

Horse Anatomy Terminology

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Chin groove — Coronet — Crest
Croup — Dock — Fetlock

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Barrel	underside between the elbow and the flank surrounding the ribs
Cannon	between the knee (front legs) or hock (hind legs) and the fetlock; also called the cannon bone
Chestnut	small callous on the inside of the legs
Chin groove	located on the head behind the lower lip and chin
Coronet	ring of soft tissue on the lowest part of the pastern where it meets the hoof
Crest	part of the neck between the poll and withers where the mane grows
Croup	high area between the hip and the dock of the tail; rump
Dock	fleshy top of the tail that includes vertebrae, ligaments, and muscles; controlled by muscles
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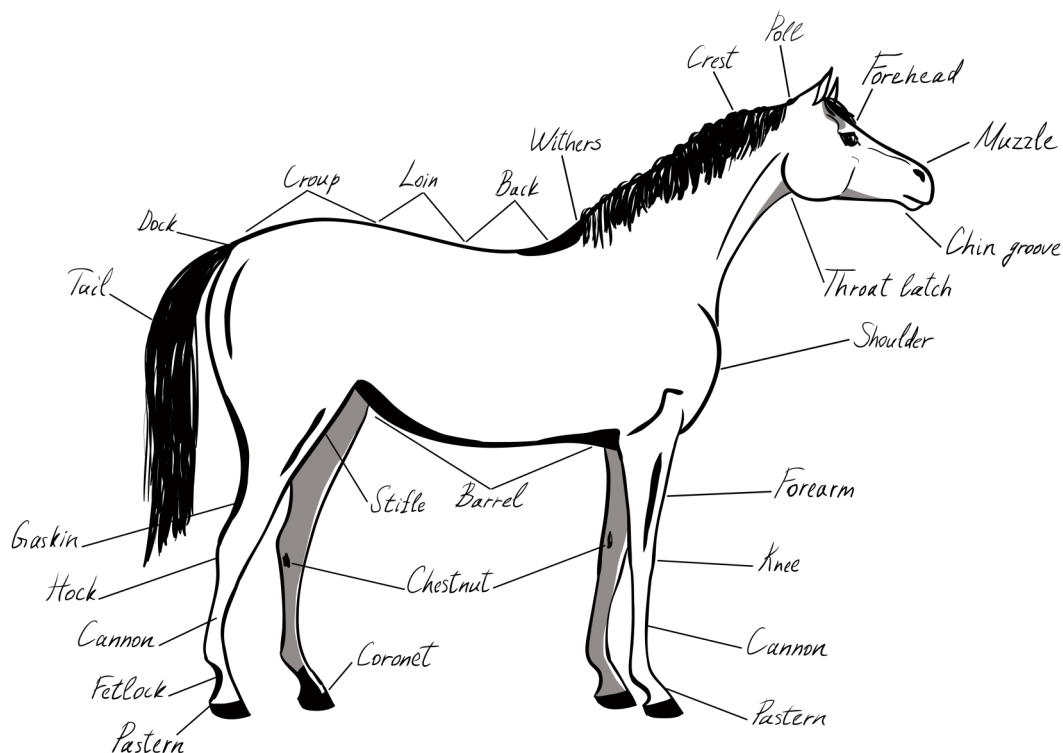
