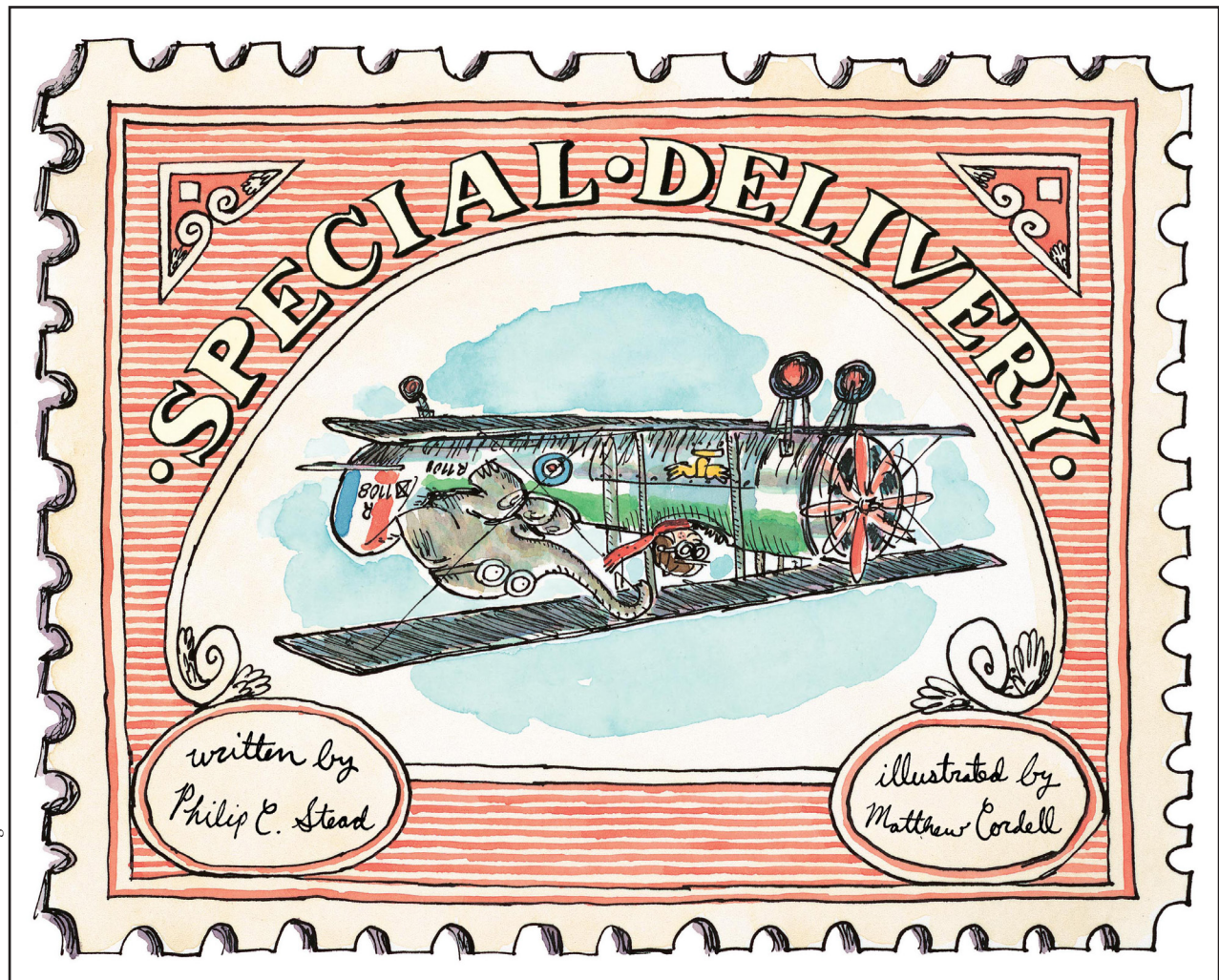


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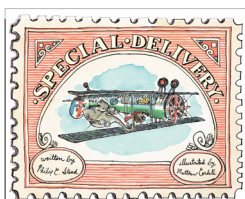
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SEEK AND FIND

Stamps come in all shapes and sizes!
Find the following items in the stamps below and color them in.

