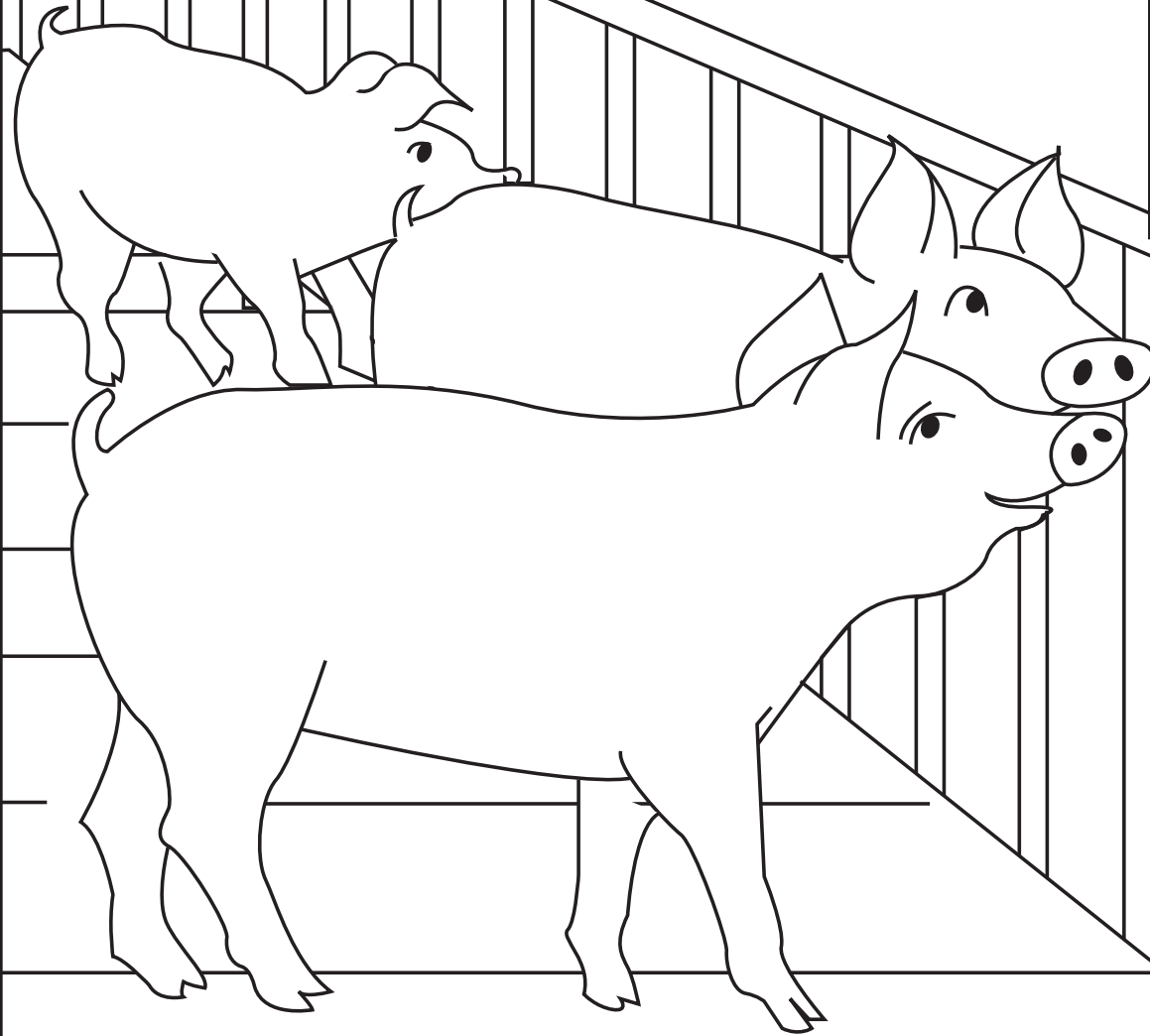
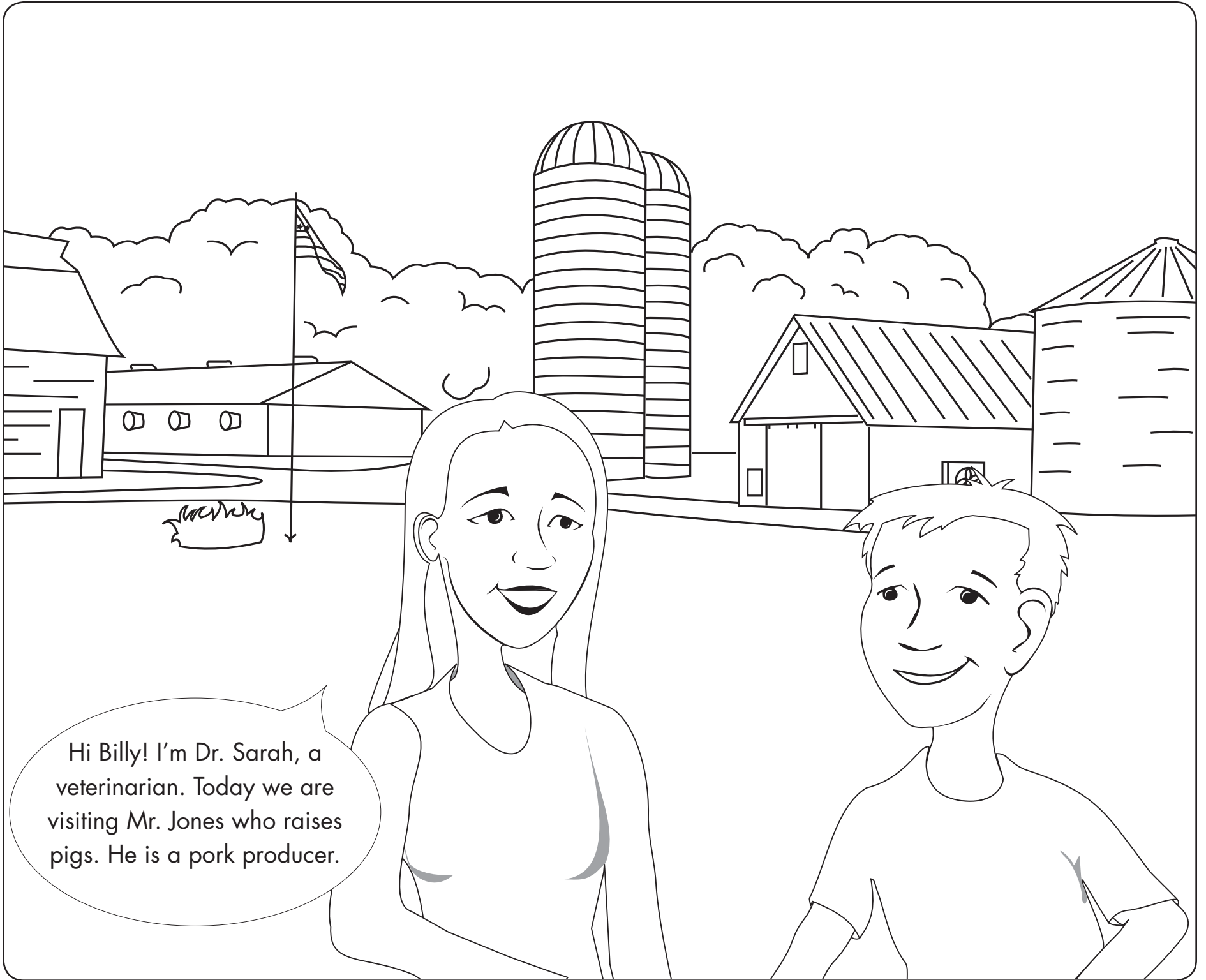


