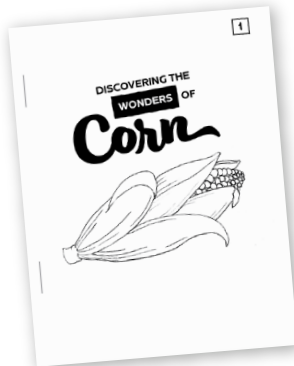
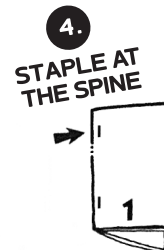
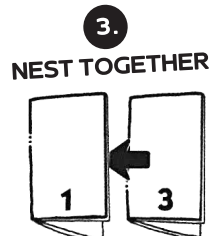
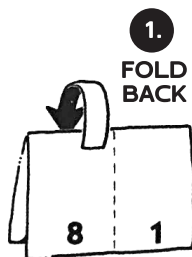
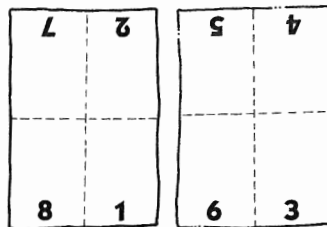


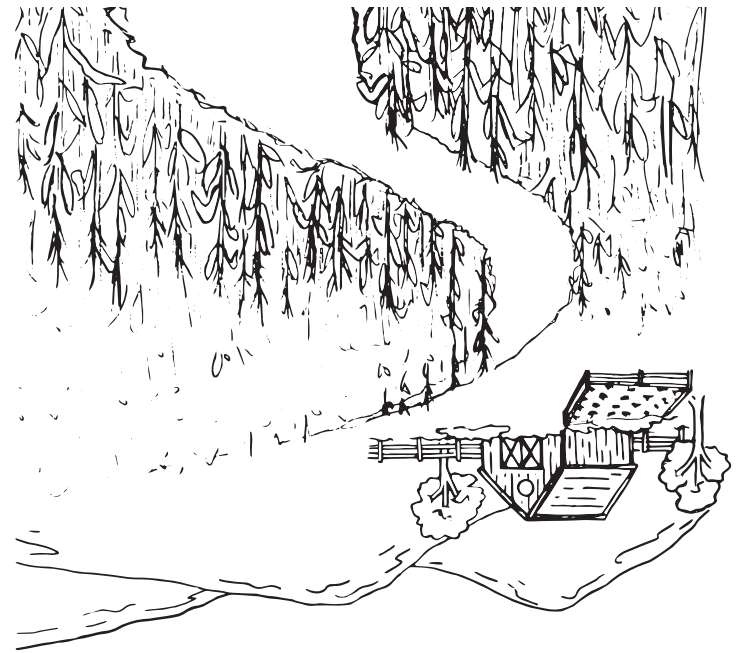
Assembling Mini Books



Mini books offer valuable content information in a kid-friendly format. Each student can be given his or her own book to keep. They can also color, draw, or annotate the book as instructed by their teacher. These books also provide a great home link, as students can take them home and share the information they are learning with their family.

To assemble a book follow these simple instructions.

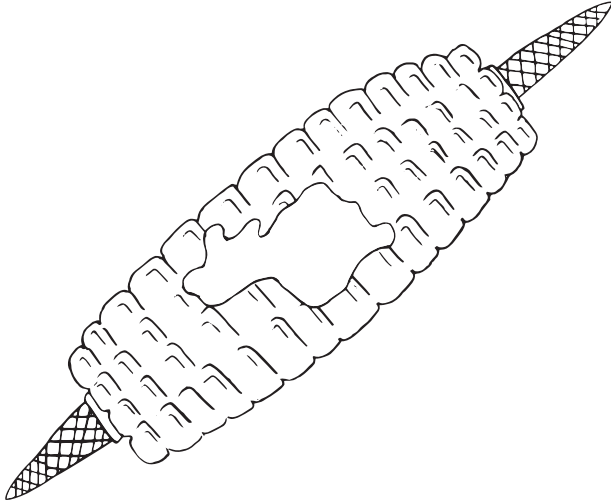




Corn is a type of plant that people have been growing for thousands of years. It is also called maize. Corn is an important crop in many countries, including the United States.

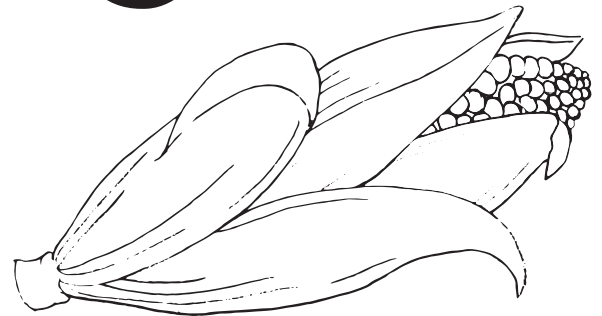
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In the fall, it's time to harvest the corn. The corn silk has turned brown and dry, but the kernels inside the husk are ripe and full of flavor. They are ready to eat!

