

Quarrelsomeness

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Two badger brothers shared a den,
but quarreled, oh, again, again.
"This side is mine!" cried badger Ned,
"That side is yours!" his brother said.

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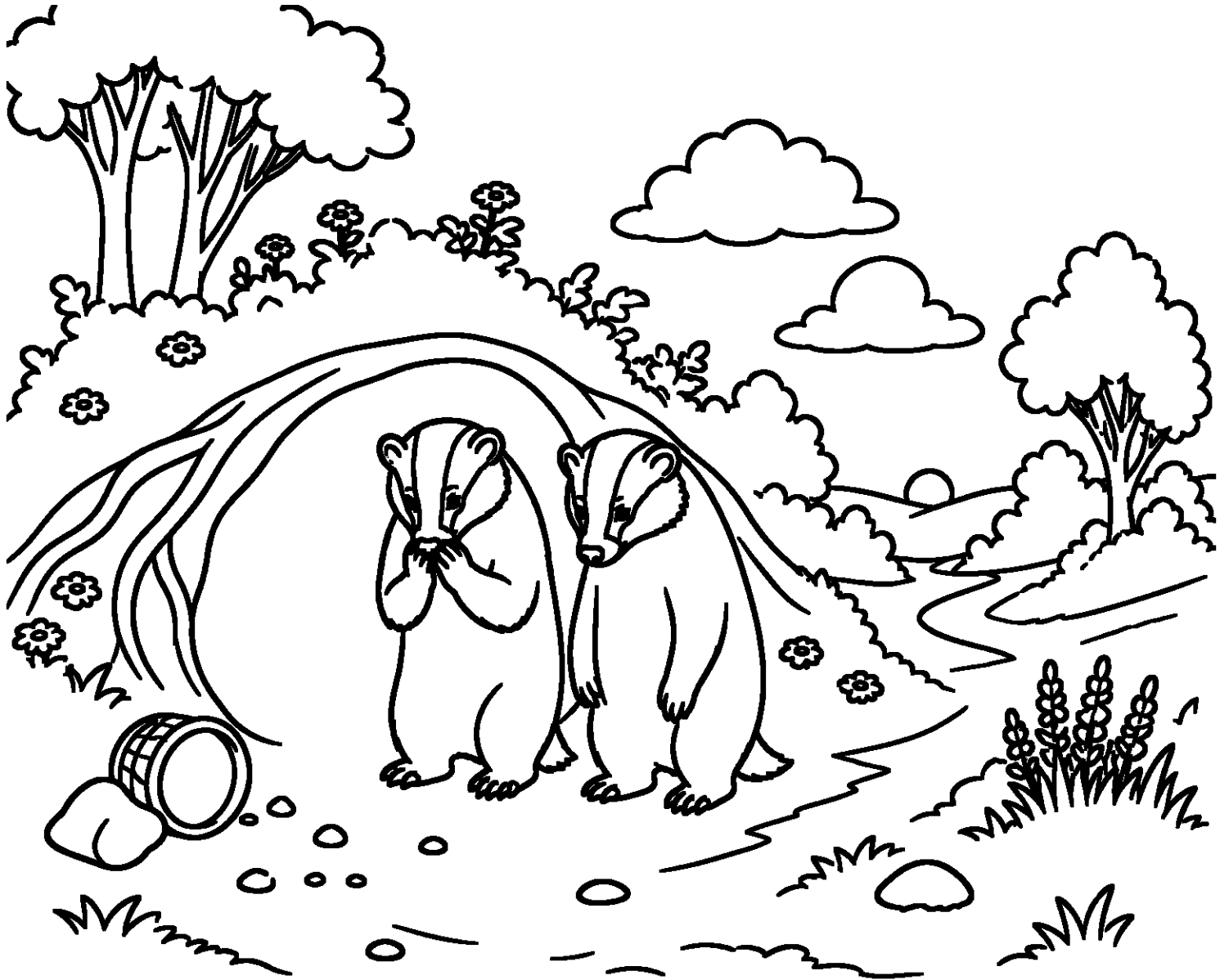
They fought for food, they fought for space,
with shoving paws and grumpy face.
The neighbours sighed and turned away:
"Those two will quarrel every day."

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A fox crept close one quarrel-night,
while they were busy in their fight.
And while they argued, loud and red,
he stole their winter store of bread.

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The brothers stared in dumb dismay,
as all their fighting, day by day,
had left the larder cold and bare,
with not a crumb of bread to spare.

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Moral

Two who fight and will not share,
may lose it all and be left bare.