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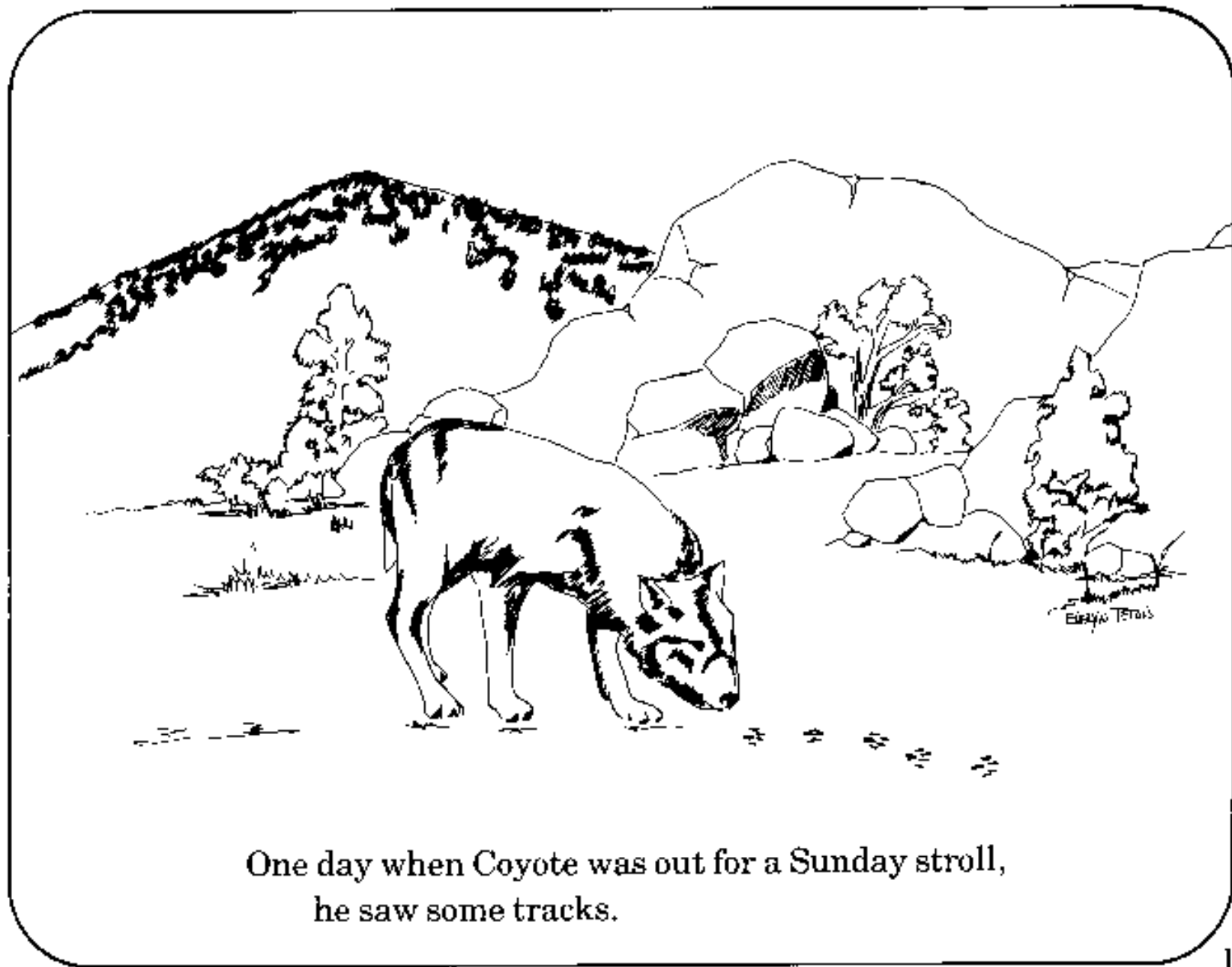
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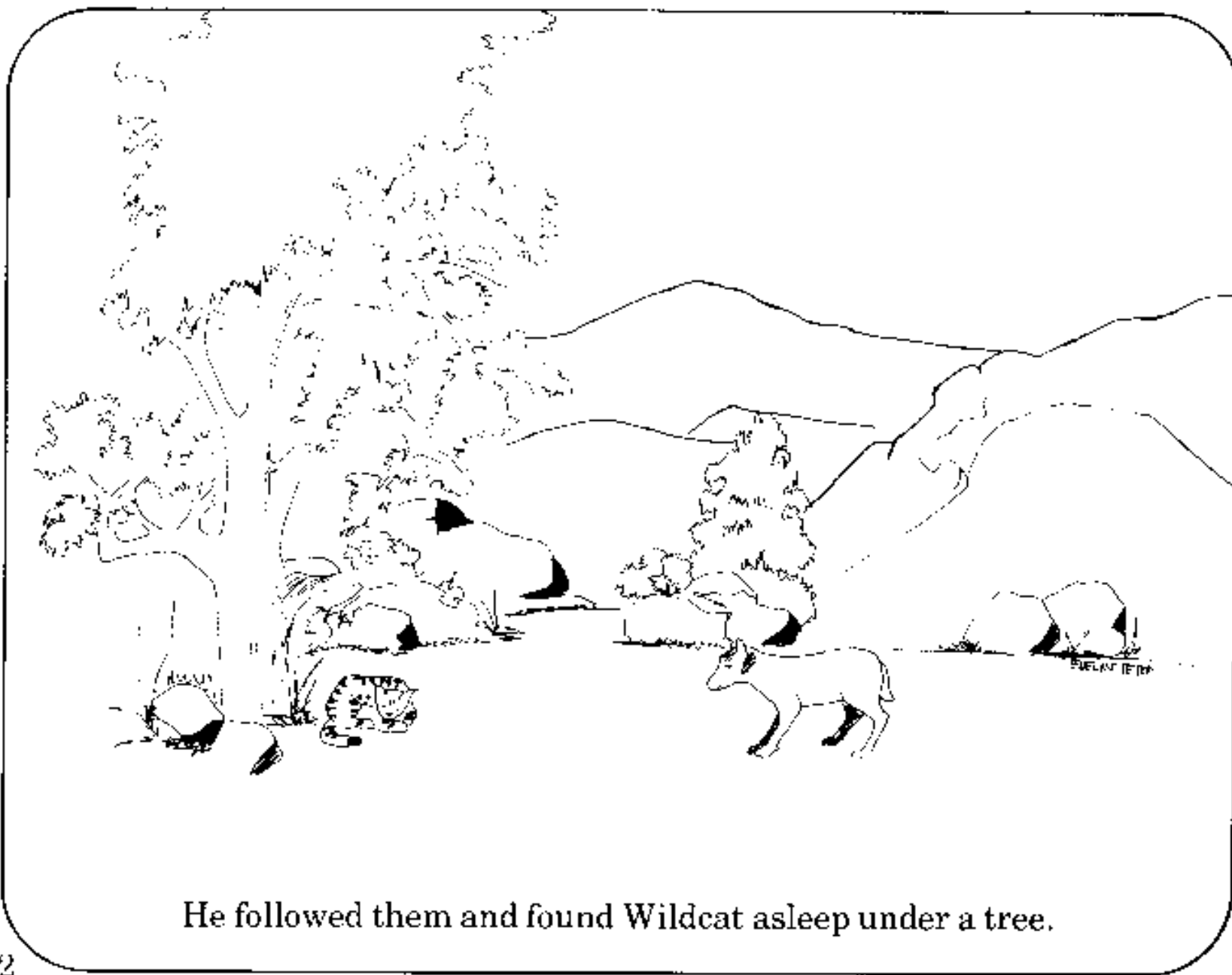
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One day when Coyote was out for a Sunday stroll,
he saw some tracks.



