

Apples & Pumpkins



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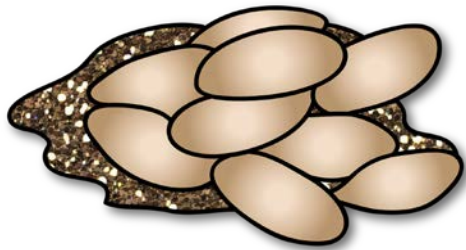


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Pumpkin Life Cycle

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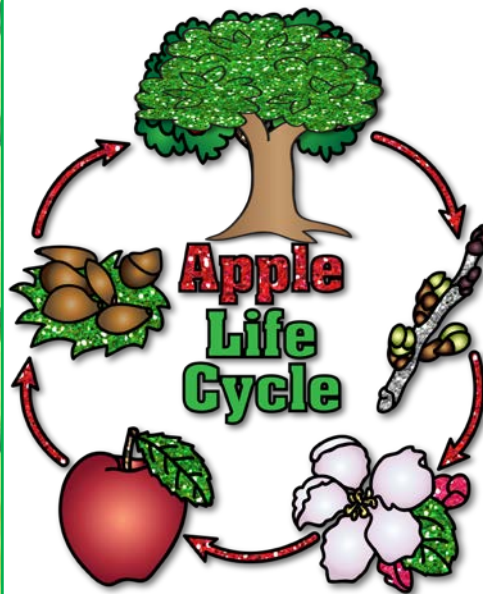
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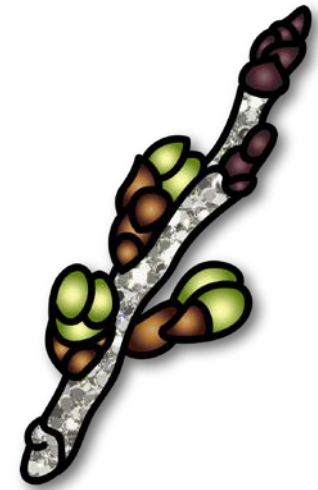
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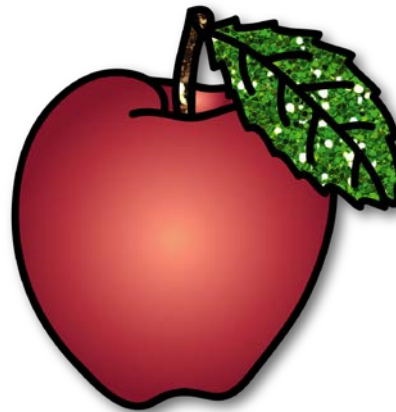
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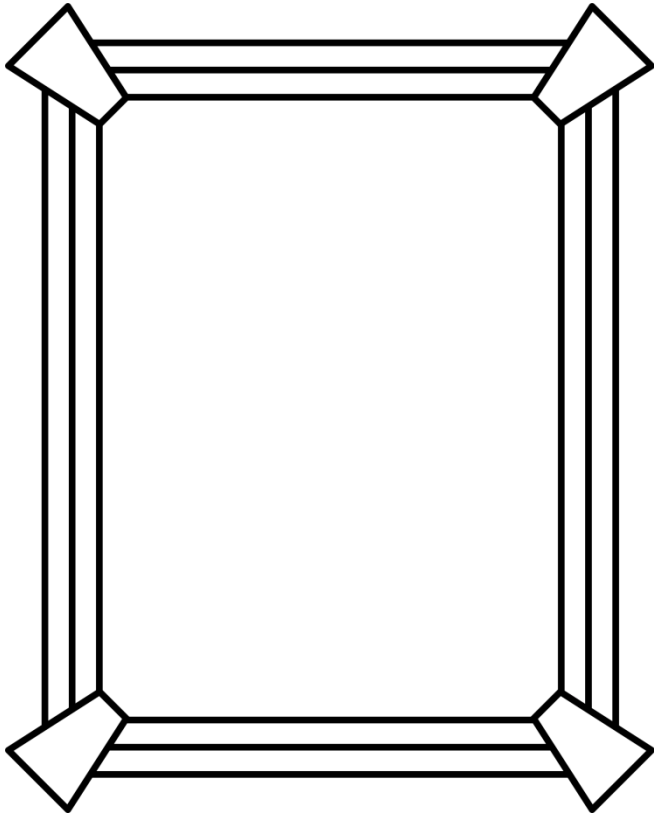
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One Opinion Is:

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fall

cider

the juice from a
fruit

harvest

gathering a crop

orchard

a group of trees

variety

the types of apples

blossom

the flower of a
plant

flesh

the inside part of the
apple

perennial

grows every year

pepitas

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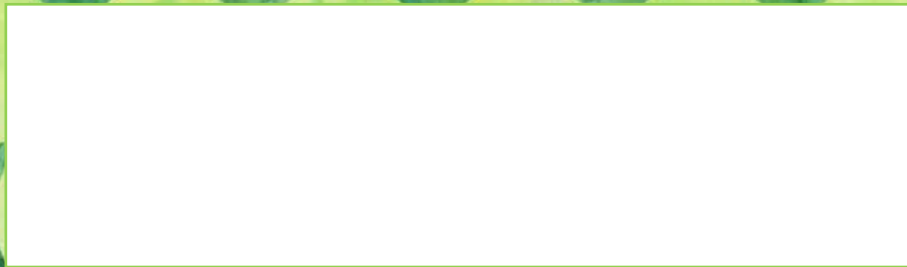
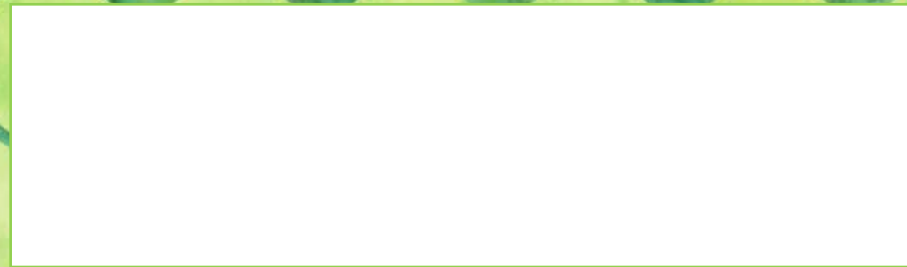
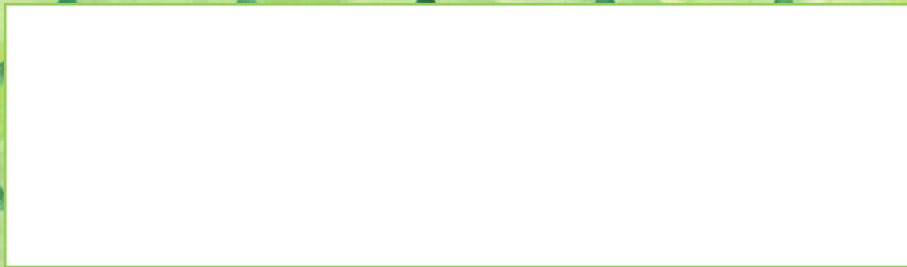
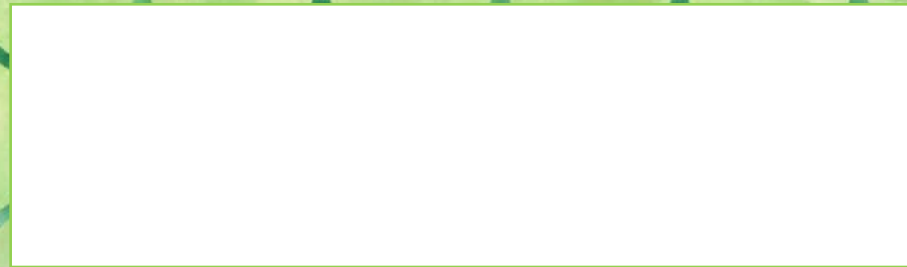
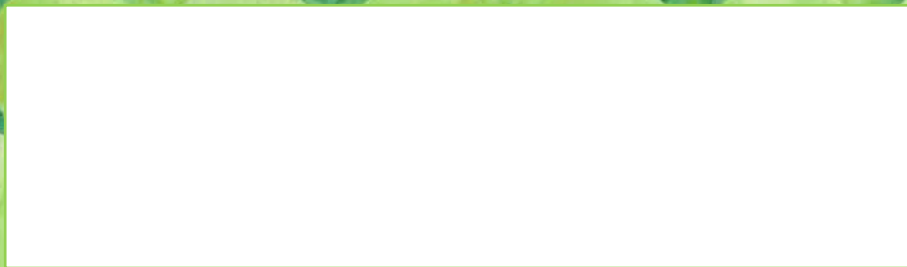
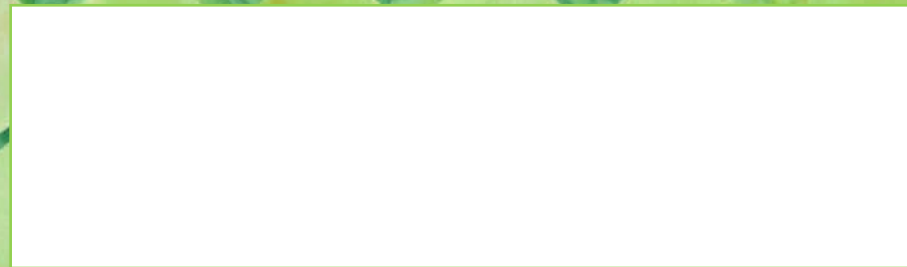
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vine

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Directions: In the shapes below compare the facts you have learned about apples and pumpkins. How are they the same? How are they different?