FORK ★ PEANUT ★ PICKLE ★ MOUSE ★ WHALE
LIGHTBULB ★ SHAMROCK ★ SWORD ★ CHEESE ★ BUMBLEBEE



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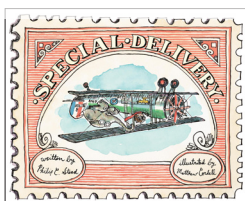
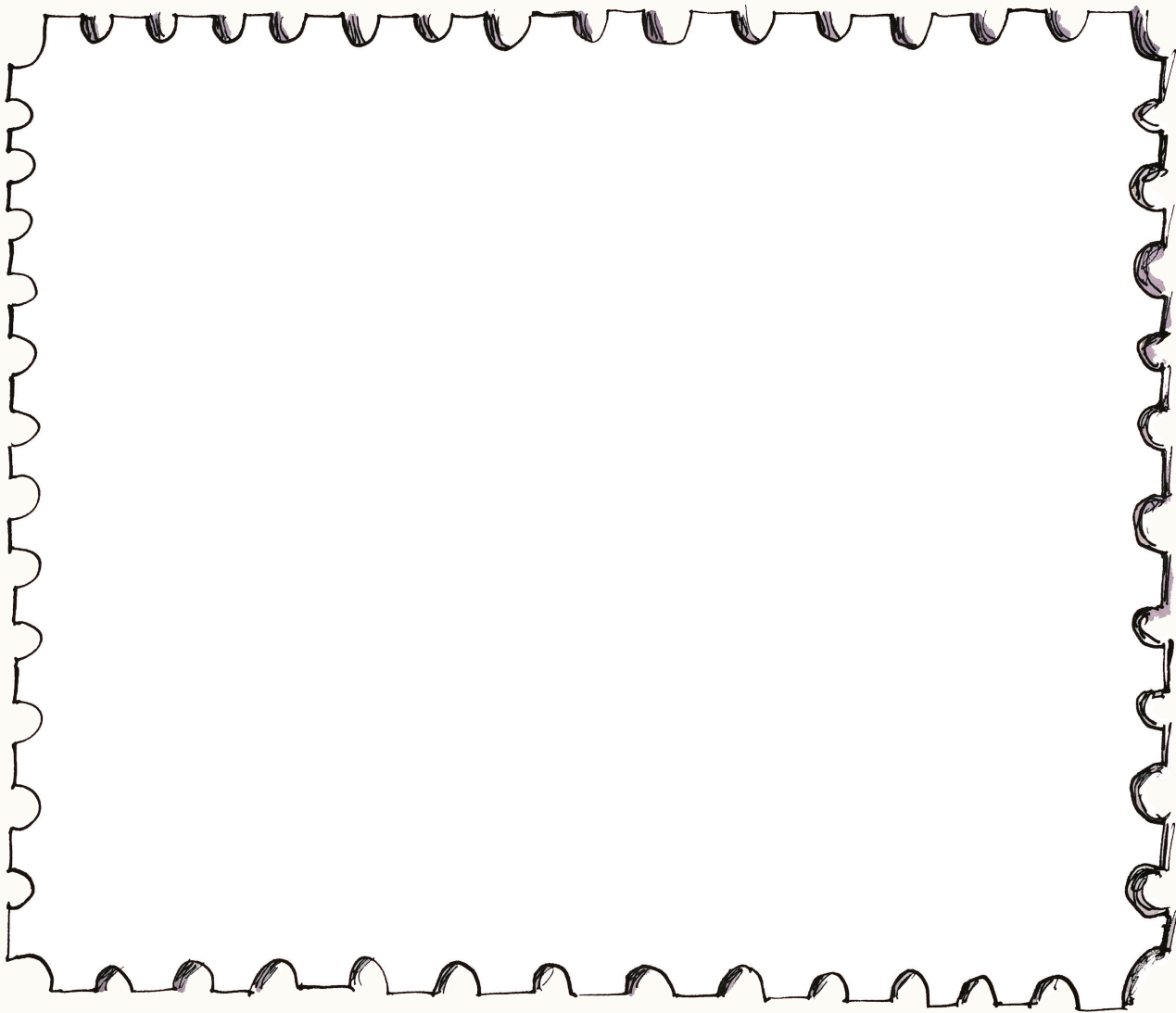


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CREATE YOUR OWN POSTAGE STAMP

Put your own spin on a postage stamp!
If you could send a letter with your own signature mark,
what would it look like? Draw your own special stamp below.