**pork**  
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Producers,  
**Pigs &  
Pork**



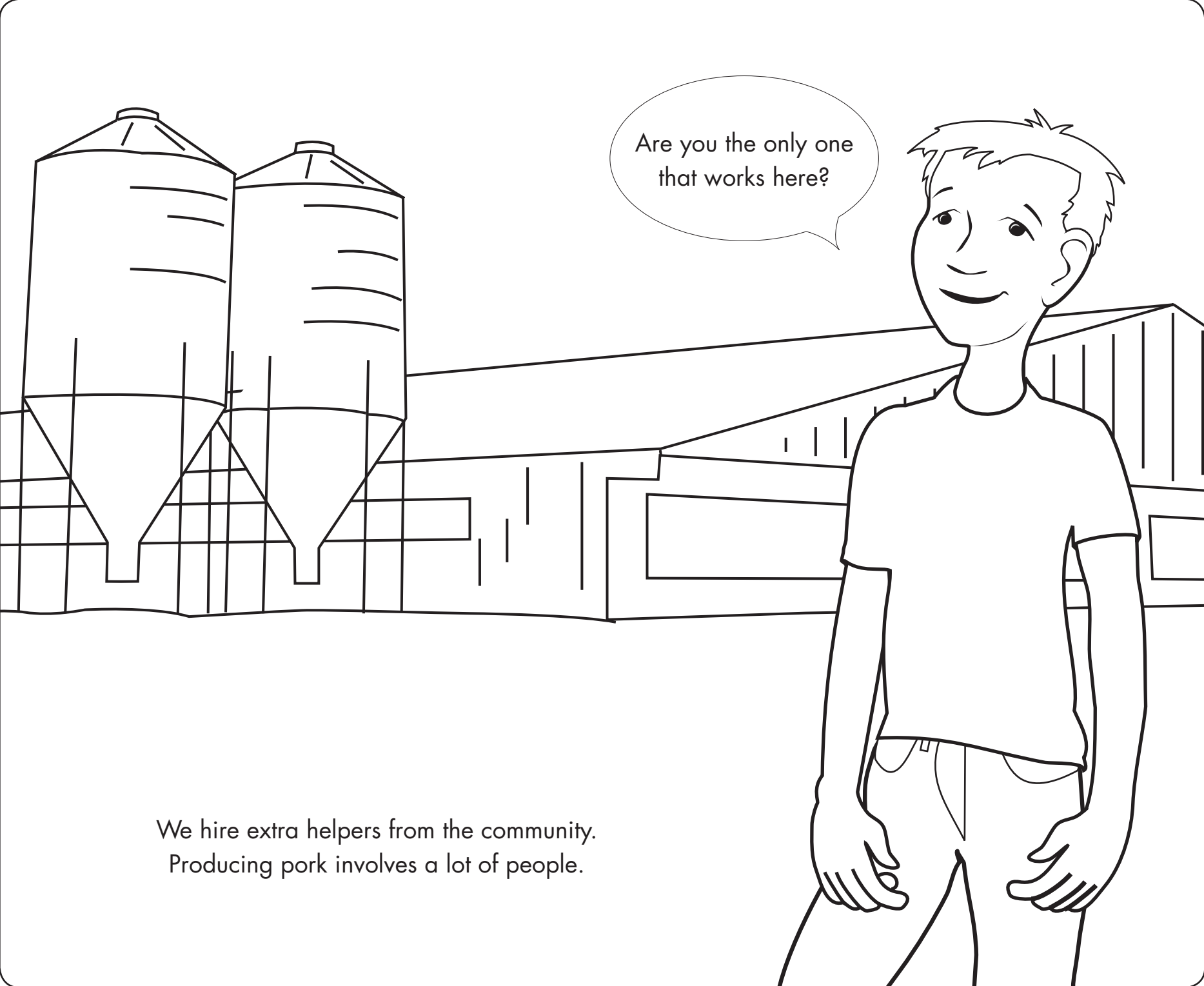
**America's Pork Producers invite you to learn more about pigs.**



Hi Billy! I'm Dr. Sarah, a veterinarian. Today we are visiting Mr. Jones who raises pigs. He is a pork producer.



This farm has been  
in our family for over 100 years.  
Farming is my job just like your  
parents have jobs.

