

Envy

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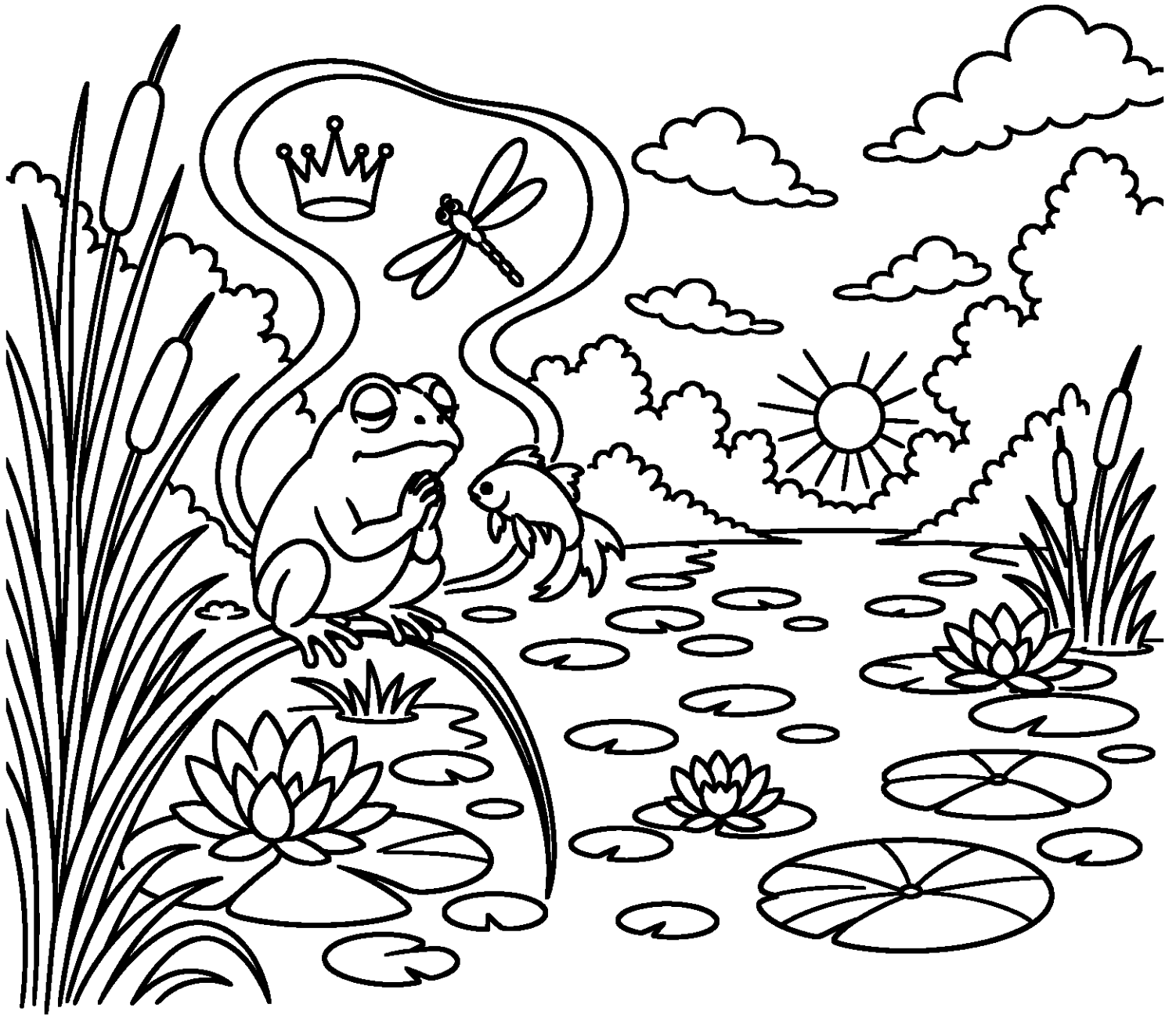


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A little frog with speckled skin
would envy others, deep within —
"That peacock's blue! That robin's red!
Why am I dull and green instead?"

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He watched the fish with silver scales,
he watched the birds with fancy tails.
He spent his hours wishing hard
to wear the colours of the yard.

