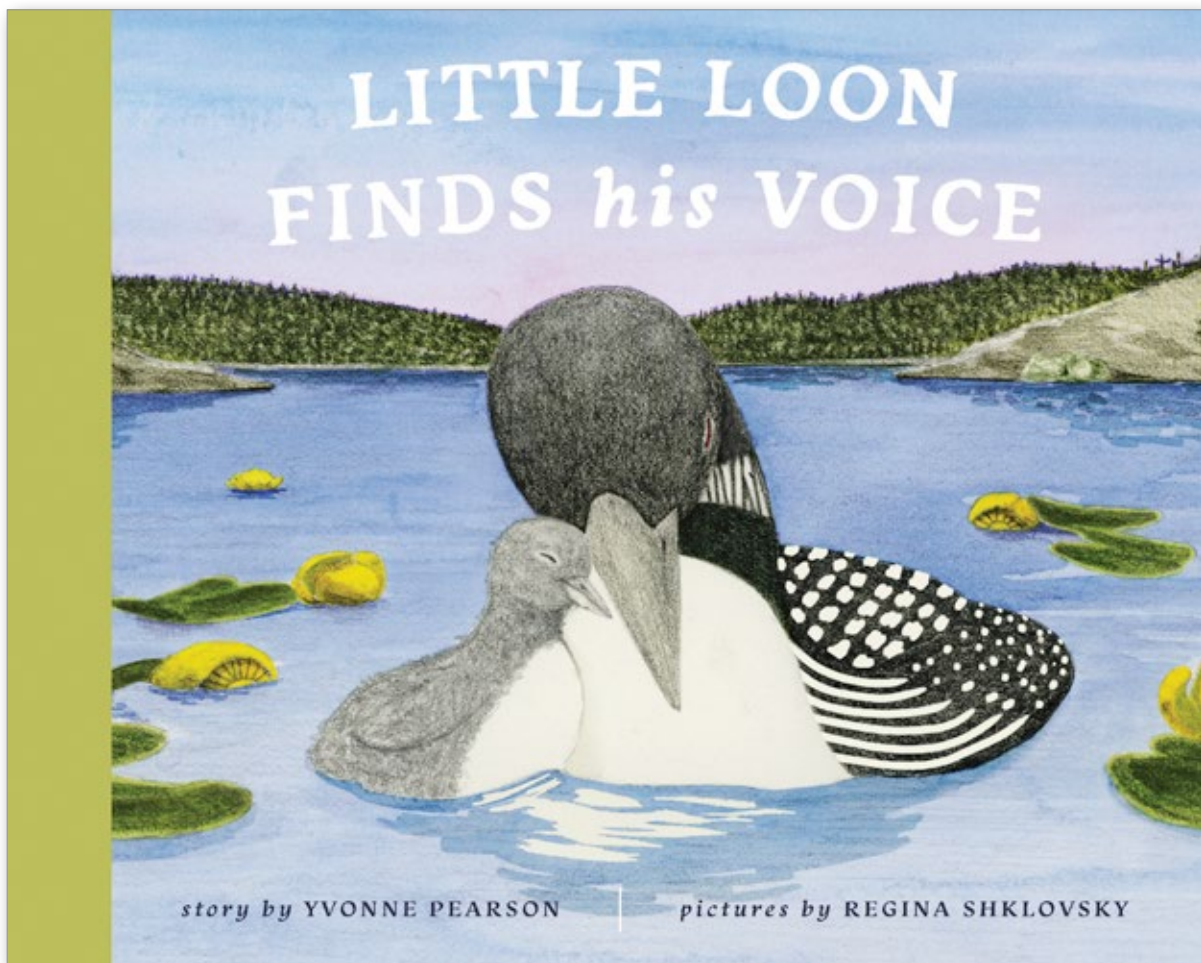




BOOK GUIDE FOR *Little Loon Finds His Voice*

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Pictures by Regina Scklovsky



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ABOUT THE BOOK

Ooo aaa woo woo! A water bird found throughout much of North America, loons are famous for their echoing calls. *Little Loon Finds His Voice* is the endearing, coming-of-age tale of one little loon finding his voice, and with it, his place in the world. Breathtaking illustrations transport readers to misty lakes and towering pines, and informative loon facts at the end detail the life and habits of these enchanting birds.



About the Author

Yvonne Pearson's debut picture book, *Sadie Braves the Wilderness*, was published in May 2017. In 2018, she won the Loft-McKnight Fellowship in writing for children. Yvonne has been selected for the Loft Center for Literature's Shabo Award for a picture book and won two Artist Initiative Grants from the Minnesota State Arts Board for children's literature projects. Yvonne lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with her husband. She loves hiking, reading, quilting, cooking and spending quality time with her grandchildren.