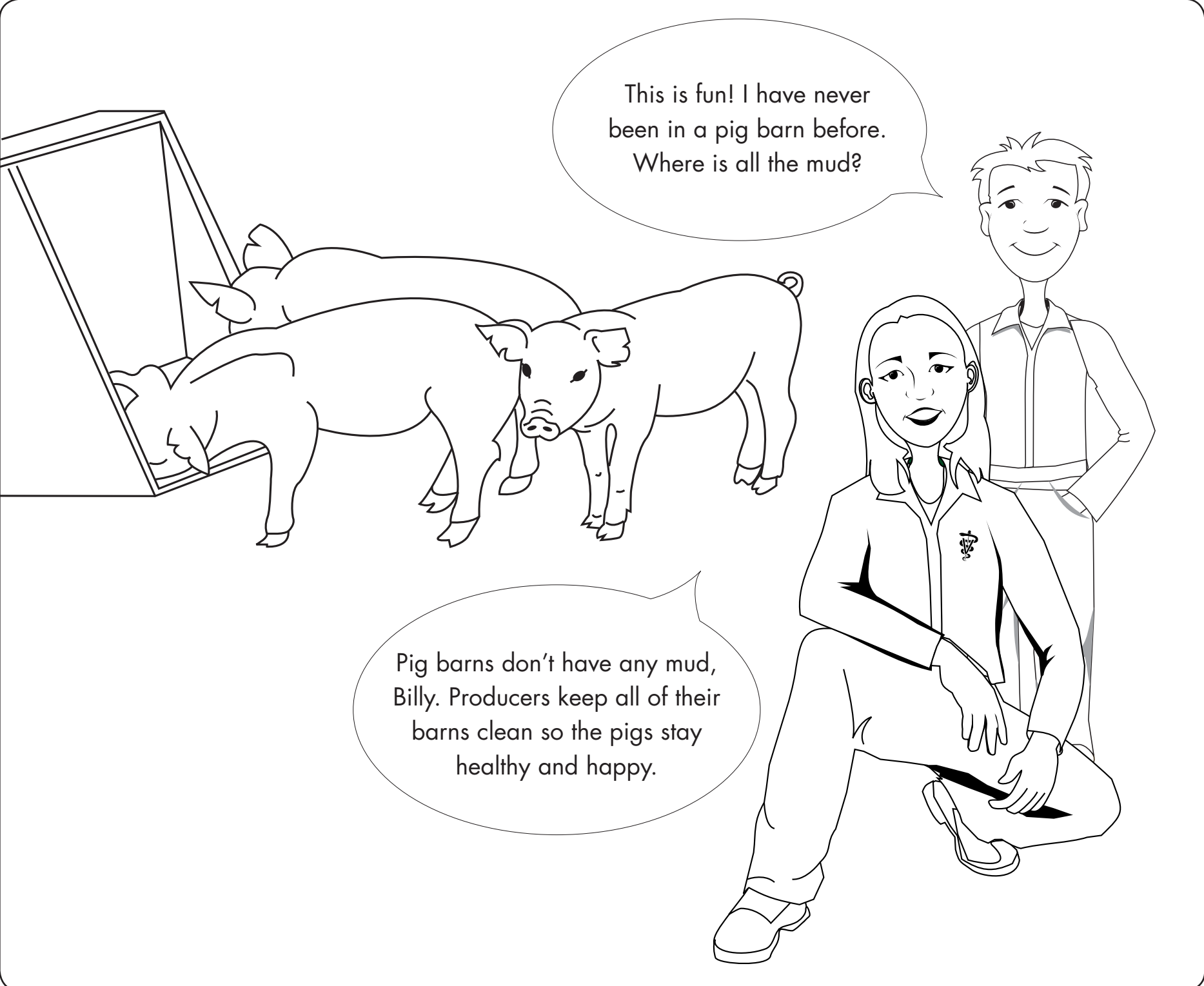


Are you the only one  
that works here?

We hire extra helpers from the community.  
Producing pork involves a lot of people.

Billy, we need to wear these coveralls and boot covers into the barn so we don't carry in any germs that might make the pigs sick.



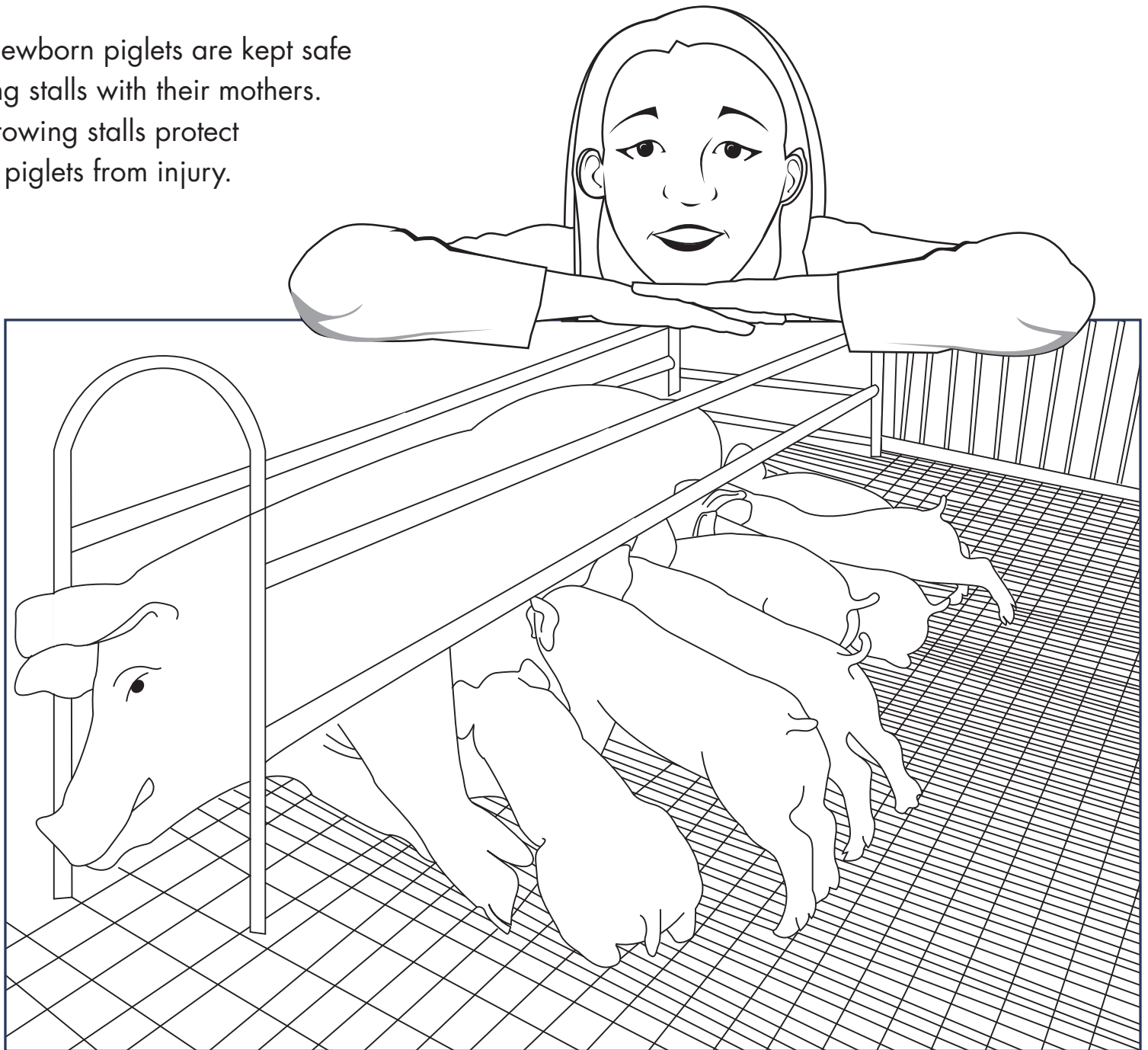


This is fun! I have never  
been in a pig barn before.  
Where is all the mud?