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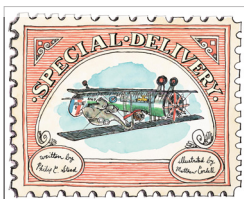
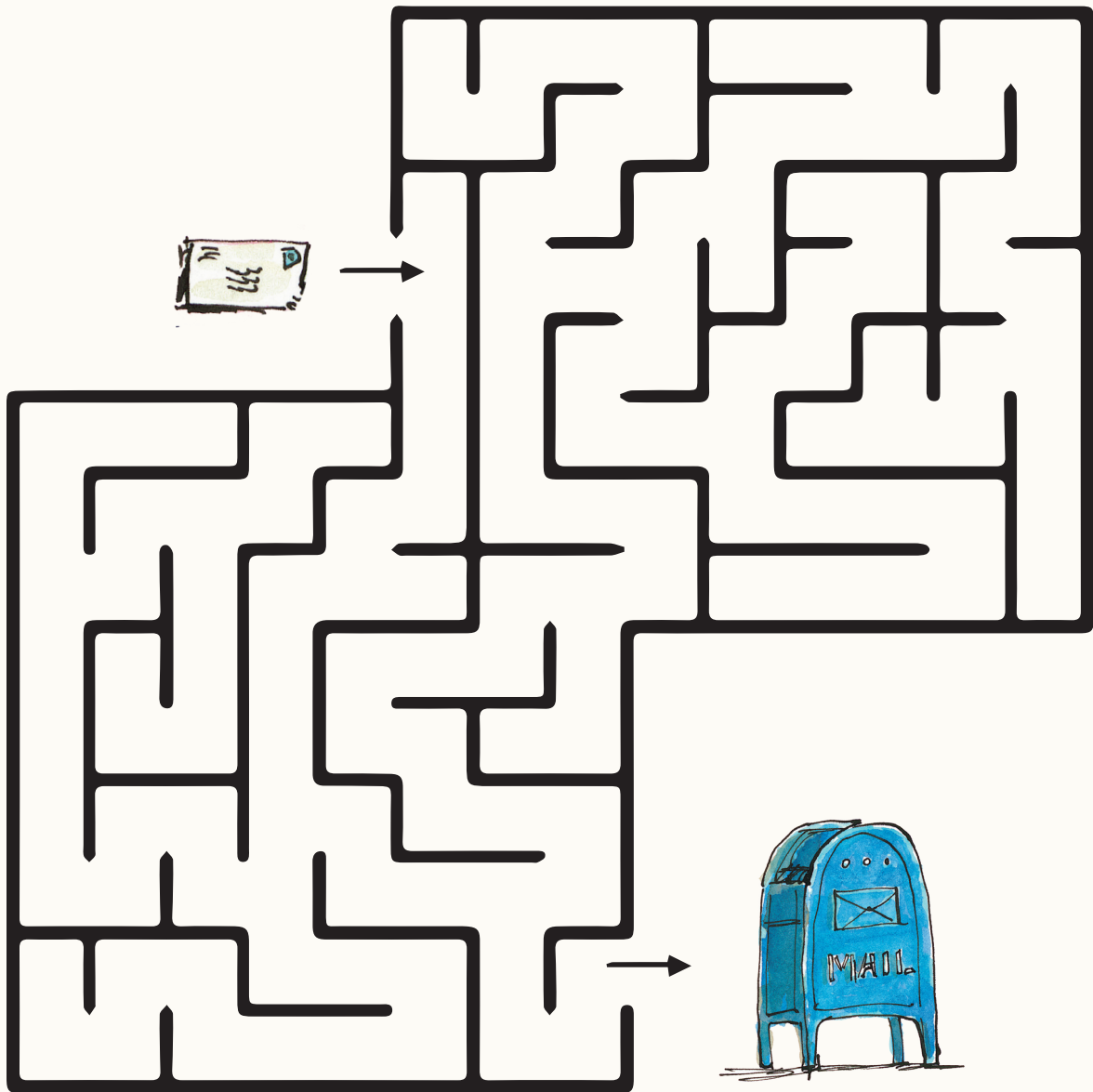
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MAILBOX MAZE

After your letter is written, stamped, and sealed, it's time to deliver it!
Find your way through the maze to take the letter to the mailbox.