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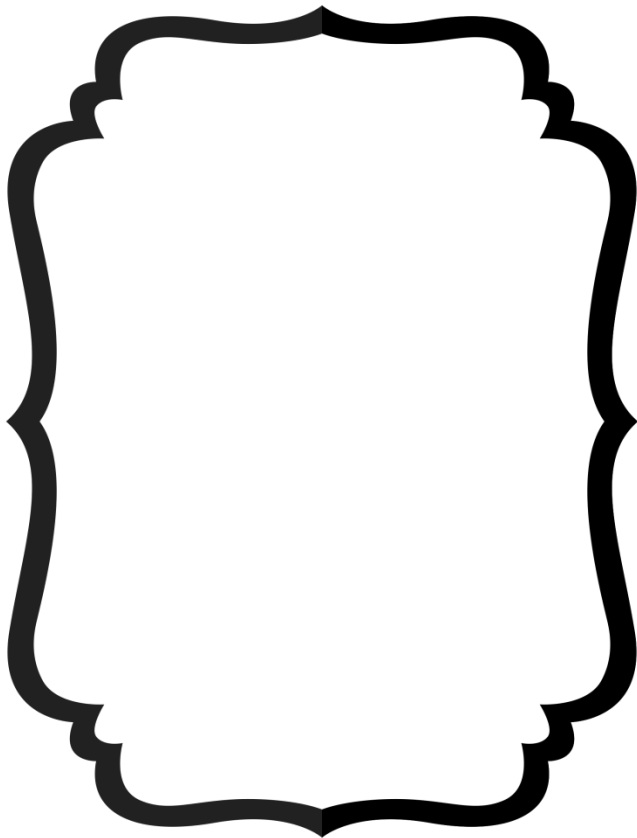
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My Opinion Is...

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This is an apple:



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2. _____

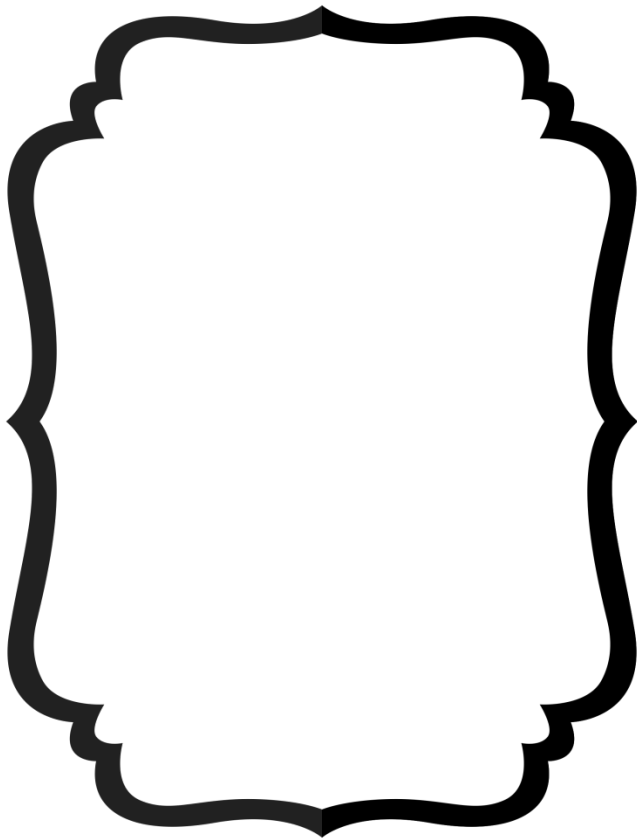
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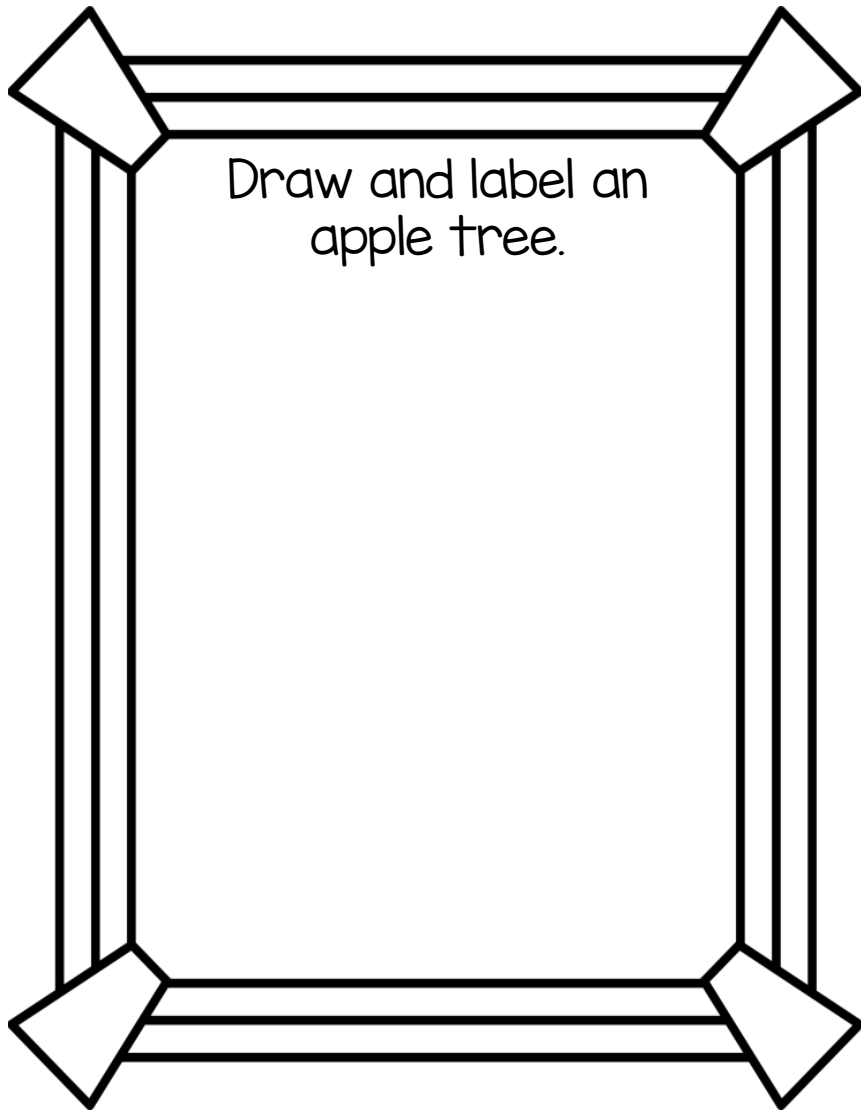
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Apples



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Share three facts.

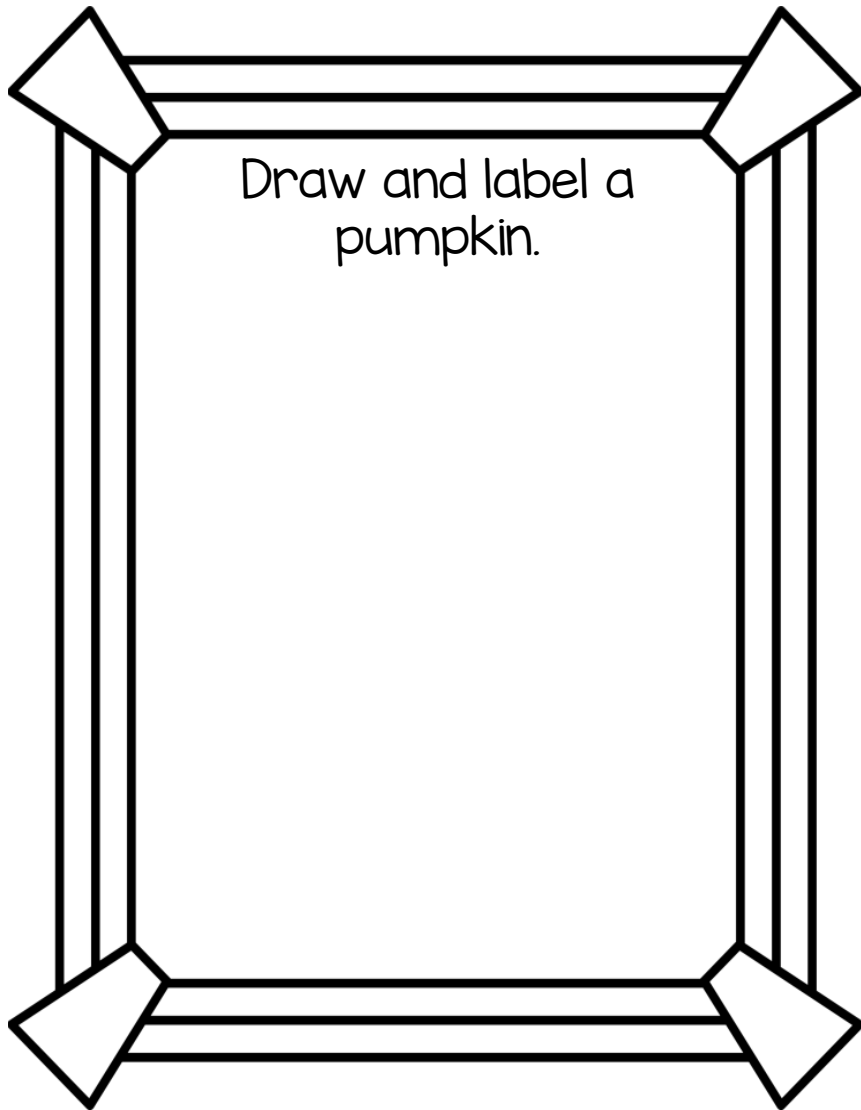
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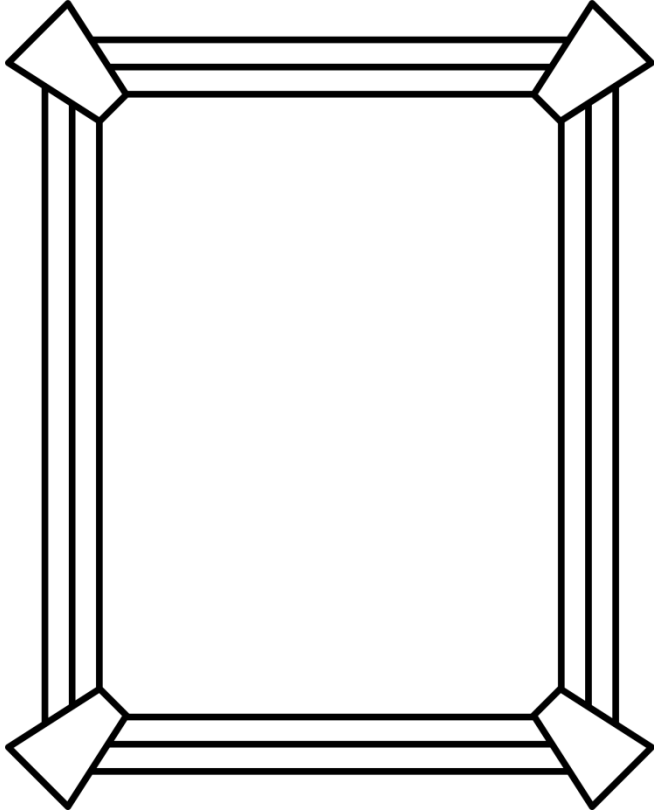
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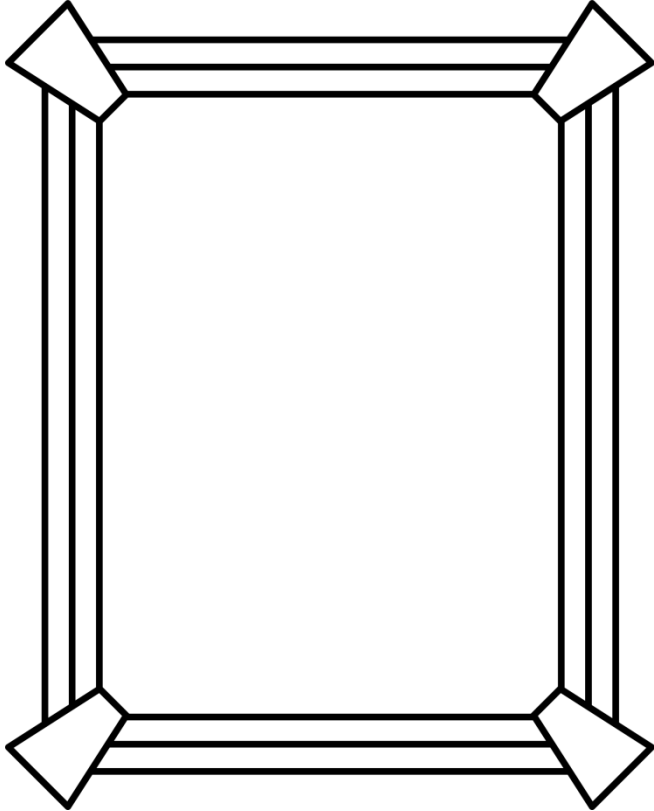
The book I read is:

The author is:

3 facts I learned are:

I read about:

Name: _____



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The author is:

2 facts I learned are:

I read about:

One thing I wonder is:

Name: _____

I read about:



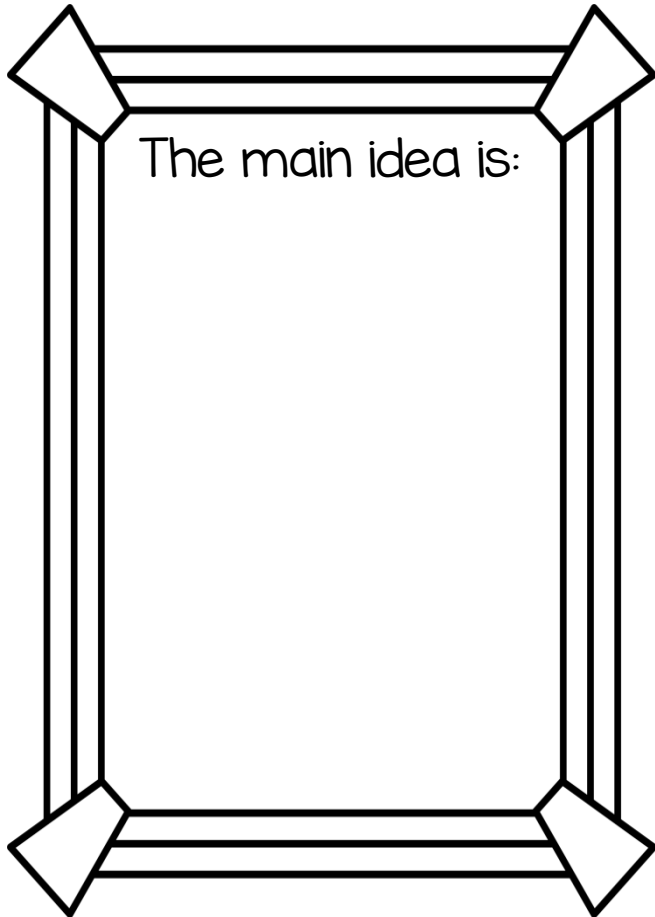
The book I read is:



The author is:



The main idea is:



3 supporting details are:





Name: _____

apples

are

look like