He followed them and found Wildcat asleep under a tree.



Coyote took Wildcat's tail and made it short.
He stretched his hind legs
and shaped his head until it was round.



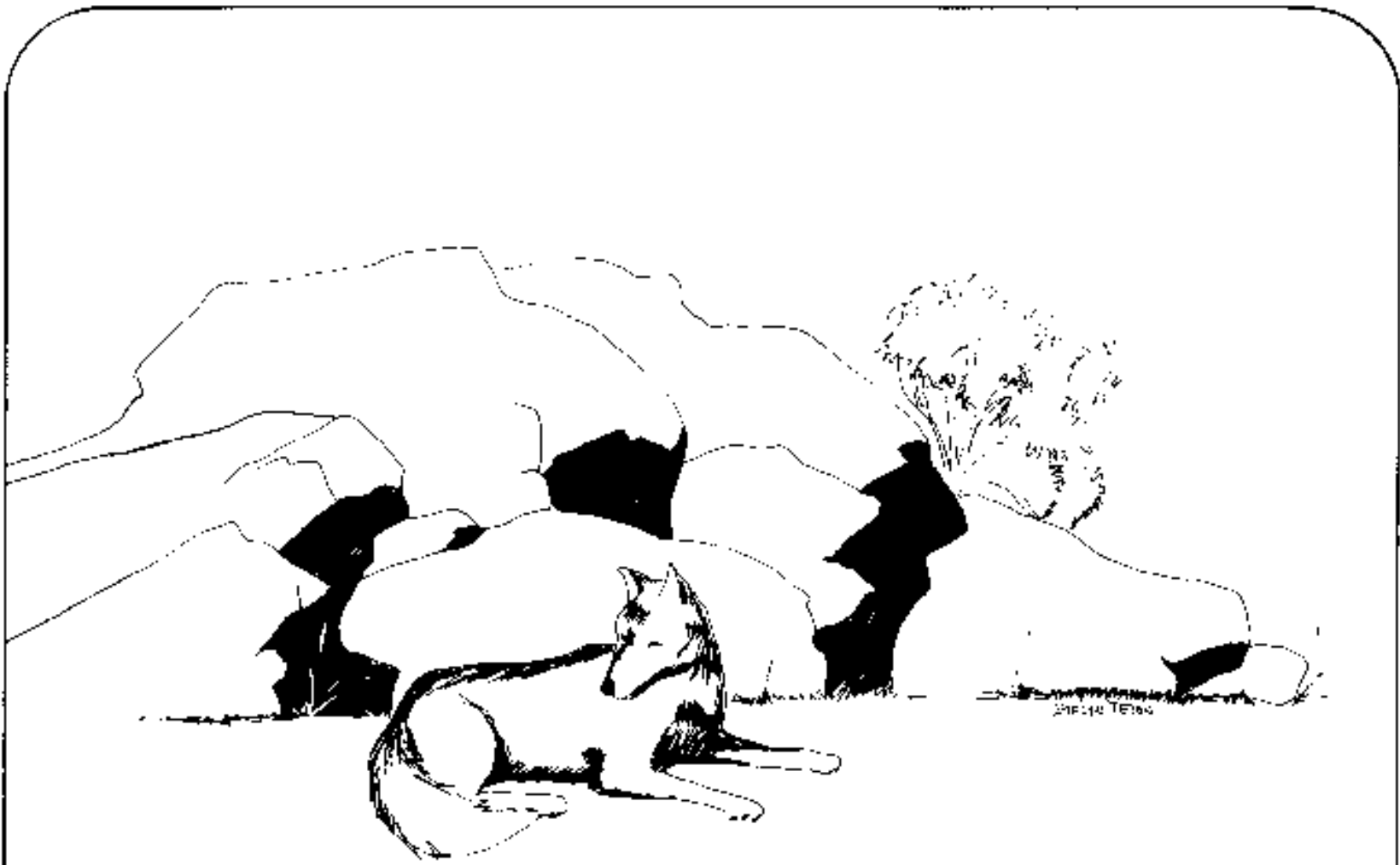
When Wildcat woke up and saw his shadow,
he noticed he looked different.