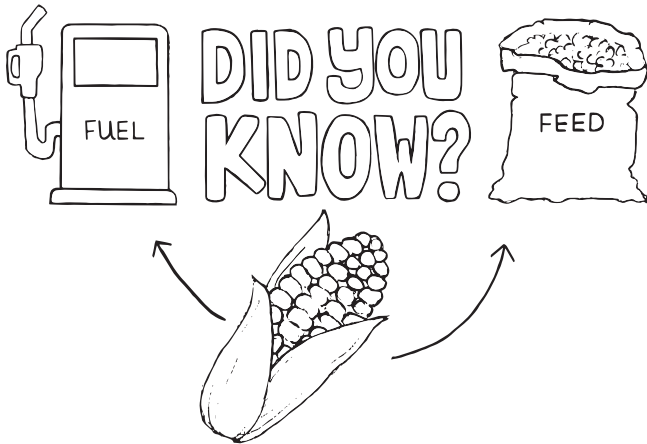


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DISCOVERING THE WONDERS OF Corn

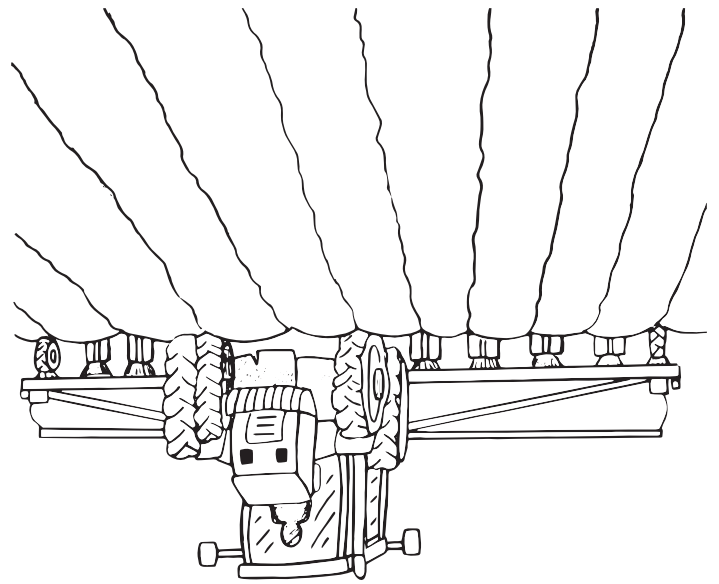


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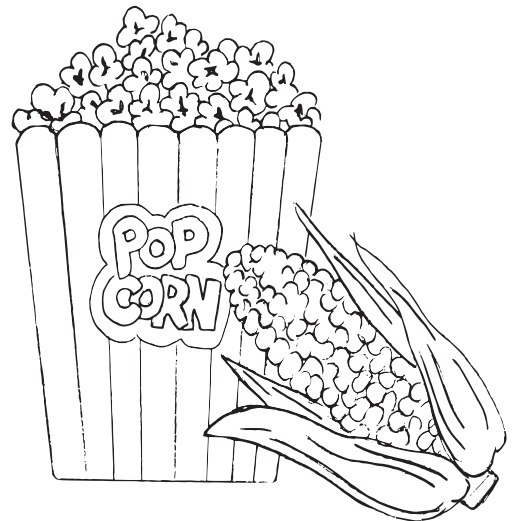
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Although sweet corn is a popular food, corn has many other uses beyond the dinner table. In the United States, the majority of corn is grown as animal feed or fuel. Despite being an ancient crop, corn continues to play an important role in our lives today.



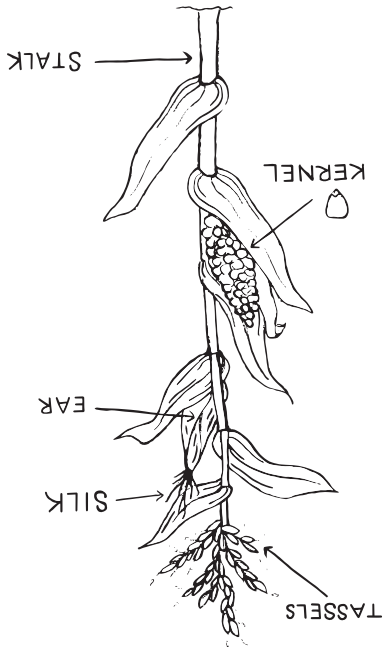
Sweet corn is planted in the spring. On farms, tractors are used to prepare the soil and plant the corn. A corn seed is actually a dried kernel of corn.

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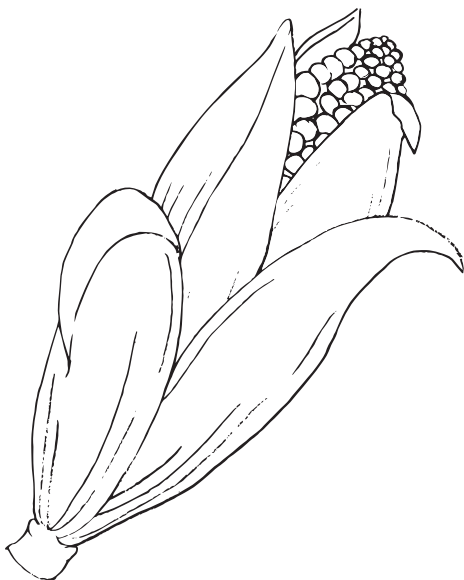
There are many different types of corn. Some types are used for food, like sweet corn or popcorn. Other types are used to make things like fuel or animal feed.

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As the plants grow, they develop ears on the stalk. The top of each ear has a cluster of silky strands, called the silk. The tassels on top of the cornstalk produce pollen. This pollen falls onto the silk, pollinating each individual strand. Each strand of silk then grows a kernel of corn.

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Every plant will produce one or two ears of corn. Special leaves called husks protect the ears. If you peel back the husk, you will see the kernels of corn inside.

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