are grown

have





Name: _____

pumpkins

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Name: _____

Apples



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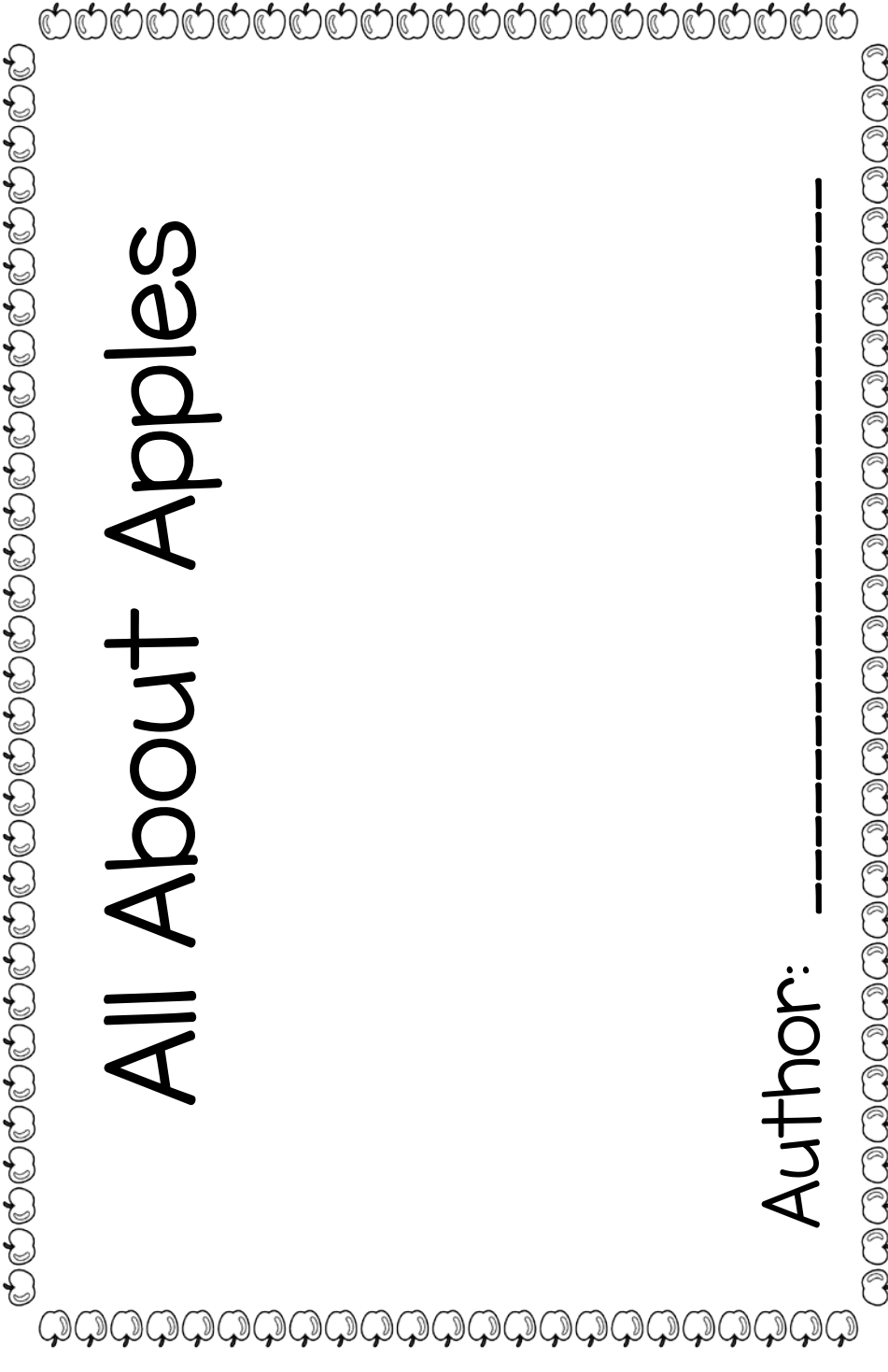
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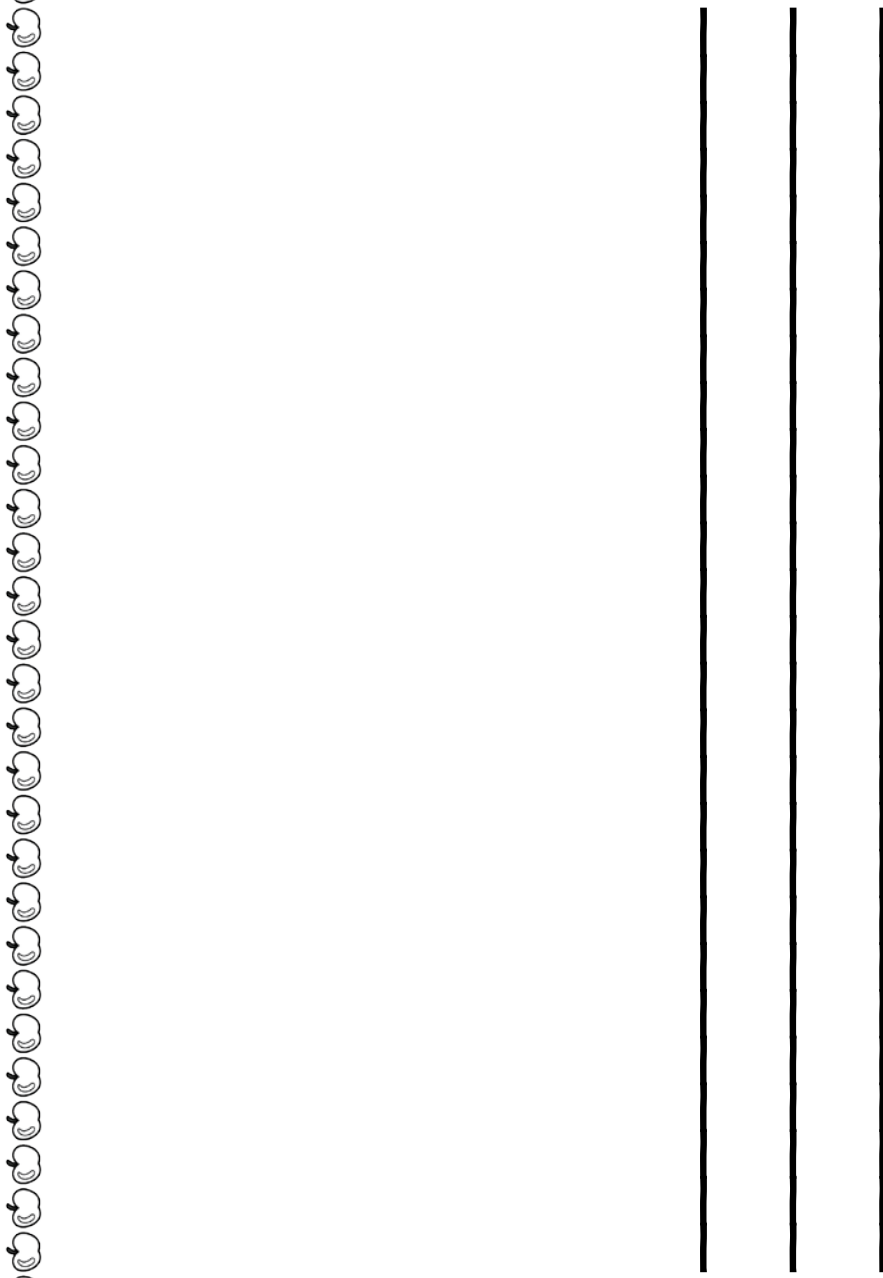
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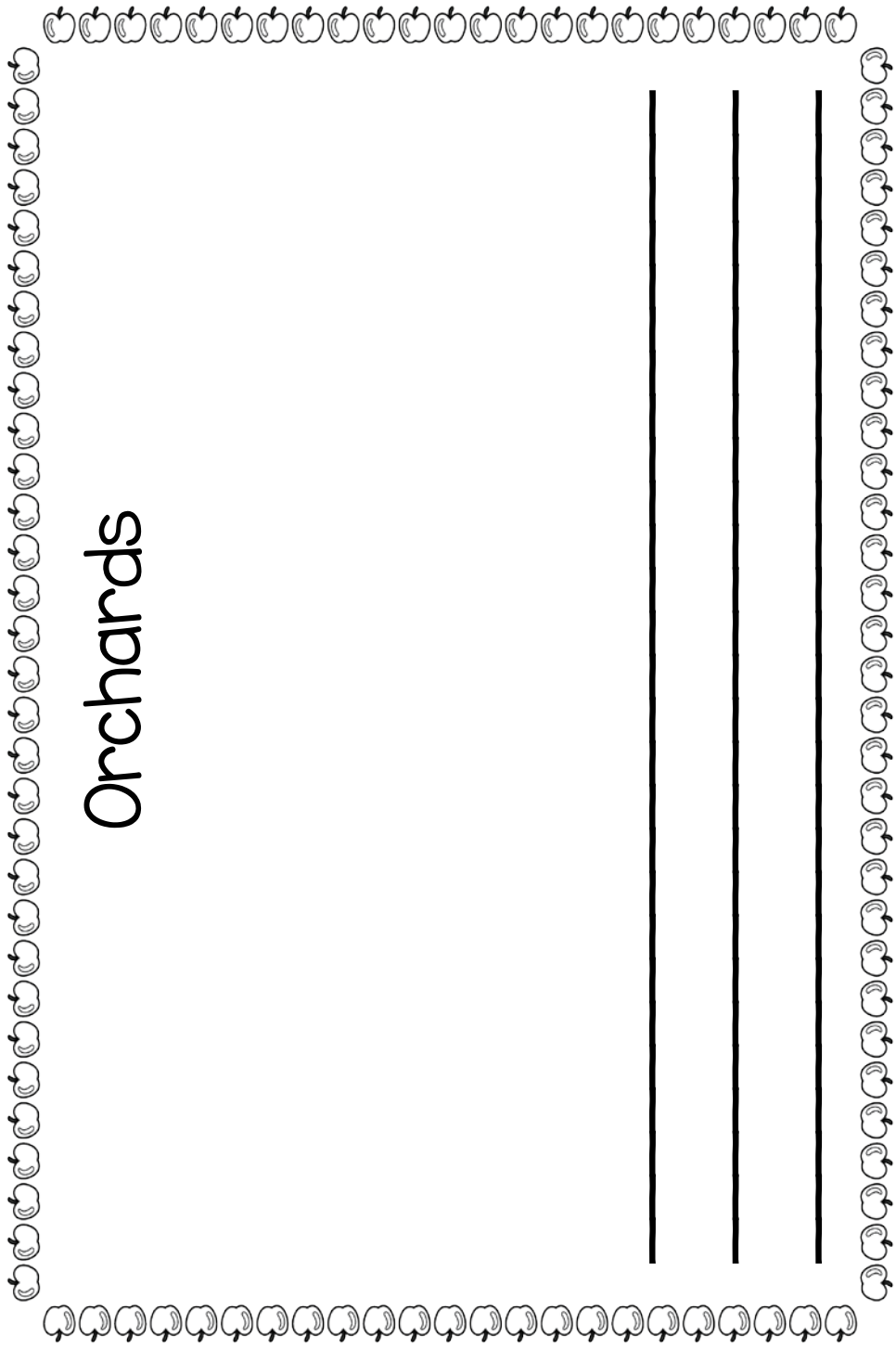