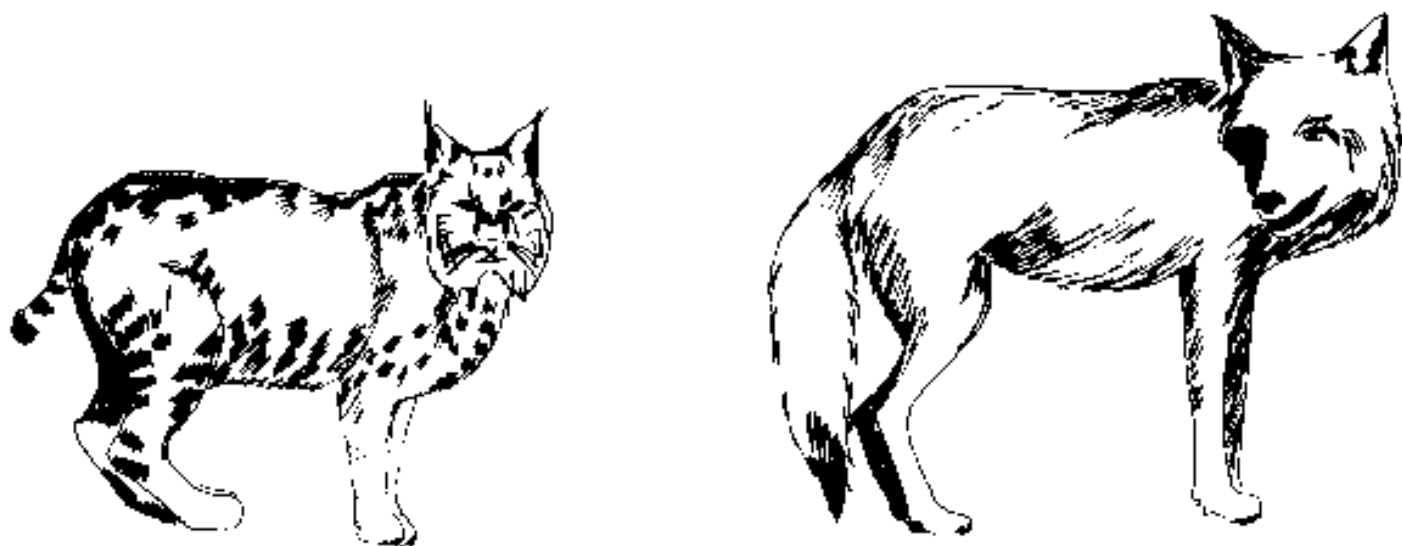
Wildcat became very angry.
He saw Coyote's tracks and knew who had done this.



He found Coyote taking a nap.
While Coyote was asleep,
Wildcat made Coyote's tail big and bushy
and shaped his nose until it was pointed.
Then Wildcat was happy, and he went on his way.



When Coyote woke up and saw his bushy tail,
he wondered what had happened to him.



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That is how Wildcat and Coyote tricked each other.
That is why today the coyote has a long, pointed nose
and big, bushy tail.
It is also why the wildcat has a short tail,
stretched legs and round head.

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