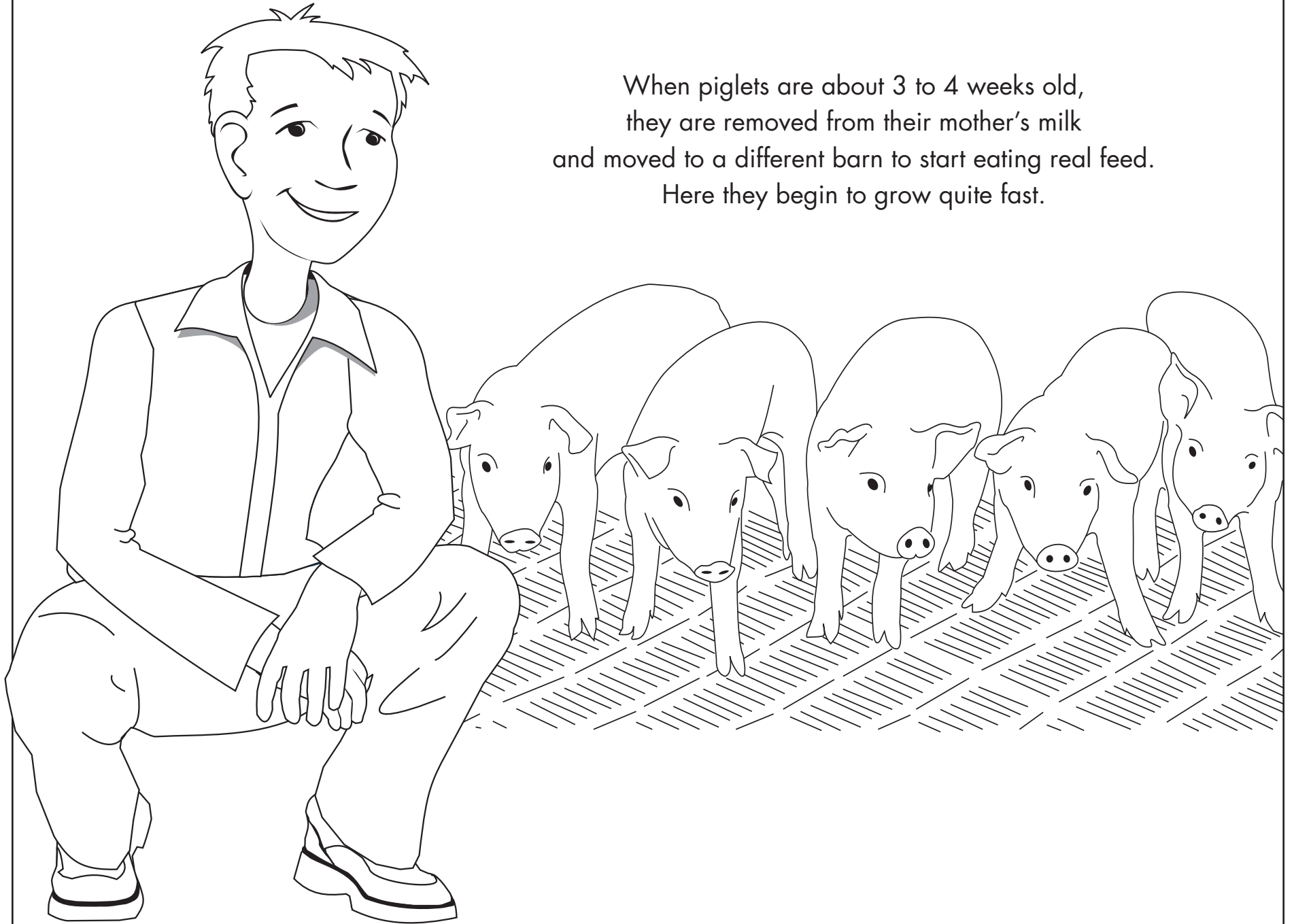
Pig barns don't have any mud,  
Billy. Producers keep all of their  
barns clean so the pigs stay  
healthy and happy.

In this barn newborn piglets are kept safe  
in farrowing stalls with their mothers.

Farrowing stalls protect  
the piglets from injury.



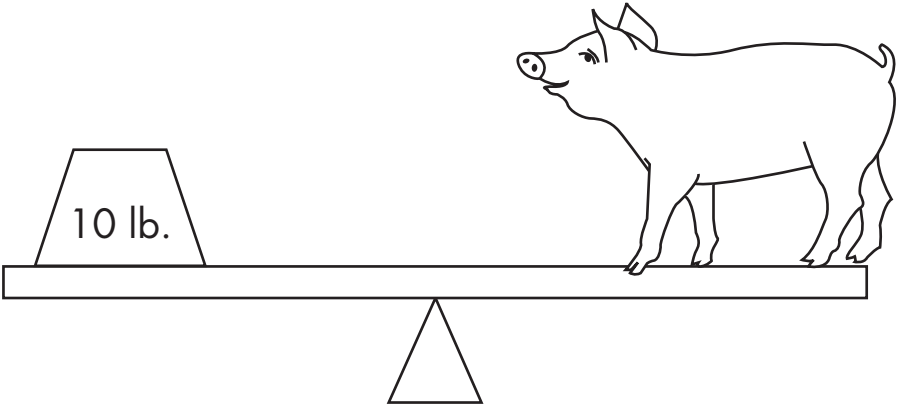
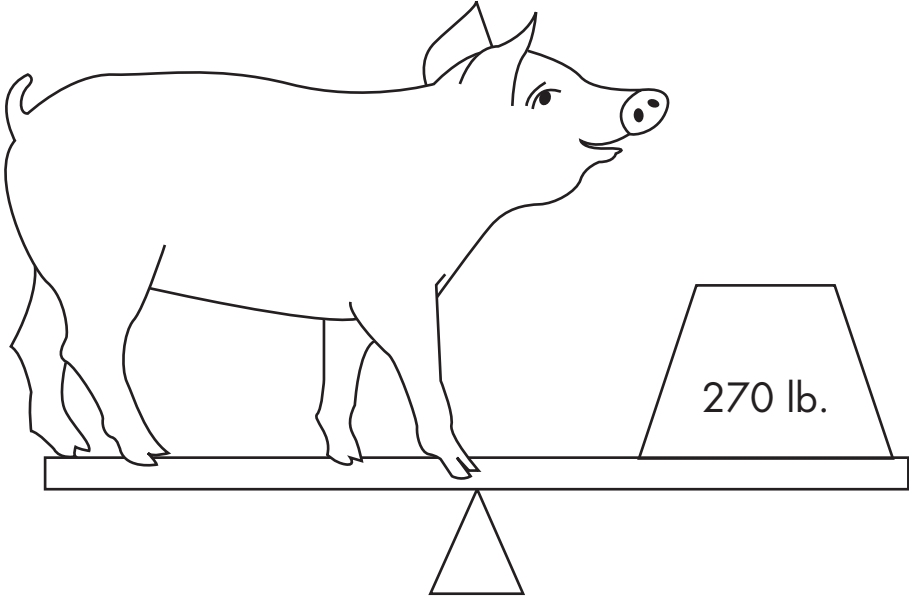
When piglets are about 3 to 4 weeks old,  
they are removed from their mother's milk  
and moved to a different barn to start eating real feed.  
Here they begin to grow quite fast.