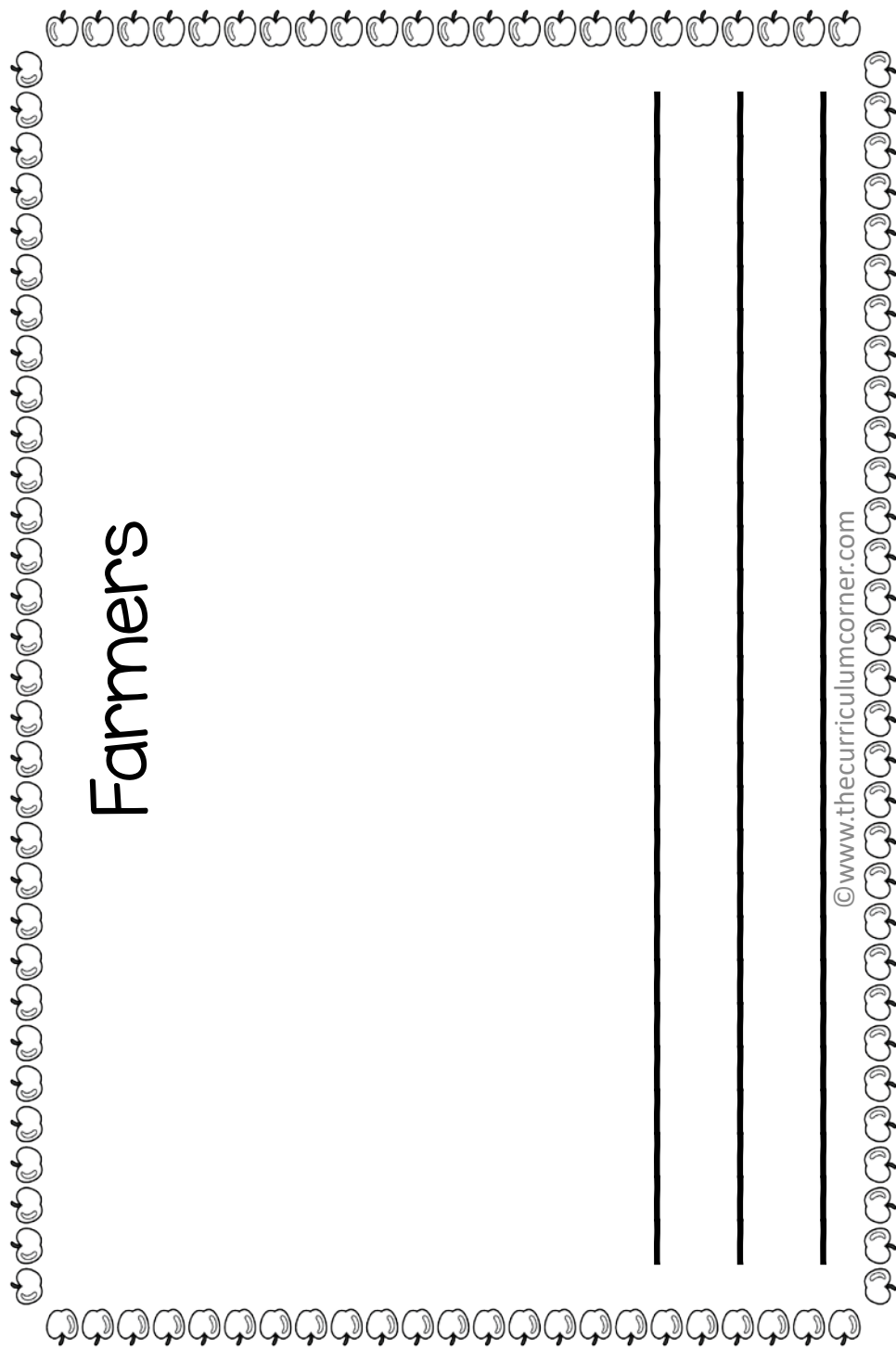
All About Apples

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Orchards



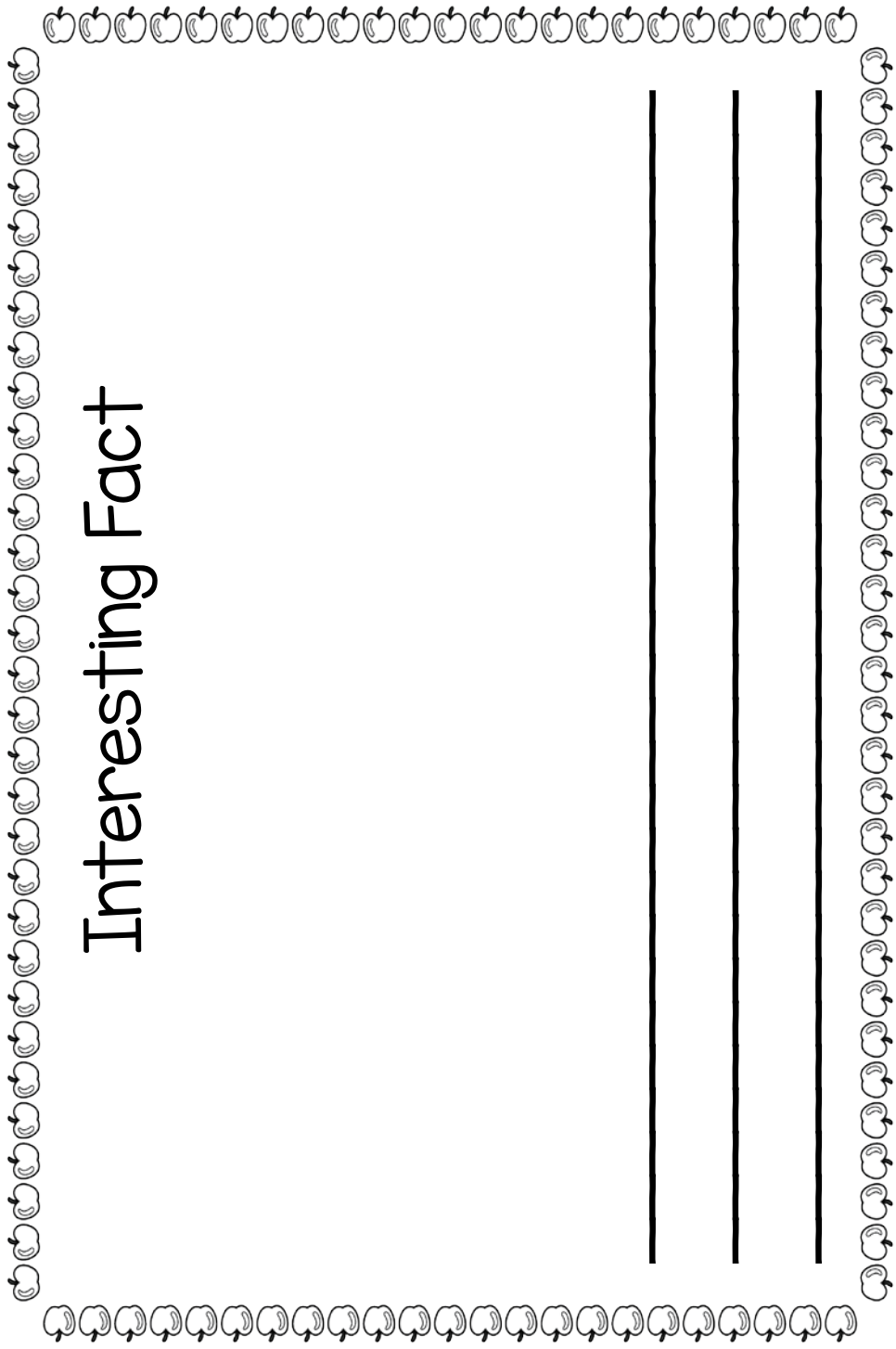
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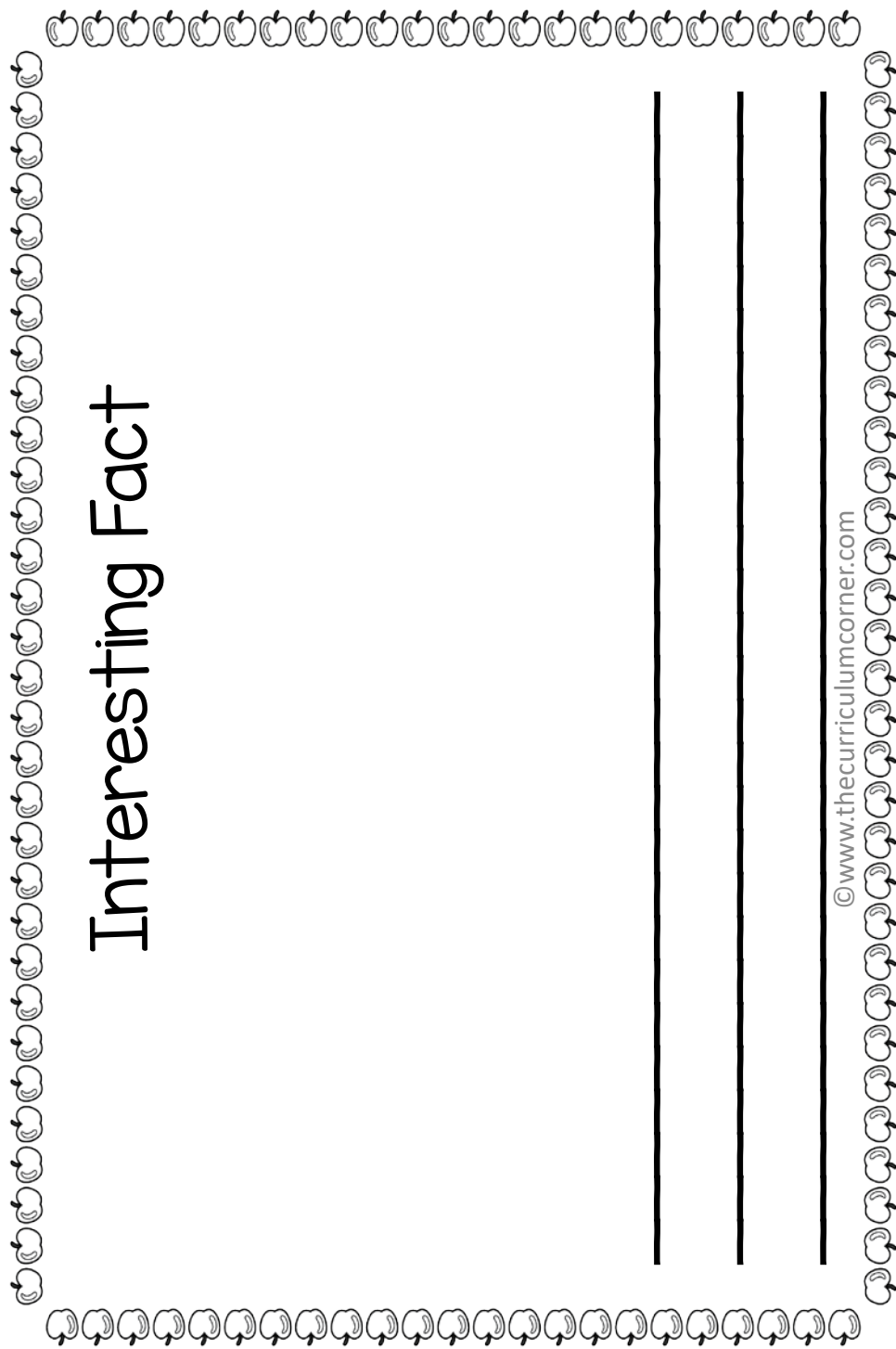
