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Sarah,
Plain and Tall
Vocabulary

- Read the Vocabulary Words. Then write the Vocabulary Word that matches each definition.

alarmed

windbreak

conch

paddock

rustle

1. a type of seashell _____
2. frightened, scared, or upset _____
3. many soft sounds together _____
4. something that slows down the force of the wind _____
5. an enclosed plot of land in which horses run _____



- Write the Vocabulary Word that best completes each sentence.

6. I listened to the _____ of the leaves when the wind blew.
7. The line of trees served as a _____.
8. Miranda led her pony into the _____.
9. Connor was _____ when he couldn't find his homework.
10. Charlotte admired the curved shape of the _____ and then returned it to the water.



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- Read the paragraph. Then read the questions below. Circle the letter of the best answer to each question.

How can you build a house if you don't have any wood or bricks? In the early 1900s, farmers in Nebraska used hay because it was easy to find. Machines pressed the dried hay and tied it into blocks called *bales*. These bales of hay were each about four feet long and two feet wide. With the help of their neighbors, farmers would stack the bales of hay to make walls. They knew that they could add wooden floors and shingle roofs later, when they might be able to get wood. Hay houses were fairly warm in the winter, but people living in them had to be careful of fire, since hay burns easily.

- 1 Hay houses were _____ forms of shelter.
- A excellent
 - B satisfactory
 - C expensive
 - D useless

 **Tip**

Reread the sentences that tell the good things and the bad things about hay houses. Then draw your conclusion.

- 2 Which information from the story does NOT support your conclusion in question 1?
- F Hay houses were fairly warm in the winter.
 - G People living in hay houses had to be careful, since hay burns easily.
 - H Farmers used hay to build houses in Nebraska in the early 1900s.
 - J People knew that they could add wooden floors and shingle roofs later.

 **Tip**

Choose the sentence that does NOT help you draw a conclusion.