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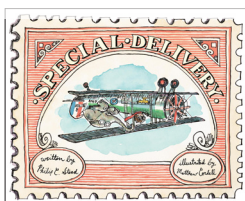


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U.S. POSTAL SERVICE FUN FACTS

- ★ The United States Postal Service processed and delivered 523 million mail pieces in 2014. WOW!
- ★ There are nearly 42,000 ZIP Codes in the country. Do you know your ZIP code?
 - ★ The Postal Service moves mail using planes, trains, trucks, cars, boats, ferries, helicopters, subways, float planes, hovercraft, mules, bicycles, and feet.
How does your mail carrier deliver your mail?
 - ★ The most unusual delivery method is a mule train delivery in Arizona. Each mule carries about 130 pounds of mail, food, supplies, and furniture down the 8-mile trail to the Havasupai Indians at the bottom of the Grand Canyon.
The mule trains average 4,000 pounds per day.
 - ★ The coldest ZIP code for mail delivery is the North Slope of Alaska: Barrow (99723) and Wainwright (99782). Brrrrrrr.
- ★ The hottest ZIP code for mail delivery is in Death Valley, California (92328). Whew!
- ★ The easiest ZIP Code to remember is 12345, a unique ZIP Code for General Electric in Schenectady, New York.
- ★ George Washington was on the first general-issue stamps released in 1847; he's been on more stamps than any other person.
- ★ The longest Main Street in America is located in Island Park, Idaho (83429)—it's 33 miles long. That's a LONG street to deliver mail to!
- ★ One of the most famous U.S. postage stamps is call THE INVERTED JENNY. The original Jenny stamp was created to show a Curtiss JN-4, or "Jenny" biplane used to deliver mail. On May 14, 1918, when the stamps were to make their debut, a man purchased a sheet of stamps showing the biplane upside down. This became one of the most philatelic (stamp collecting) treasures in U.S. history! Look at the cover of SPECIAL DELIVERY and see artist Matthew Cordell's version of THE INVERTED JENNY. Try drawing your own version!