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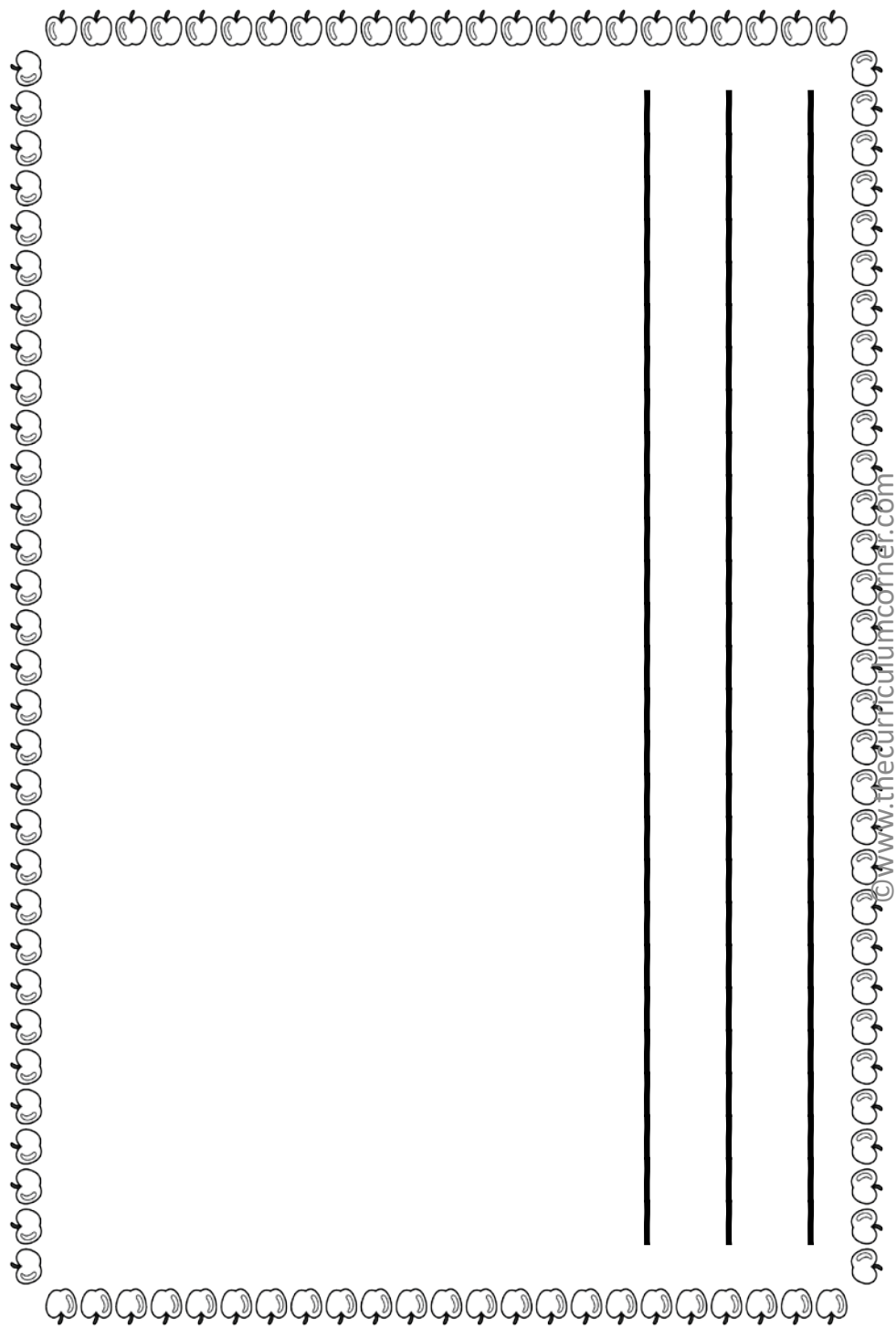
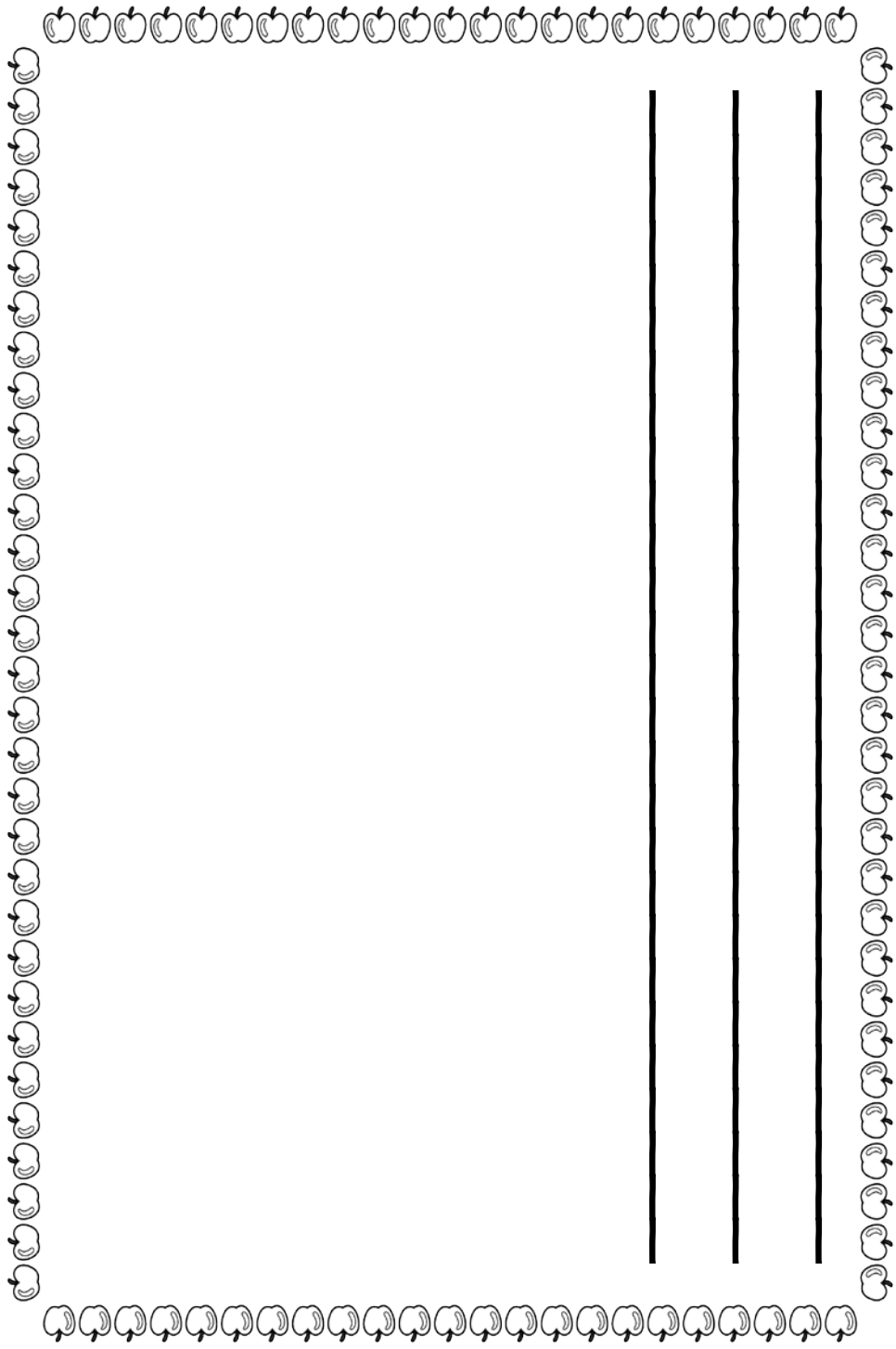
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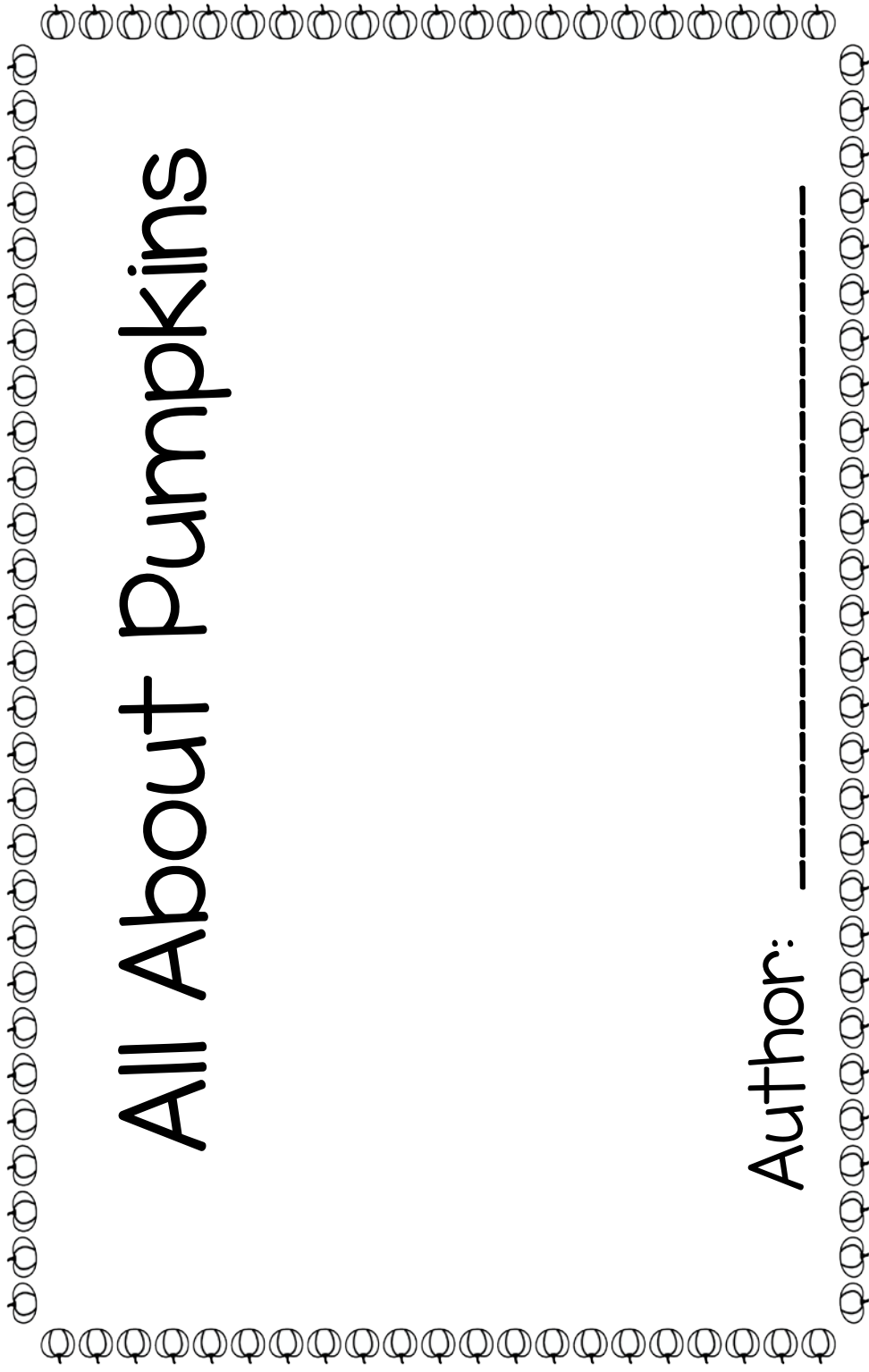