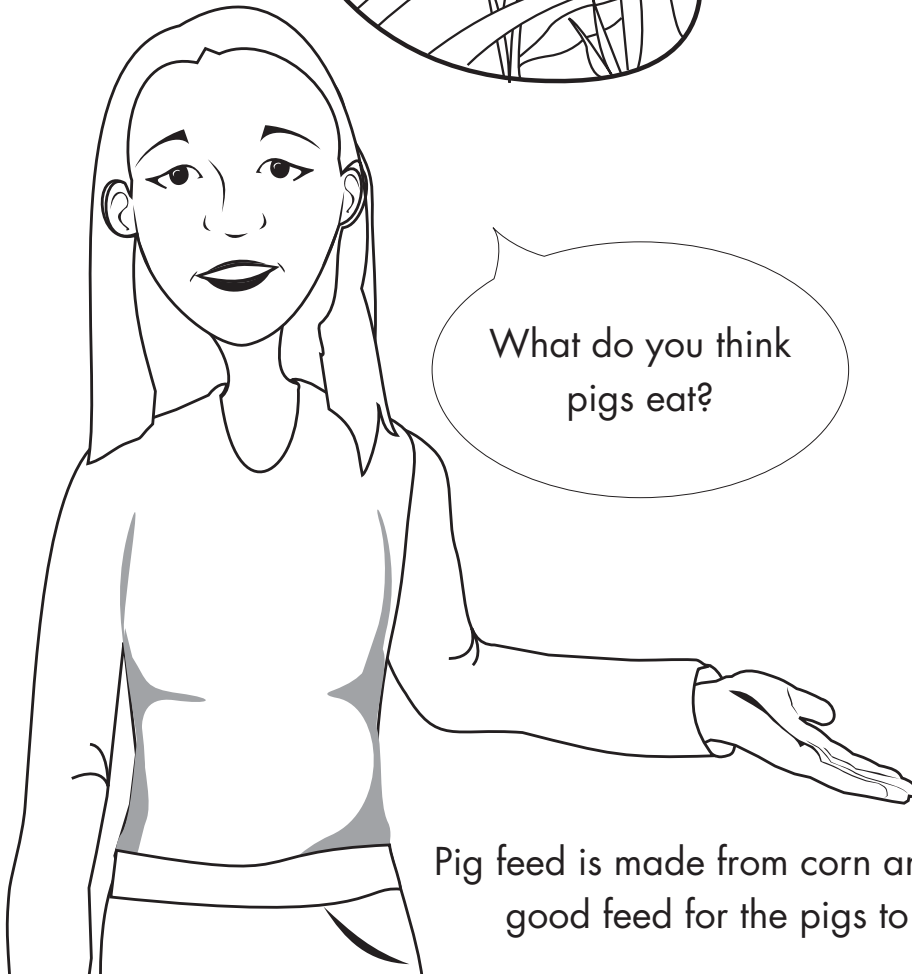
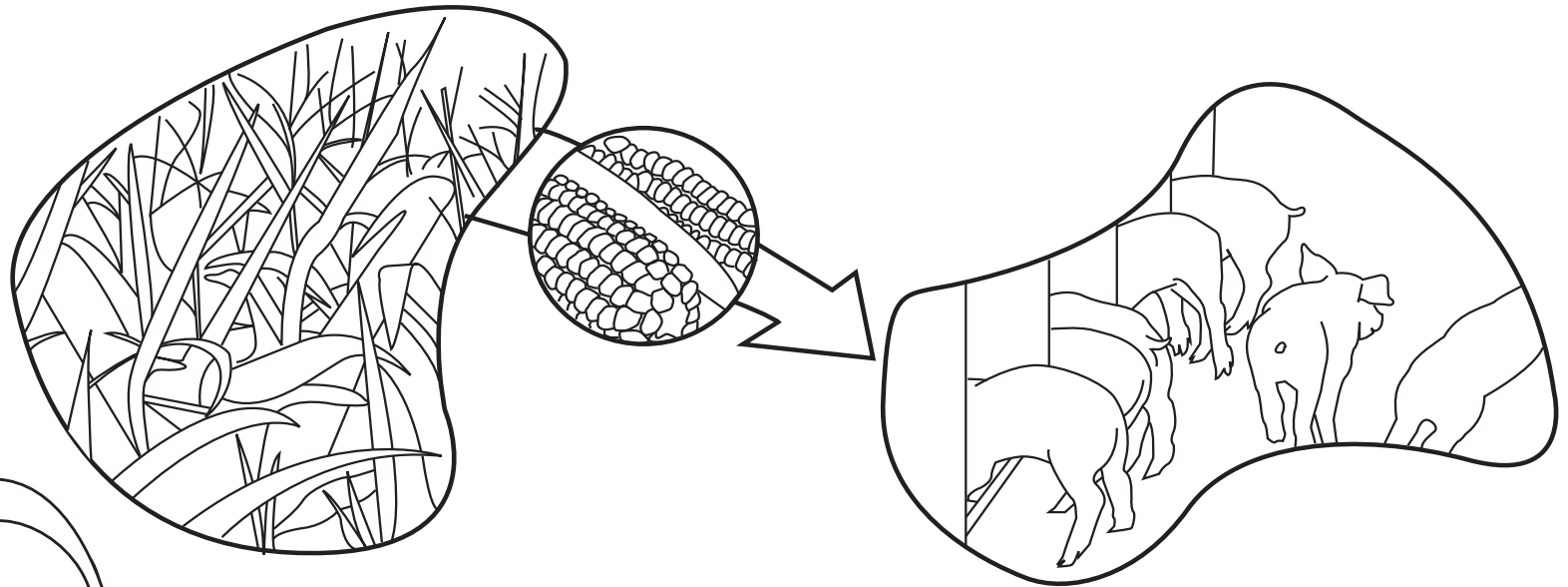




Pigs eat a lot of feed  
and will grow to 270 pounds  
in just five months.

