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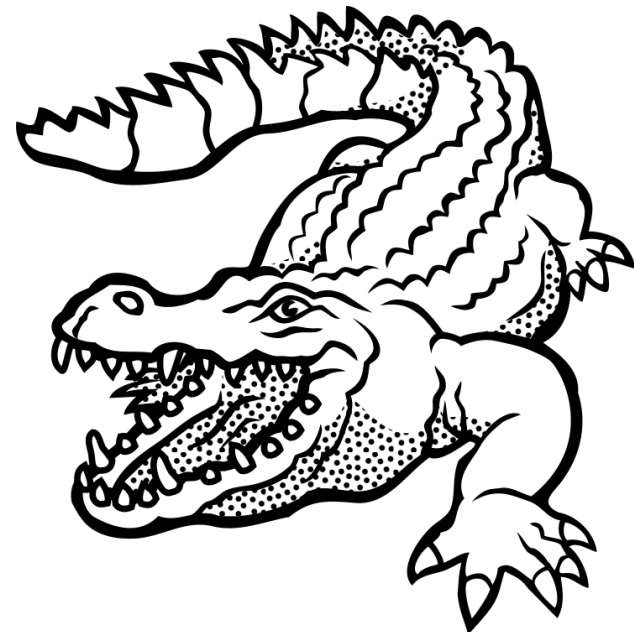
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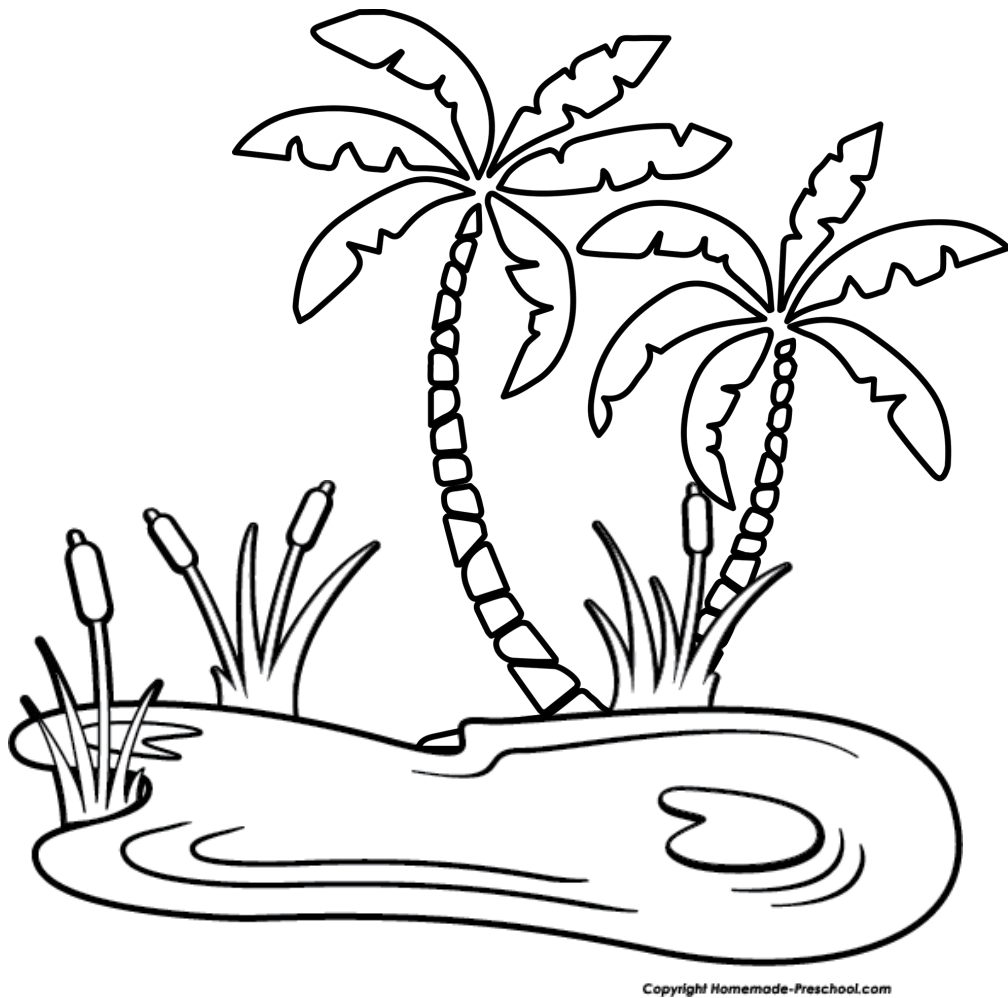
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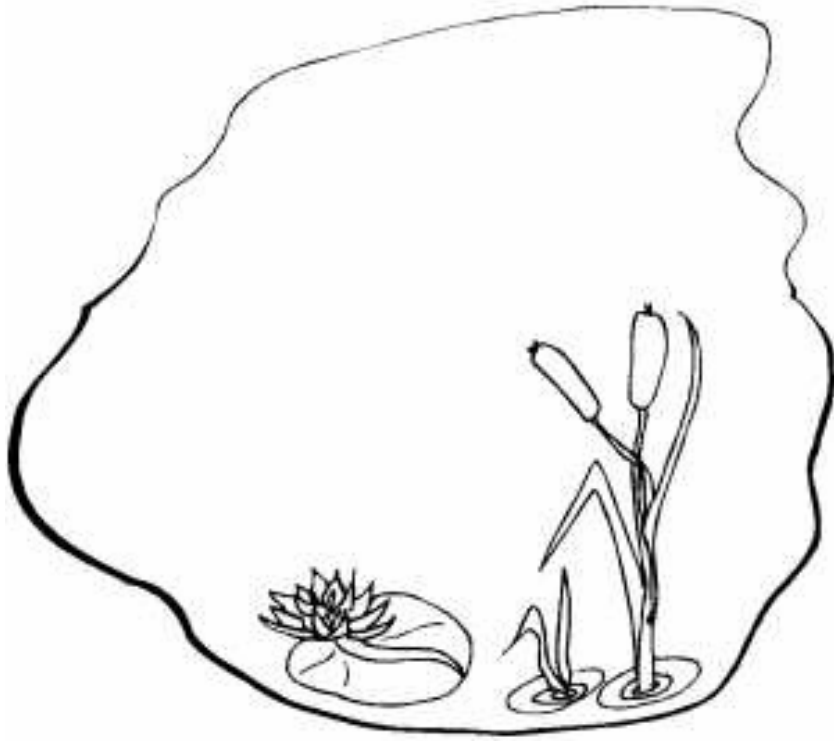
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According to fossils, ancient Crocodilians, were alive during the Triassic period approximately 248 million years ago! They used the water for shelter, reproduction, and food. Use your stickers to show dinosaurs and ancient crocodilians using the water together.