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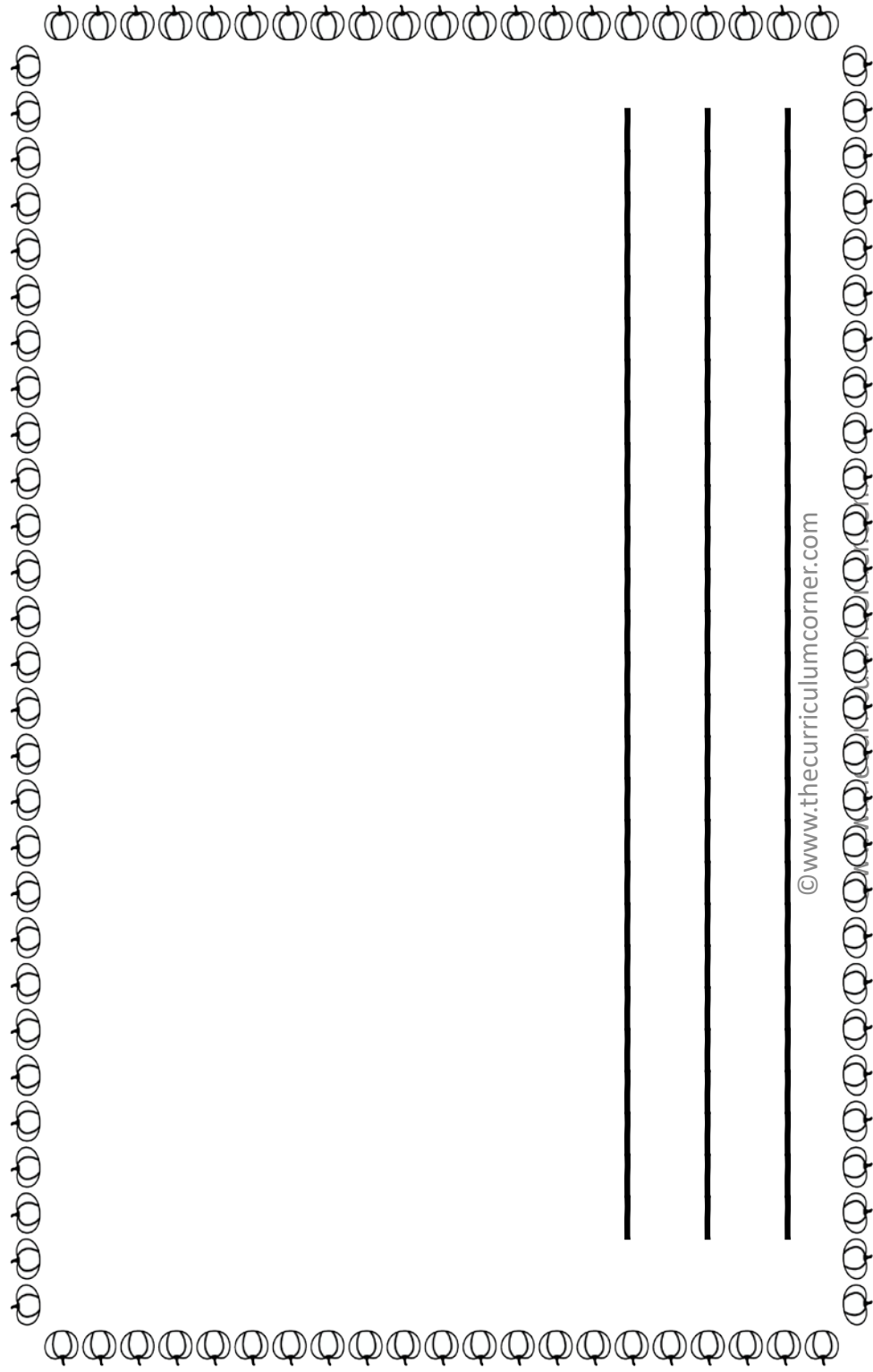
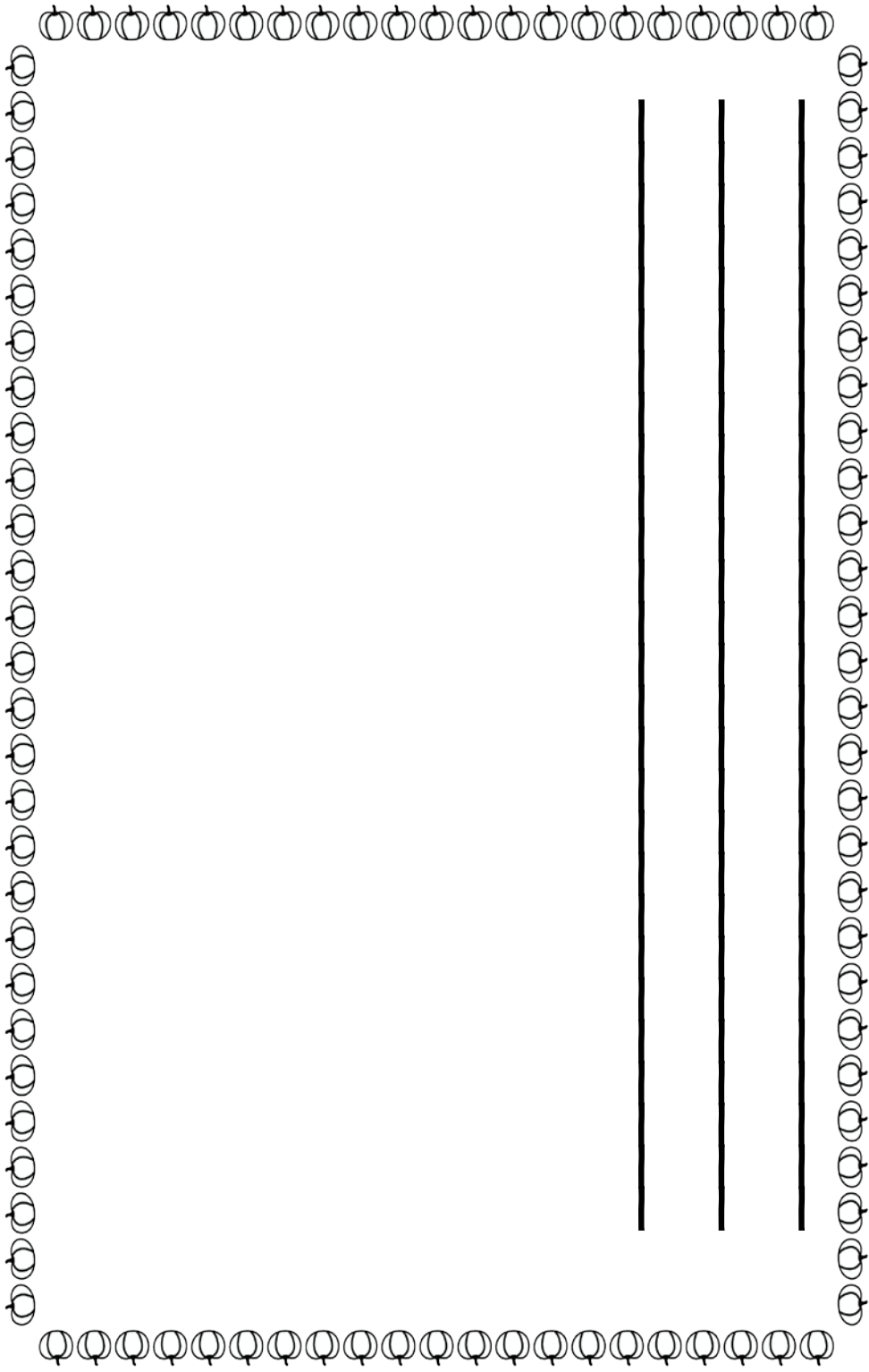
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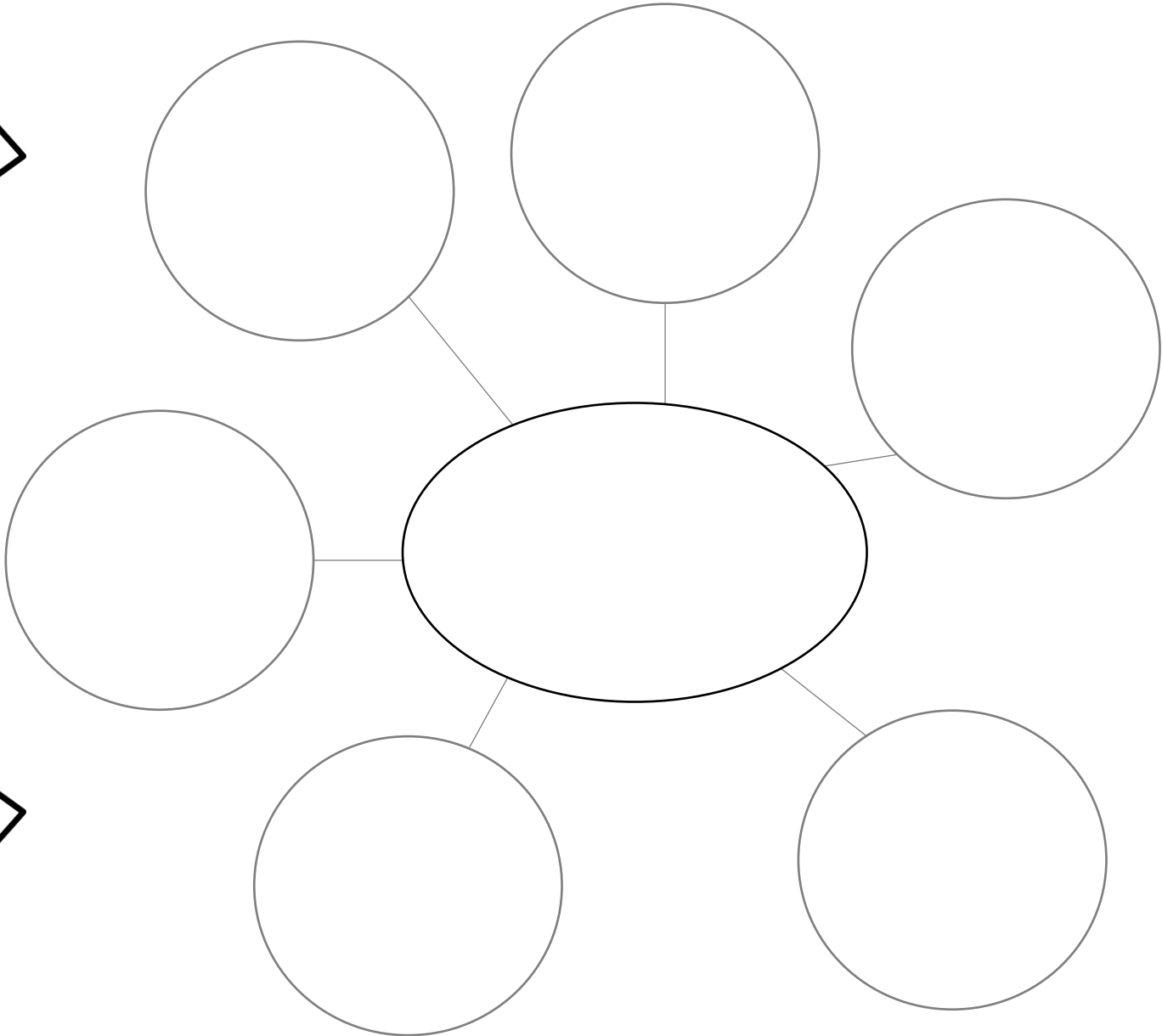
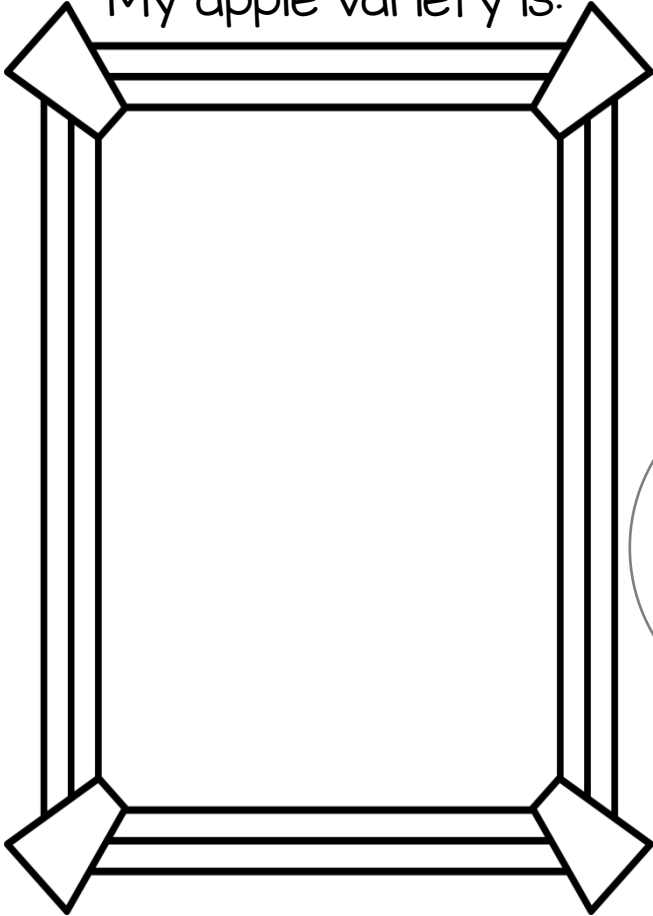