Market weight  
is 270 pounds  
and when the pigs  
are market weight  
they can be sold.





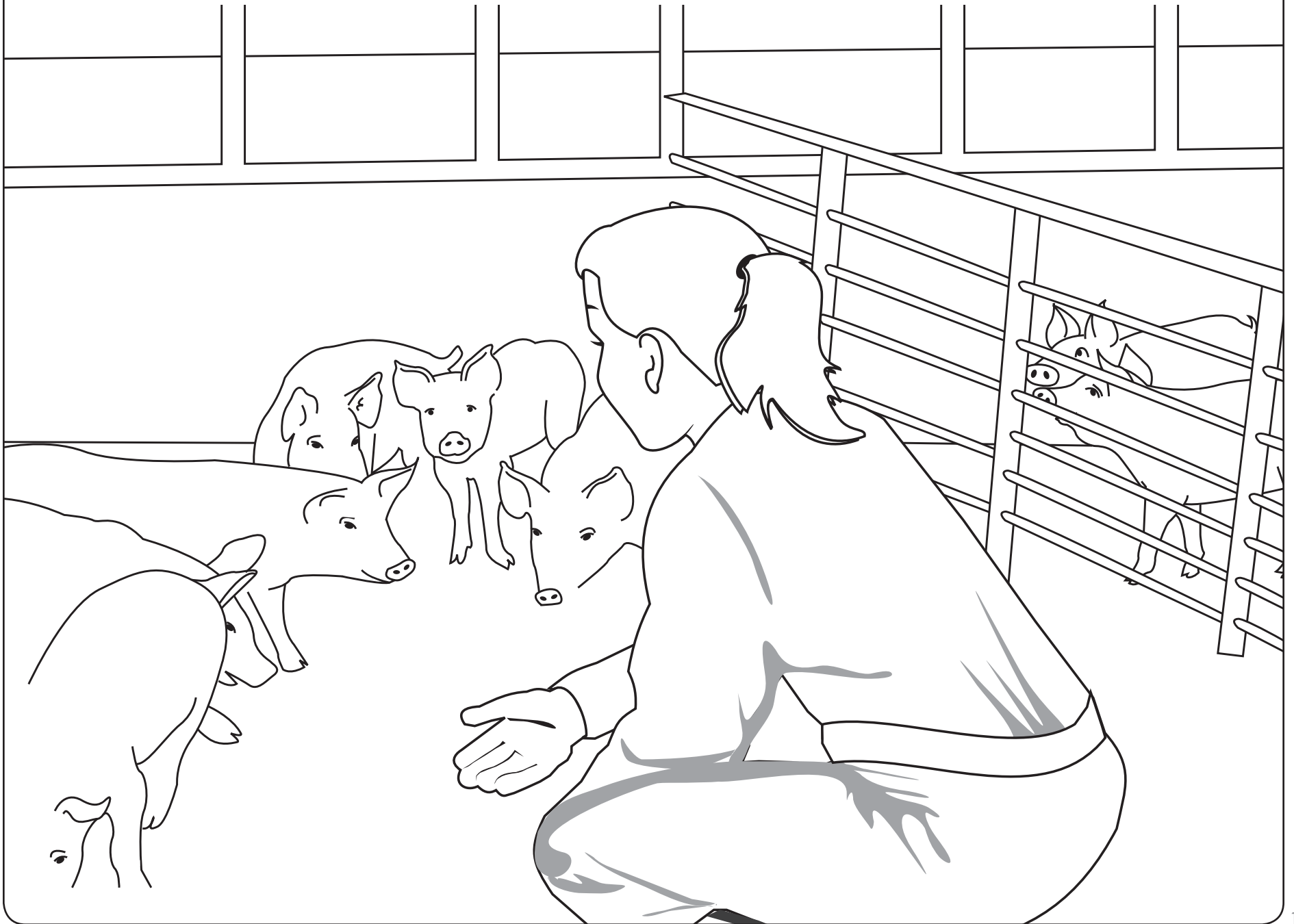
What do you think pigs eat?



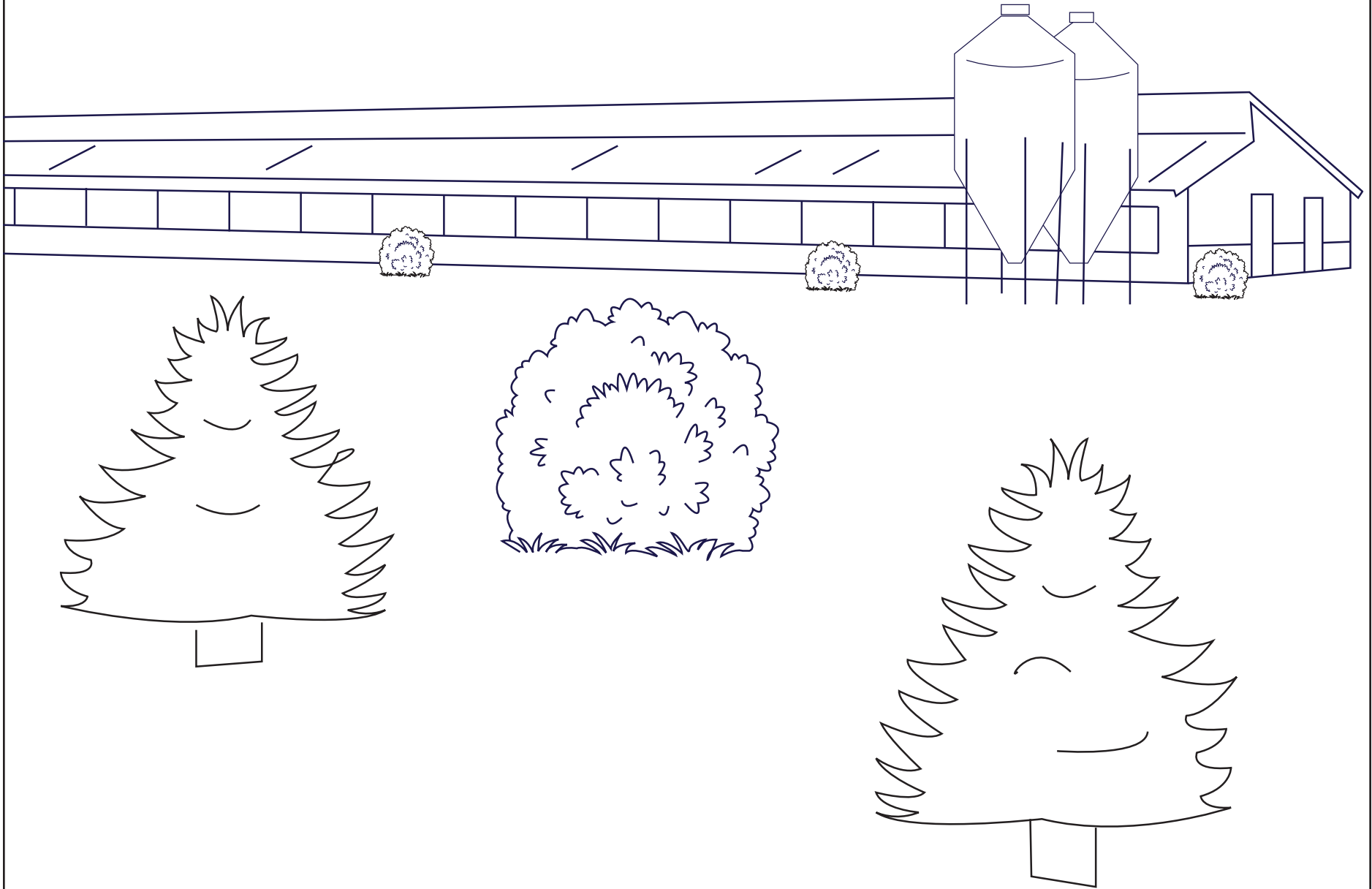
I'm not sure. Maybe leftover food or table scraps?