About the Illustrator

Regina Shklovsky is an illustrator and graphic designer based in Sonoma County, California. She illustrated the 2018 picture book, *Fun in the Mud*, which was a 2019 Moonbeam award winner and a 2018 Nautilus award winner. She is passionate about bringing stories to life with pictures and thoughtful design. Her work is rooted in traditional drawing and painting, mixed with vector graphics. She collaborates with local entrepreneurs and authors, as well as independent publishers.

ACTIVITY 1: I SPY... LITTLE LOON!

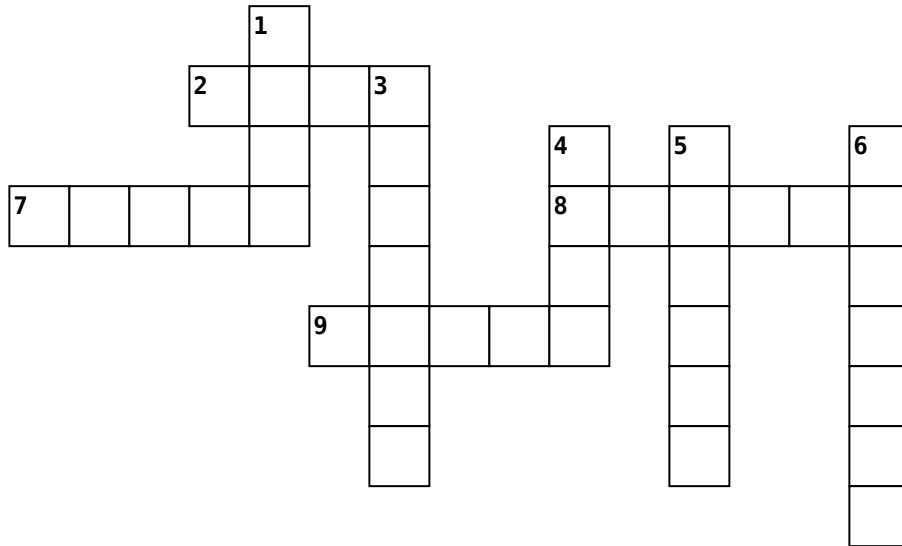
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ACTIVITY 2: CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use the context clues listed below to complete the crossword puzzle.



Across

2. This loon call sounds like one short sound.
7. Loons cannot fly until they are about twelve ___ old.
8. Loons are commonly found in this state.
9. This loon call is only made by males and is used for defending territory.

Down

1. Loons use ___ for their nests.
3. This loon call is used to signal alarm.
4. This loon call is used for social interaction.
5. ___ are a common threat to loon chicks.
6. In the winter, loons migrate to the _____ and Atlantic coasts.

Answers can be found at the end!

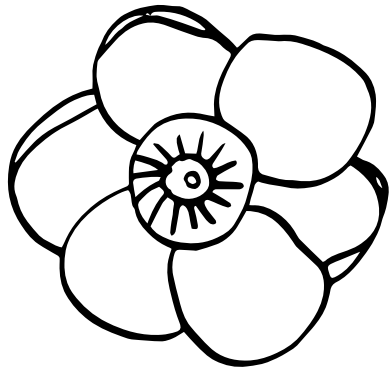
ACTIVITY 3: MATCHIN' MAP

Match each fun fact to the appropriate area of the map.