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Knee — Loin — Muzzle
Pastern — Poll — Shoulder

Forearm	part of the front legs between the elbow joint and knee made primarily of the radius bone
Forehead	curved or flat part of the face between and above the eyes
Gaskin	part of the back legs beneath the stifle and above the hock
Hock	largest and very active joint on the back legs; made of smaller bones; similar to a person's ankle
Knee	joint on the front legs that bends like a person's knee but is made of small bones like a person's wrist
Loin	part between the end of the back and the hip
Muzzle	part of head that includes the jaw, mouth, and front of the nose; sensitive and almost hairless
Pastern	part of the leg; two bones that reach from the fetlock into the hoof
Poll	where the top of the skull and neck meet at the back of the head behind the ears
Shoulder	large scapula bone that goes from the withers to the front of the chest

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Stifle — Tail Throat latch — Withers

Stifle	area of the back legs between the femur and tibia that acts like a person's knee
Tail	long hairs growing from the dock; used for balance, chasing away insects, and more
Throat latch	where the windpipe and chin meet; where the bridle goes
Withers	highest point of the back where the neck and body come together at the top of the shoulder

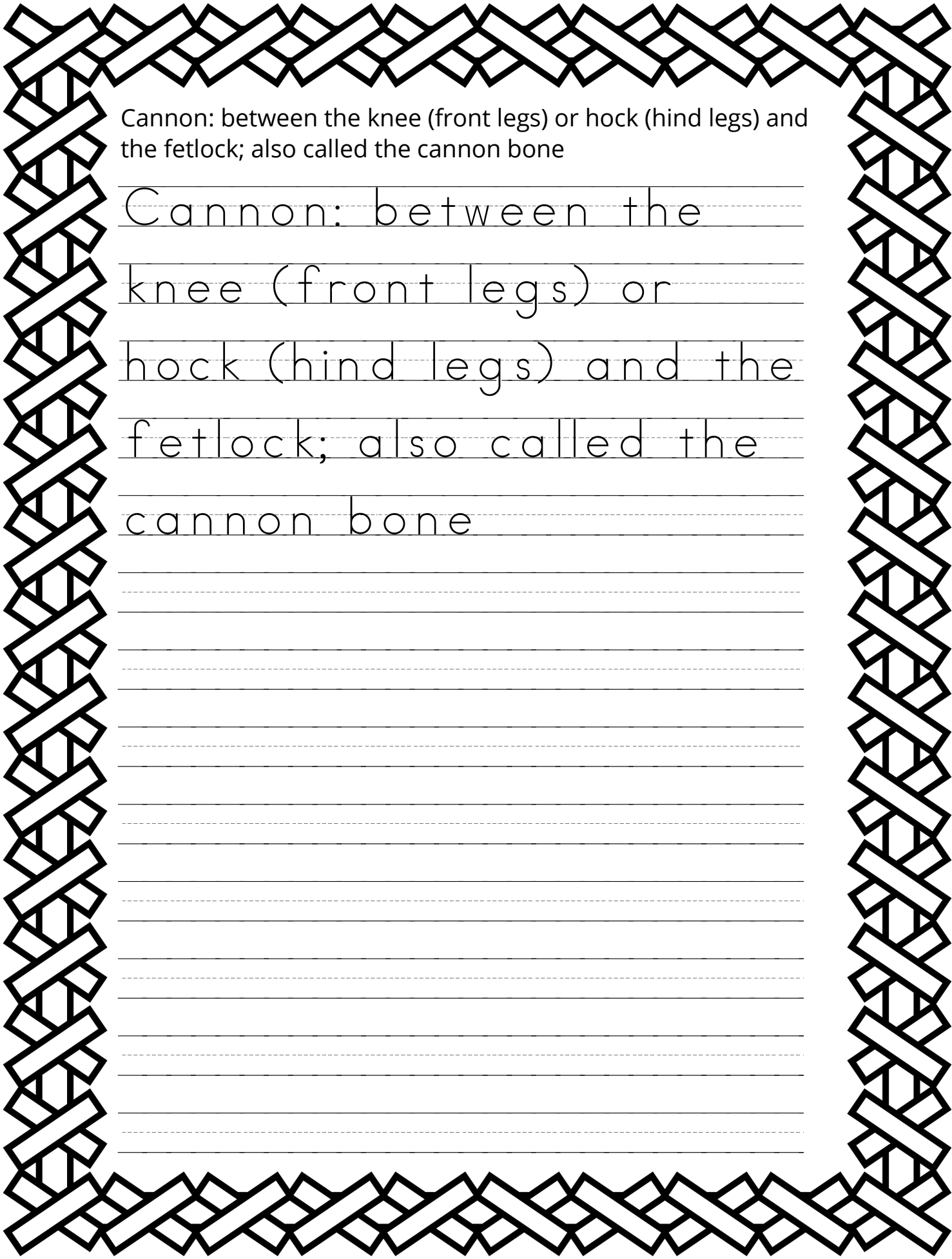


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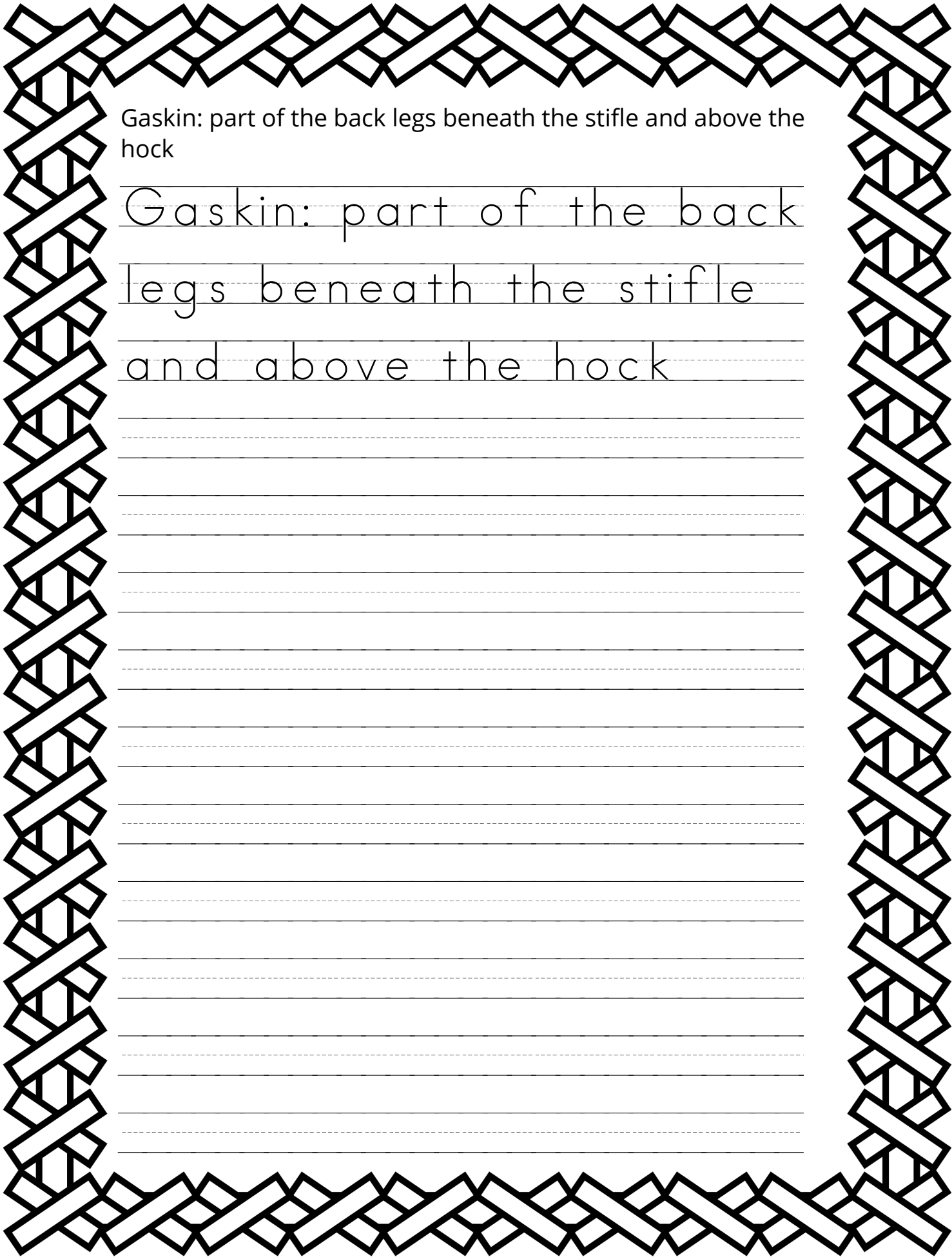
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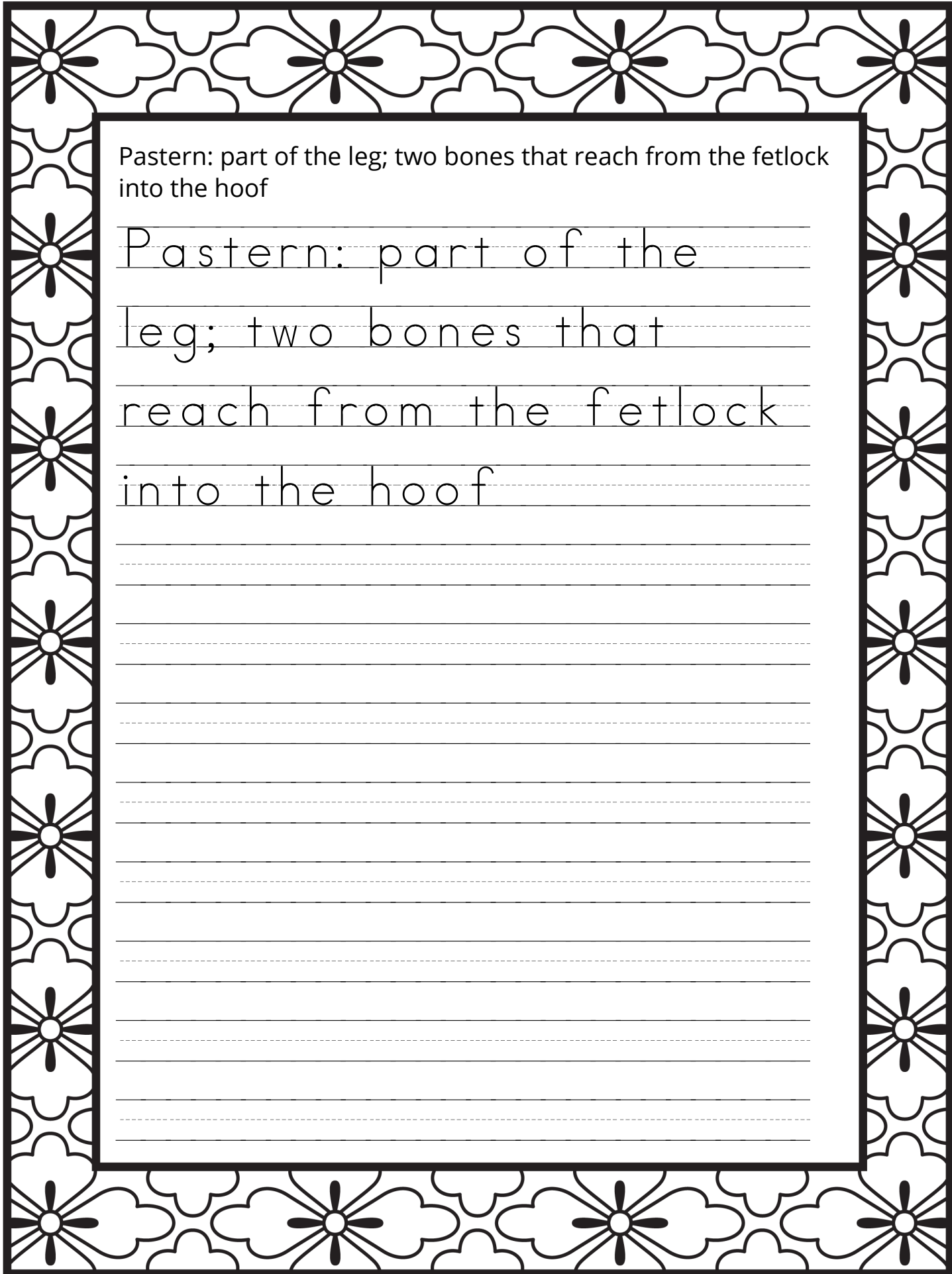
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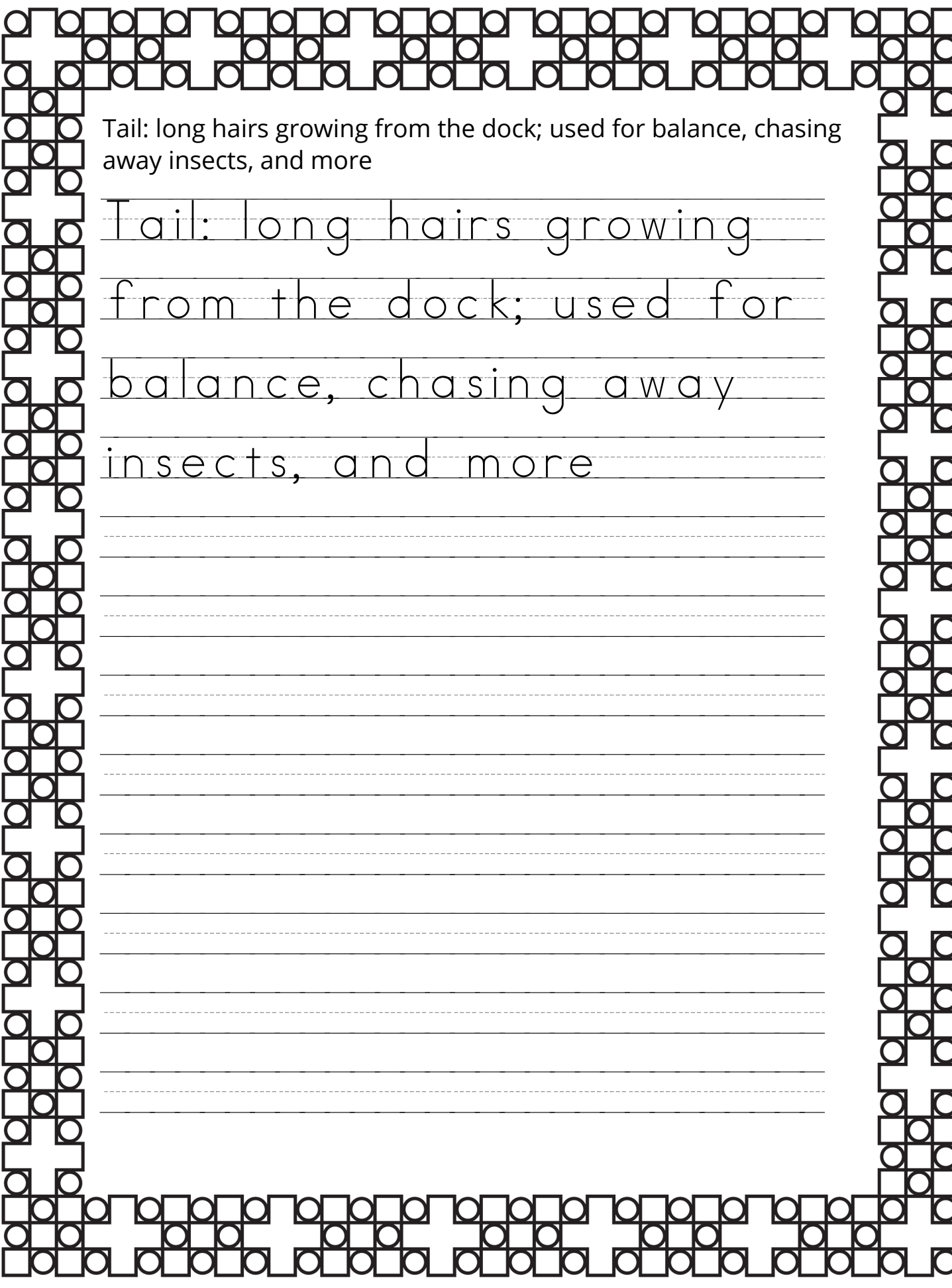
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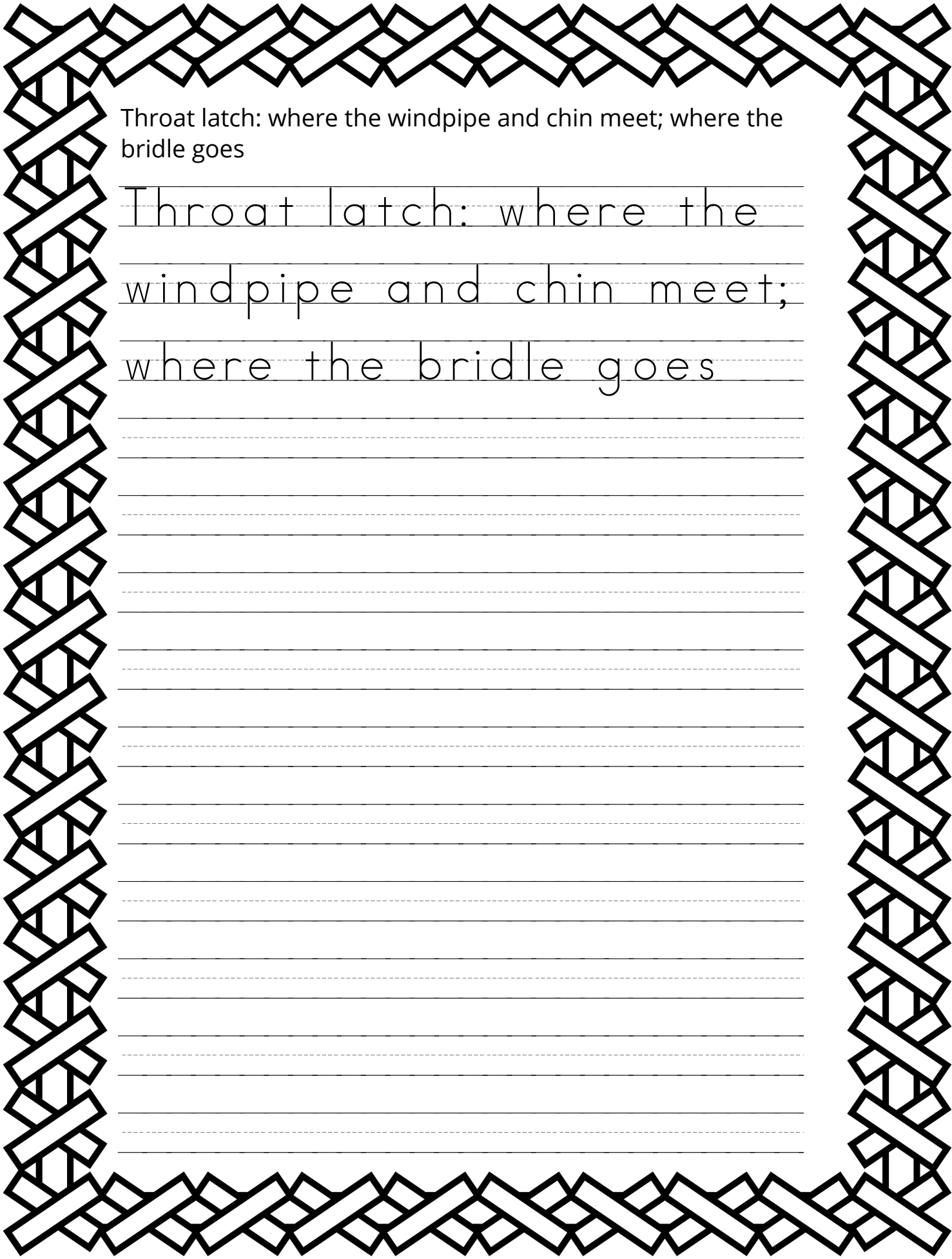
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