Pig feed is made from corn and soybeans. We provide good feed for the pigs to help them grow fast.

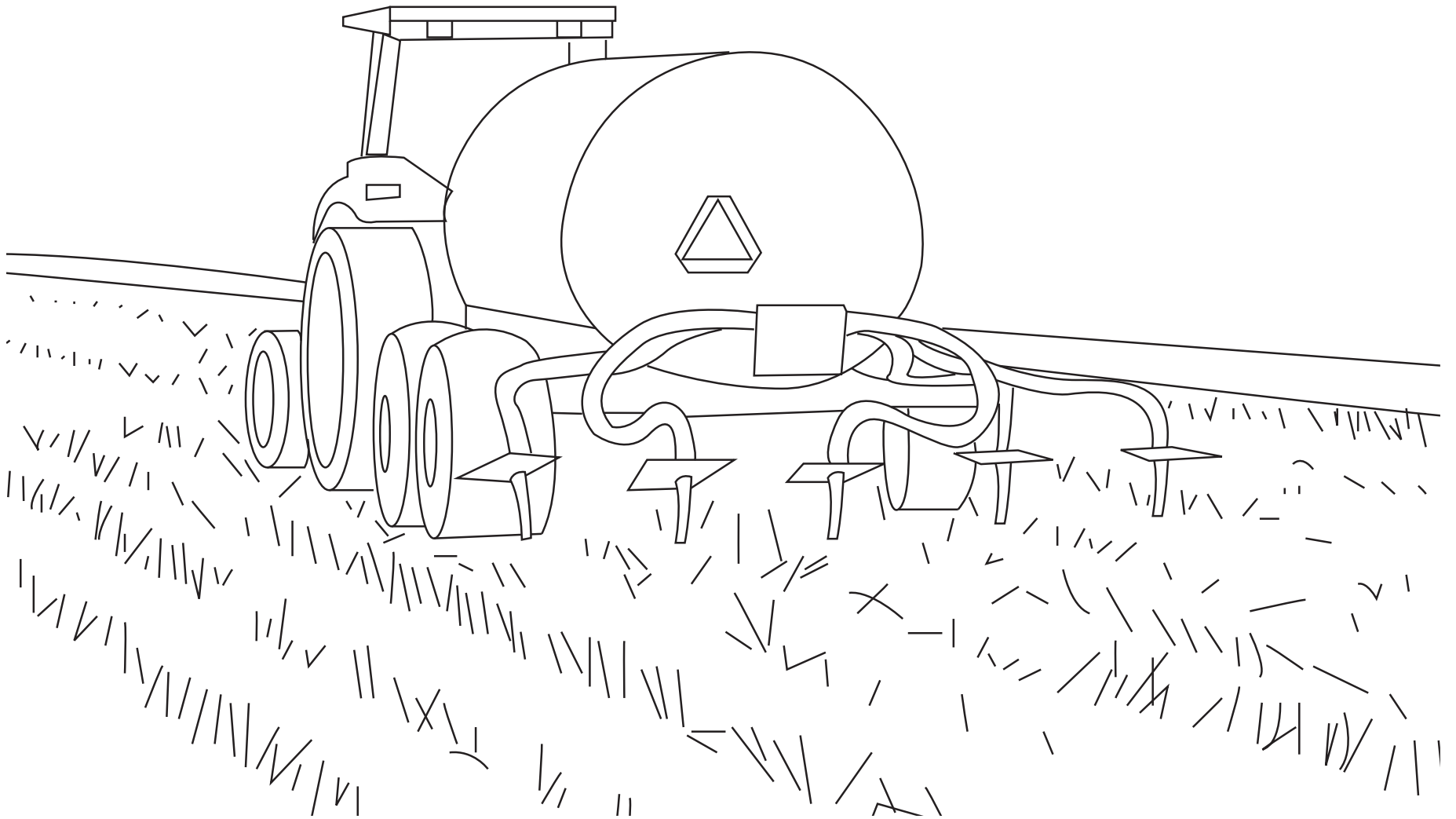
Veterinarians like Dr. Sarah make sure that pigs are healthy and treat them if they get sick.



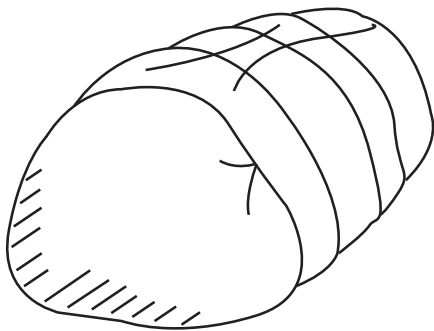
Pork producers also take care of the environment when they are raising pigs.  
They plant trees and bushes that help reduce dust and possible odor.