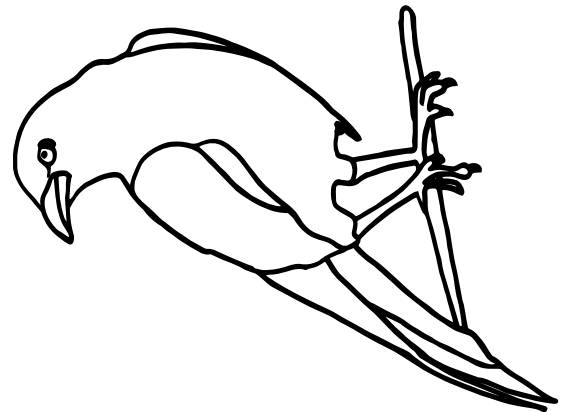
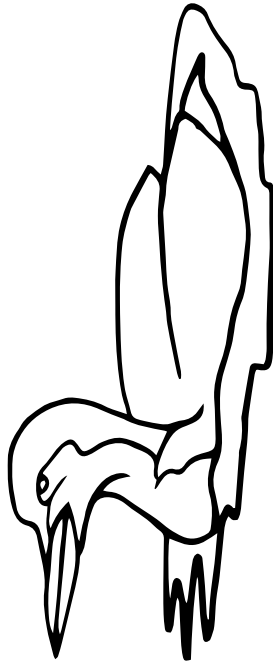
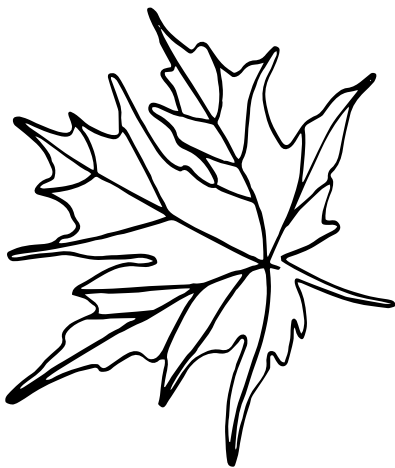
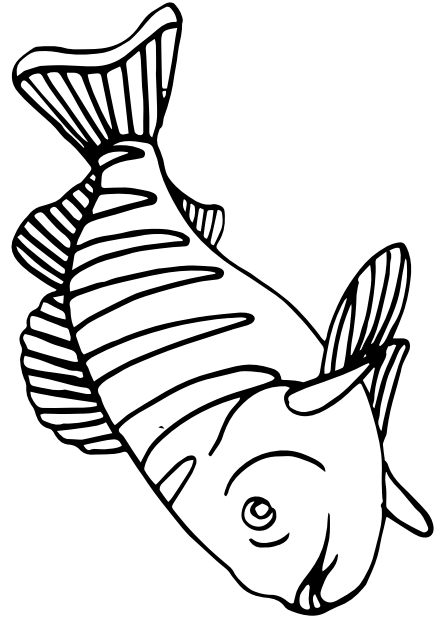
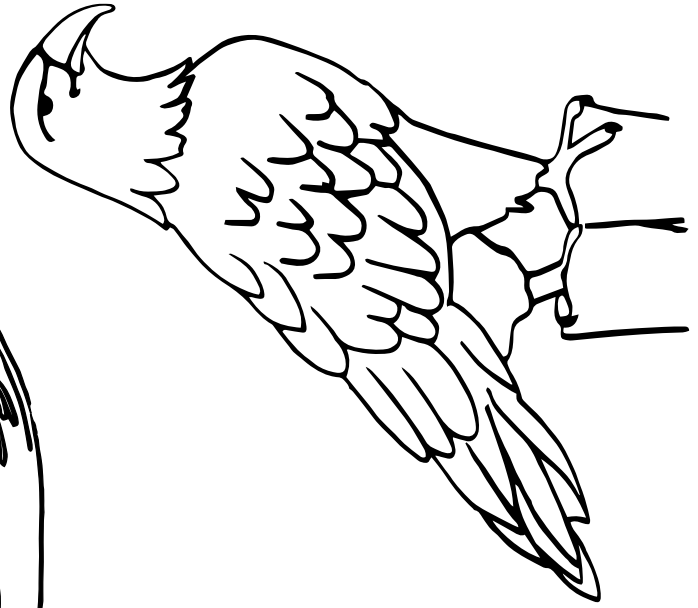
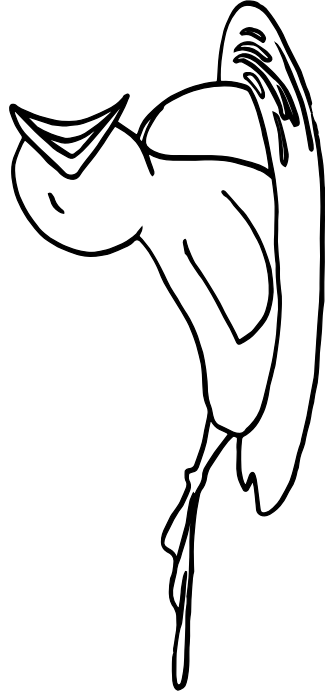
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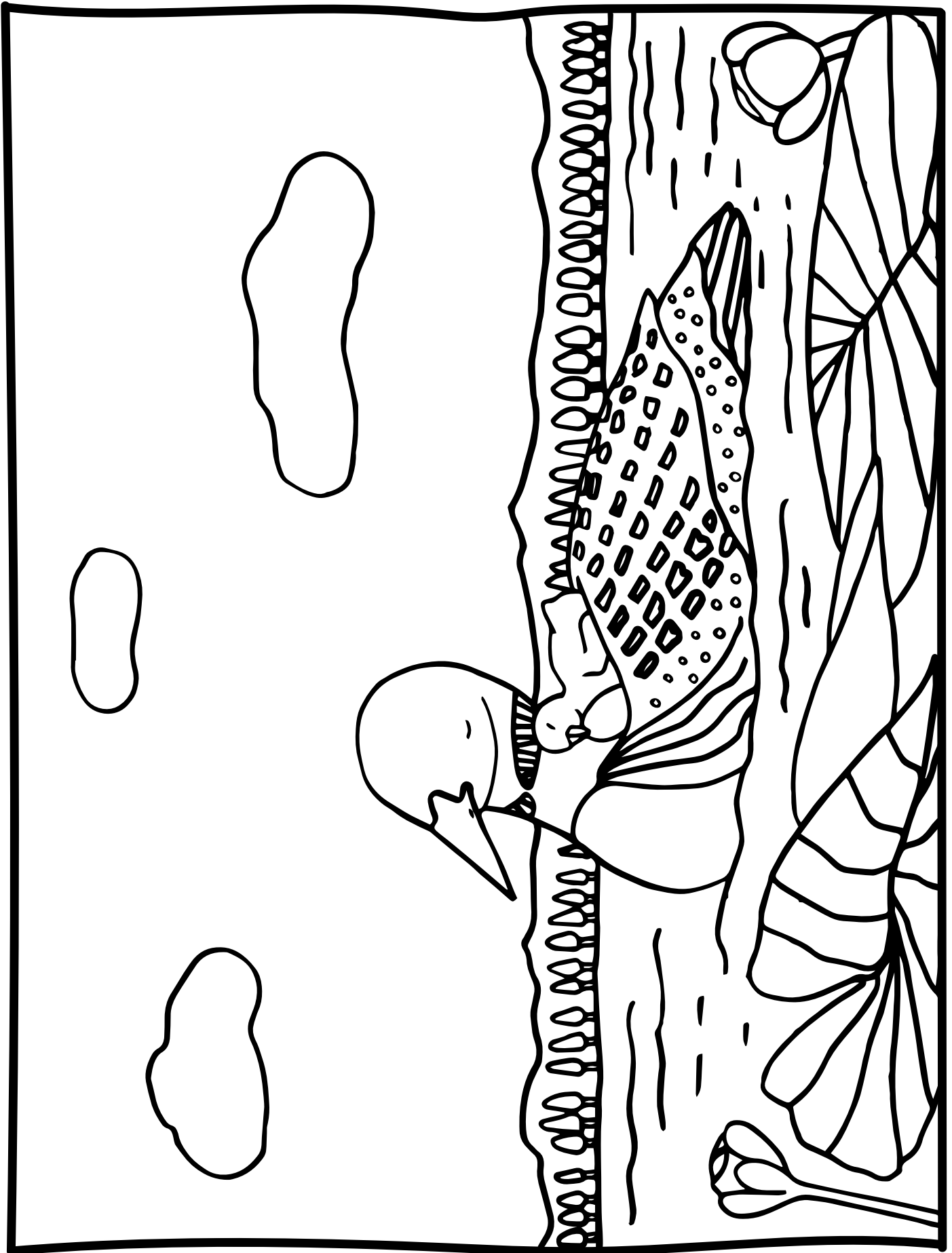
- 1.) In the summer, loons find habitat on lakes in coniferous forest zones.
- 2.) In the winter, loons mainly find habitat on oceans, usually close to the shore.
- 3.) Loons usually migrate to the Pacific and Atlantic coasts.