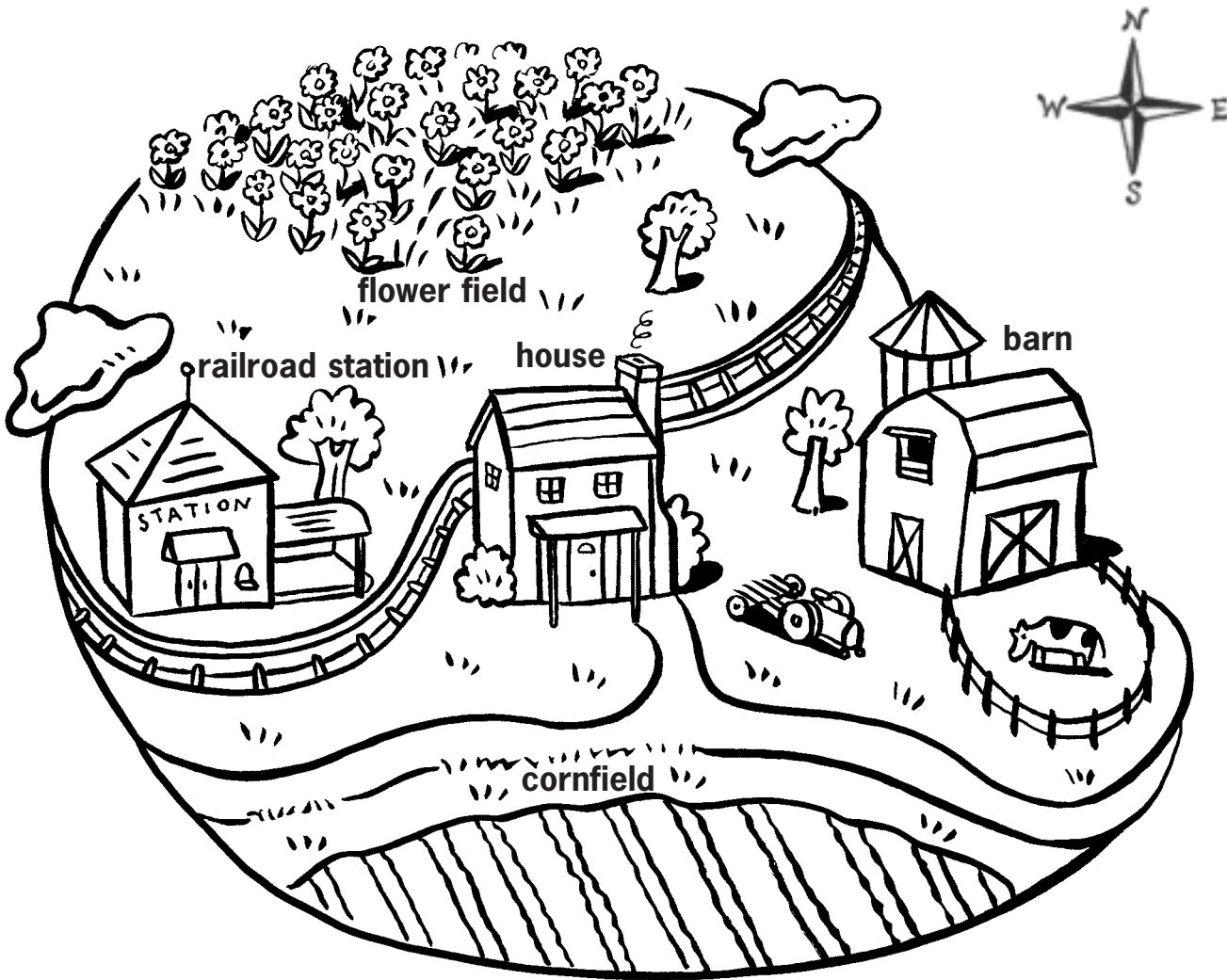


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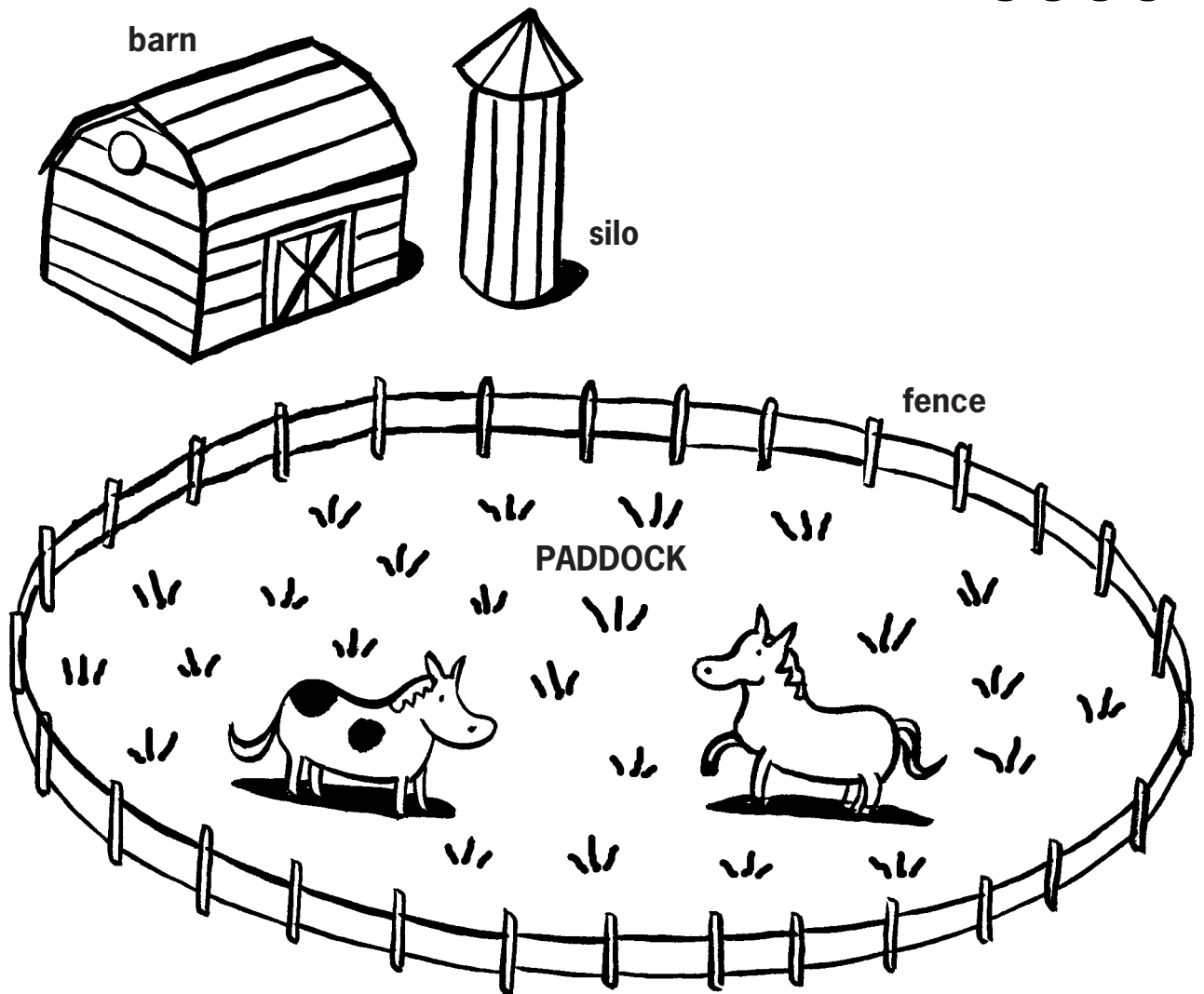
Graphic Aids

- Study the map and diagram. Then answer the questions using the information from the map and the diagram.



1. If you left the house and walked west, would you arrive at the barn or the railroad station? _____
2. If you walked north from the house, would you be going toward the flower field or the cornfield? _____
3. If you left the house and walked south, would you find yourself in the flower field or in the cornfield? _____

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4. What do you call the tall building next to the barn? _____

5. What do you call the fenced-in area of grass where the horses run?

6. Where would the horses go to escape a rainstorm?

