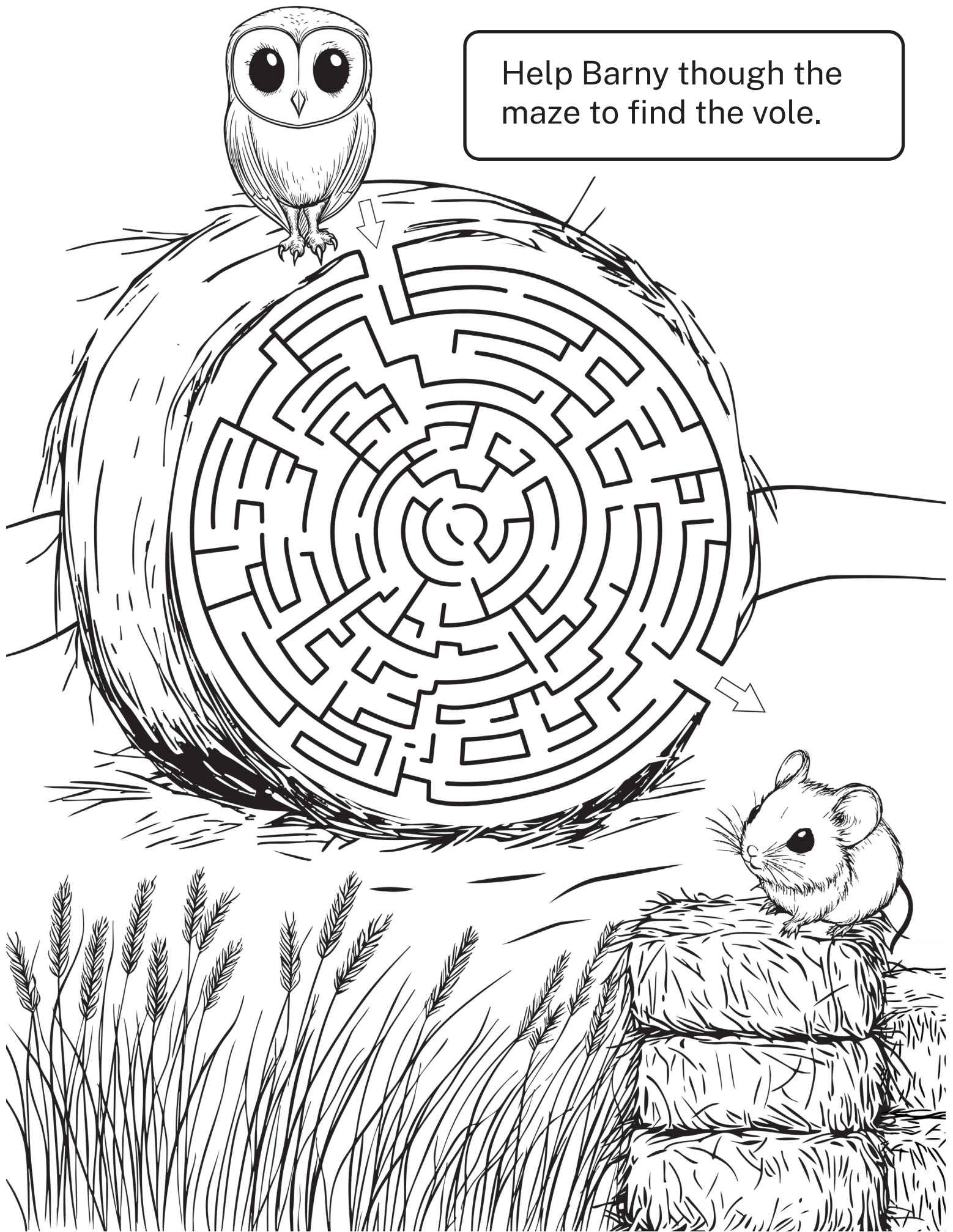
Building a box for owls is a fun project you can do with an adult. Building boxes helps owls and people.



When Barney grows up, he will search for a cozy owl box to call home.



Help Barny though the
maze to find the vole.



To learn more about barn owls and how to help them, ask an adult to scan this QR code with their phone to read about building barn owl boxes.



LEARN MORE



Trusted adult, this QR code will take you to our publication *Utilizing Barn Owl Boxes for Management of Vole Populations*.

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Further Reading

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