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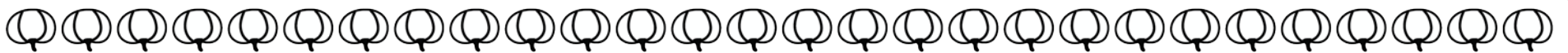
My apple variety is:



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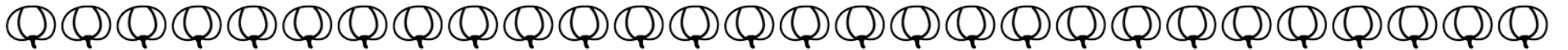
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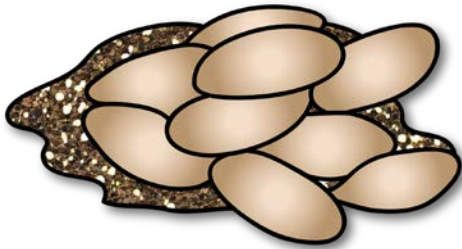






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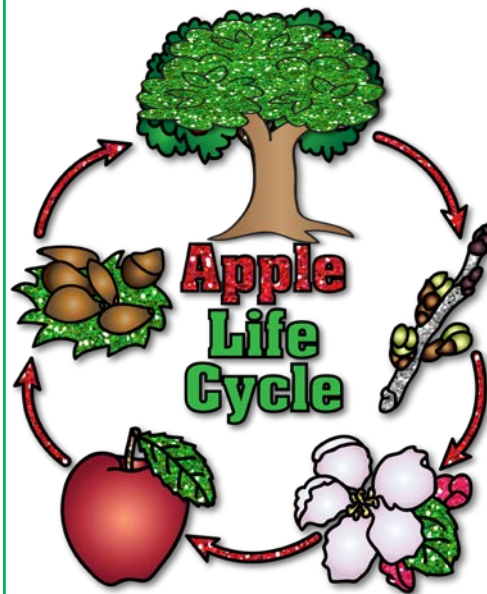
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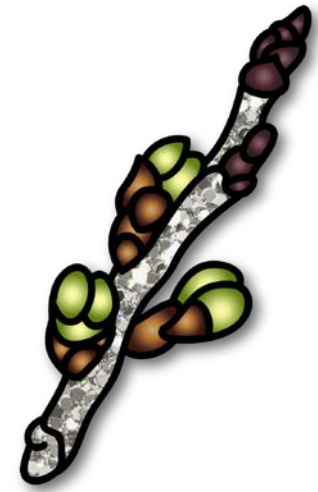
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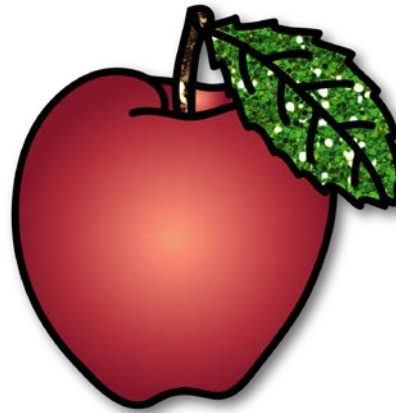
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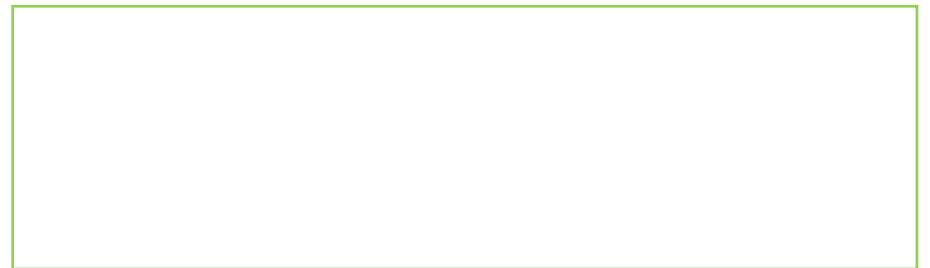
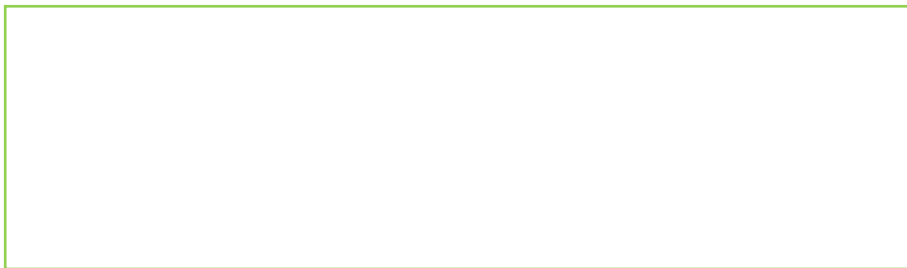
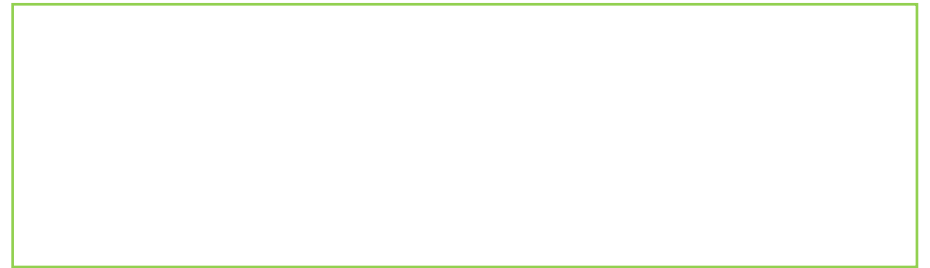
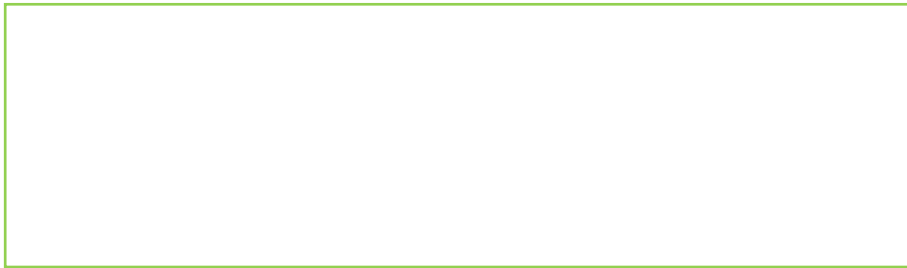
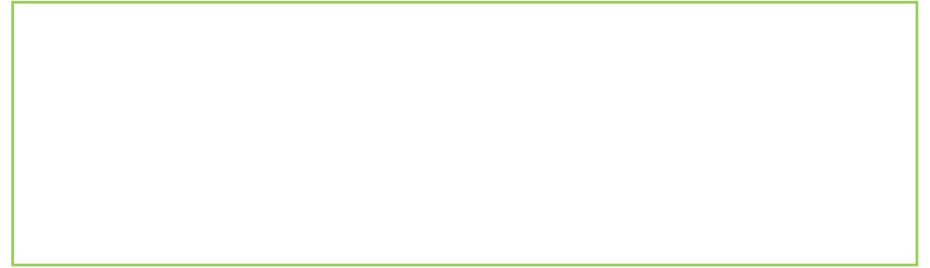
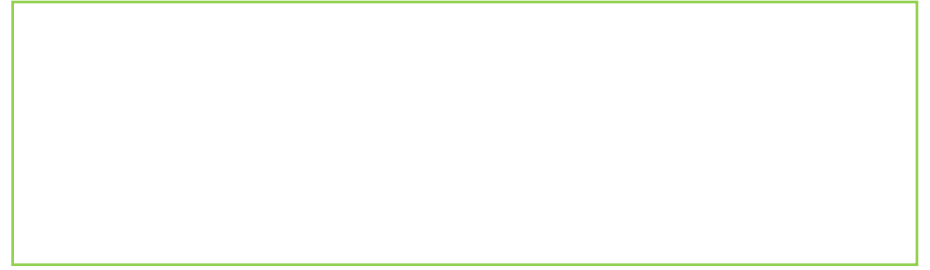
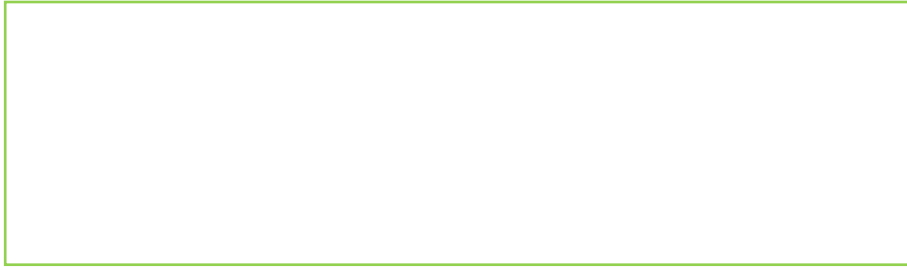
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