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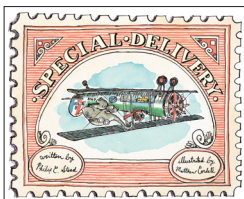
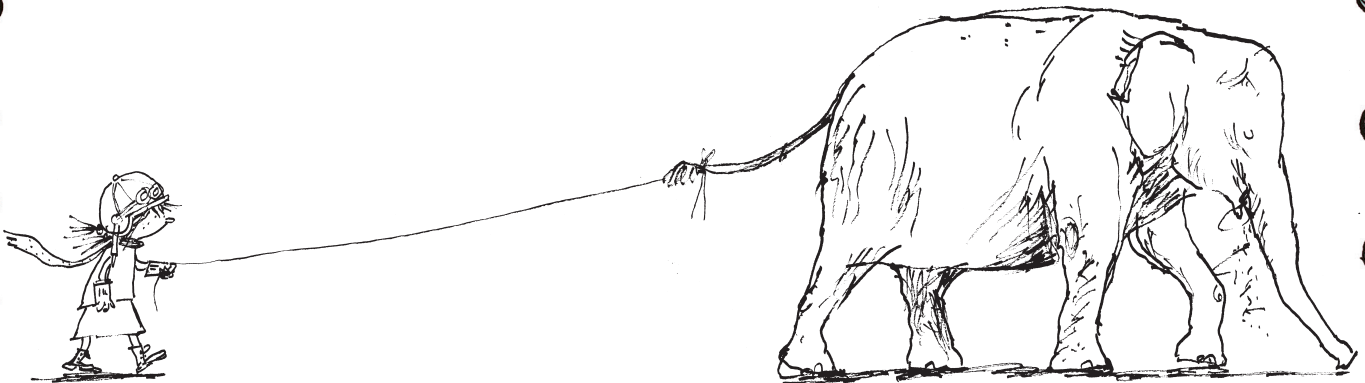
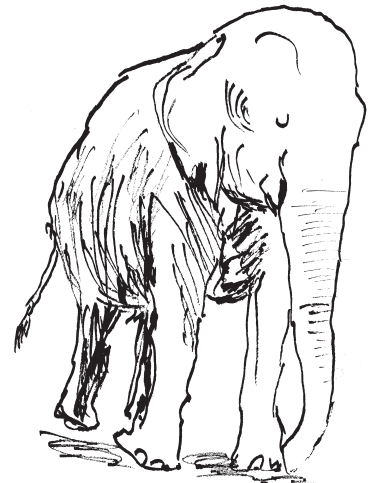
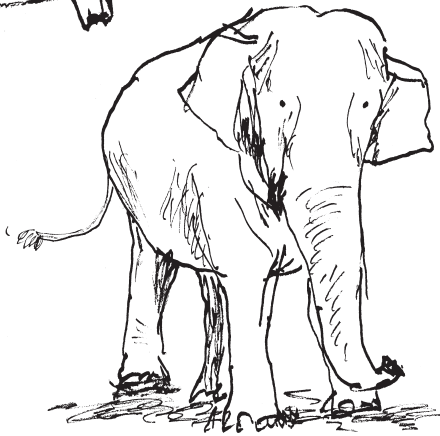
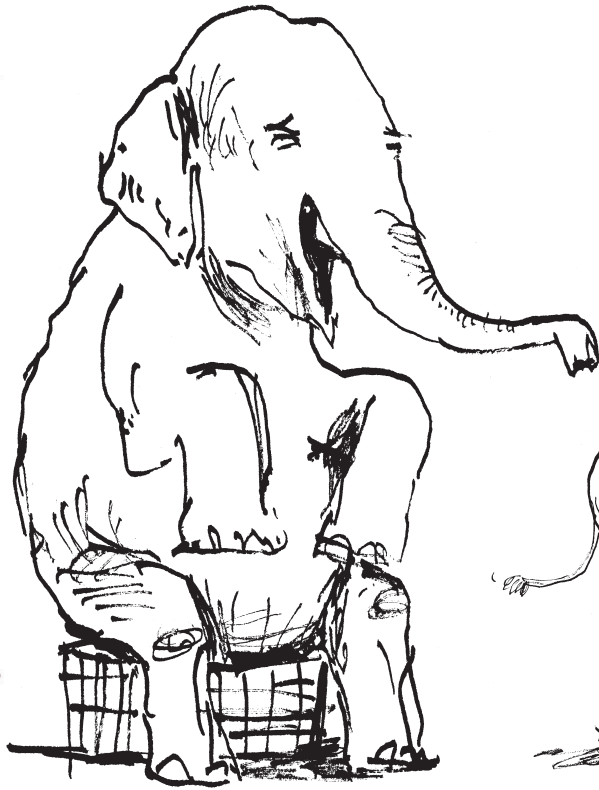
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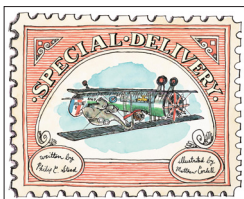
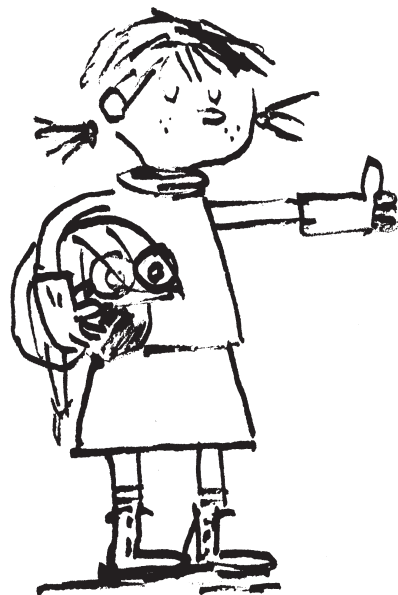
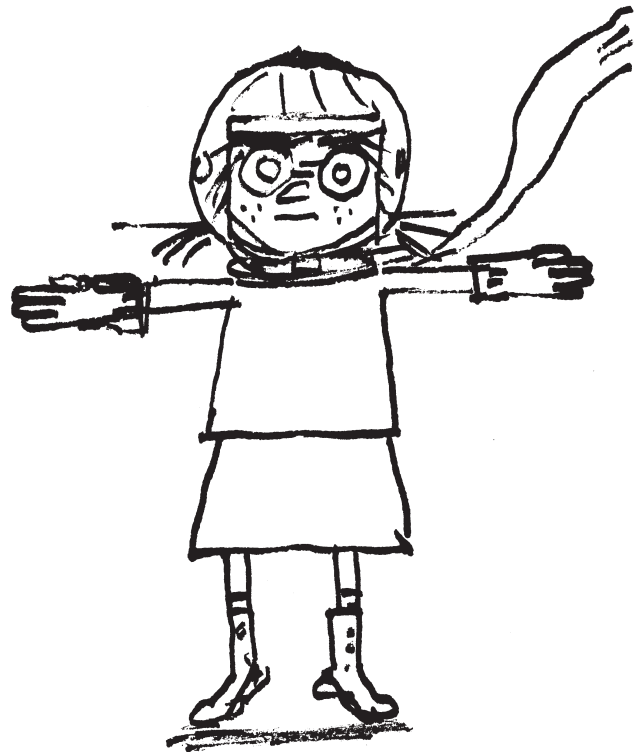
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