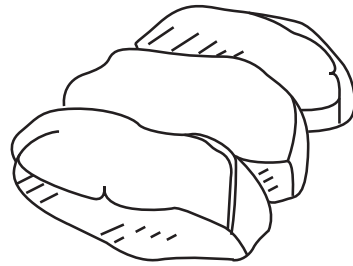
Pigs can't use all of the feed they eat, so they produce manure.  
We actually use this as fertilizer to make our crops grow better.



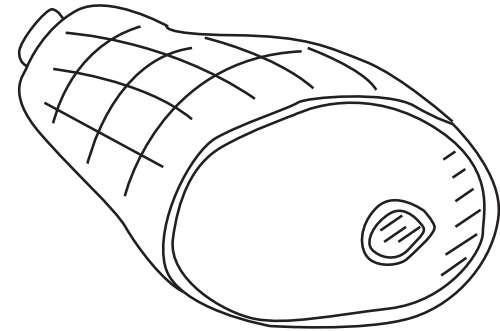
When pigs leave the farm, they go to a plant where they become food such as pork chops, ham, sausage and bacon.



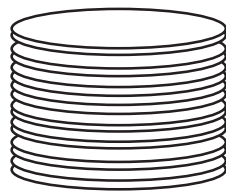
Pork Roast



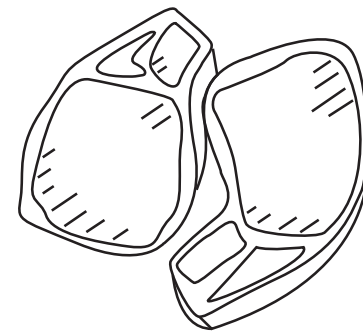
Boneless Pork Loin Chops



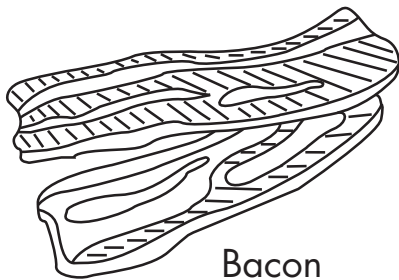
Ham



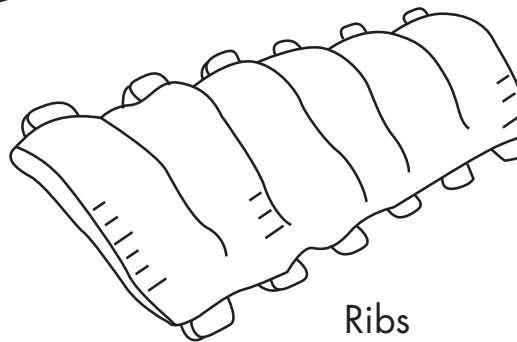
Bologna



Pork Chops

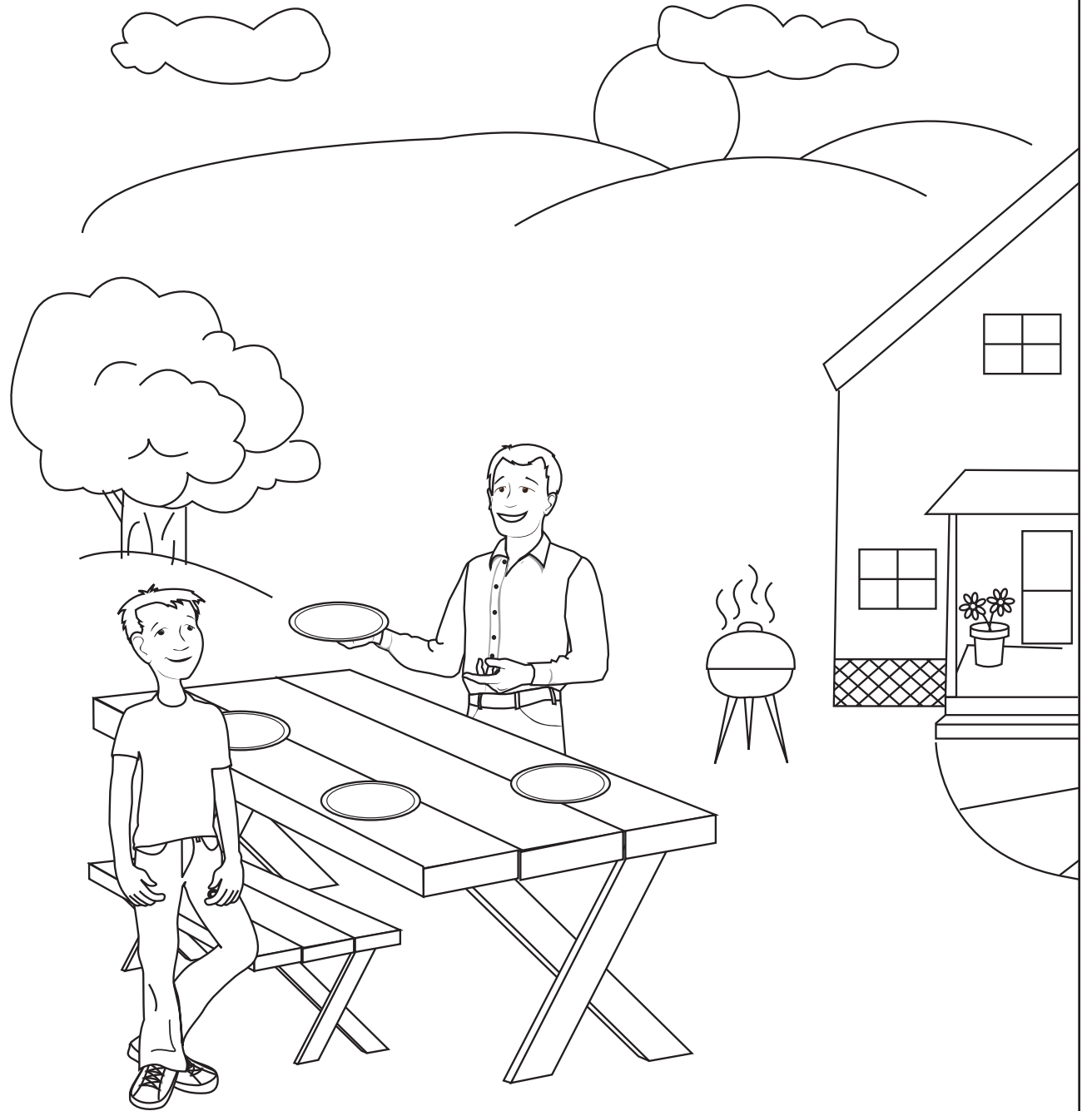


Bacon



Ribs

Finally,  
people like you  
and your family  
get to enjoy  
the safe,  
healthy and  
delicious food  
that comes  
from my farm!



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