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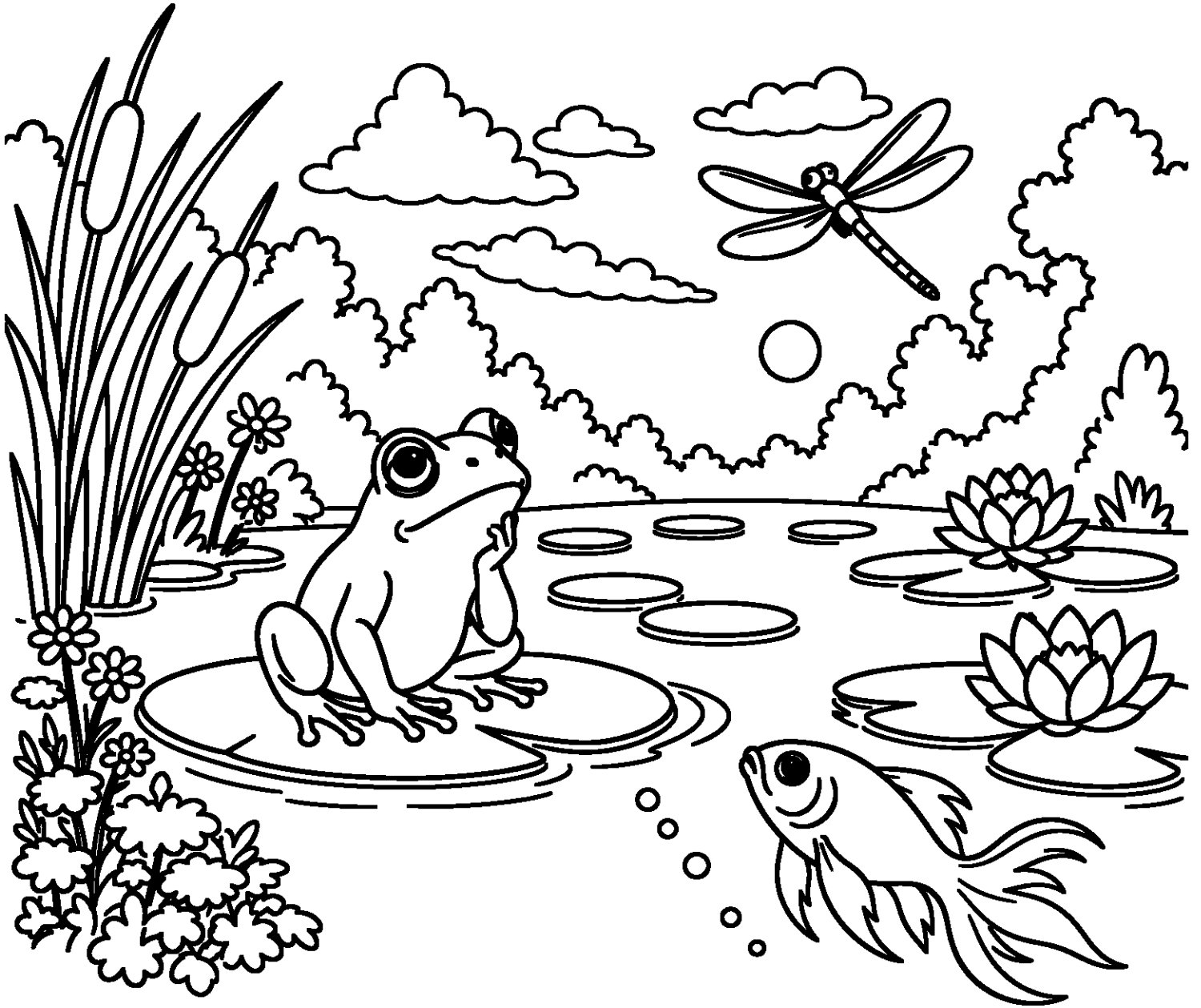
But wanting more he could not stop,
he missed his pond, his reed, his hop.
Then one bright dawn he gazed beyond,
and saw his shine upon the pond.

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He smiled to see, both calm and wise,
his own green coat was quite a prize.
For all he'd wished for wings and gold —
his shining green was best, all told.

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Moral

Want what you have and you'll be glad;
envy of others makes you sad.