Yay! We have survived the drought and are thankful we still have water in our pond! Did you know that the water in lakes and rain clouds today is the same water dinosaurs lived with!

1. Ancient crocodilian ancestors existed 250-65 million years ago and have changed very little, according to fossil records. Most famous is probably Deinosuchus at over 30 feet long!
2. Rainstorms are extremely important! Evaporation of water and precipitation can move water around the planet and has been doing so for billions of years! You are drinking water that dinosaurs like the Deinosuchus played in!
3. Modern day crocodilians have 28 species. Some of them prefer freshwater, while others use salt water, but all of them rely on water to hunt for food and grow big and strong!

When baby crocodilians hatch and learn how to swim in the water, they also need to learn how to eat! Every living thing requires water to grow, including alligator food. Use your stickers below to show baby alligators and their food! (Hint: Baby alligators like to eat small fish, crabs, and insects)



Uh oh, the sun is super-hot today and it hasn't rained in a very long time. The water in the lake is evaporating and the pond is shrinking. There simply isn't enough water for everyone. Use your stickers to show the hot sun and TWO other animals that can use the water with the alligators.



Oh look, after many many hot days, a big rain cloud has finally arrived! There is now more water in the pond and more space for animals to share! Use your stickers to create a big rainstorm and pick FIVE additional animals who can share the water with the alligators.



Alligators lay their nests of eggs at the water's edge and teach their babies how to survive in the water. Use your stickers to show alligators and their nests at the water's edge!