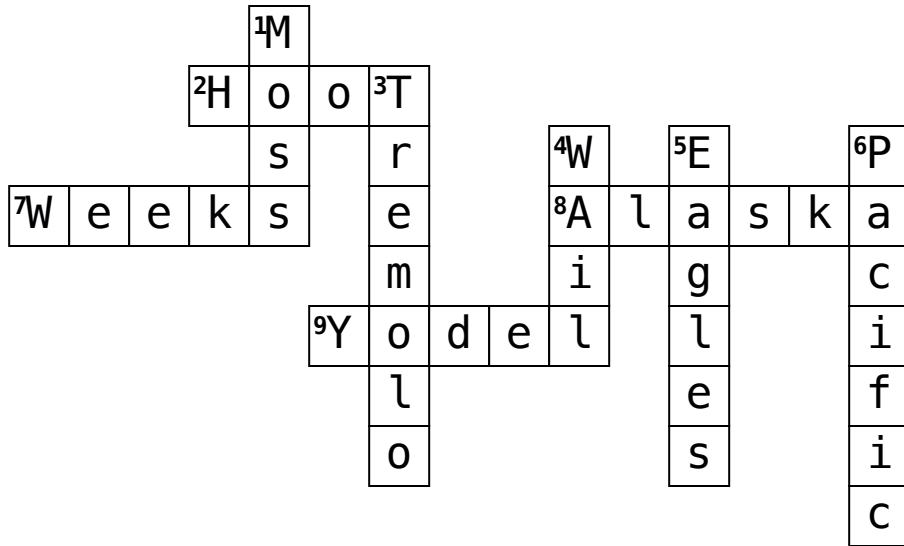
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