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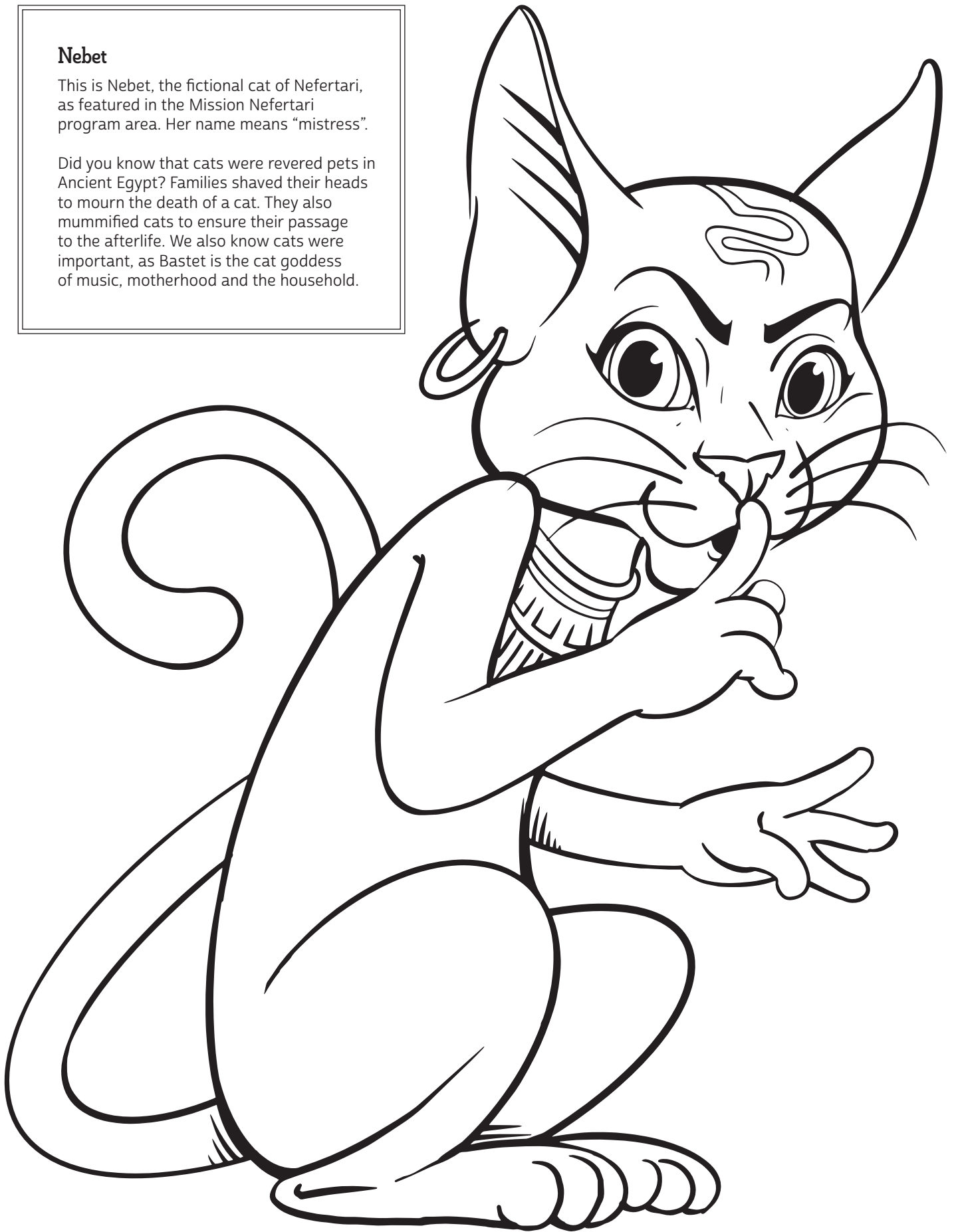
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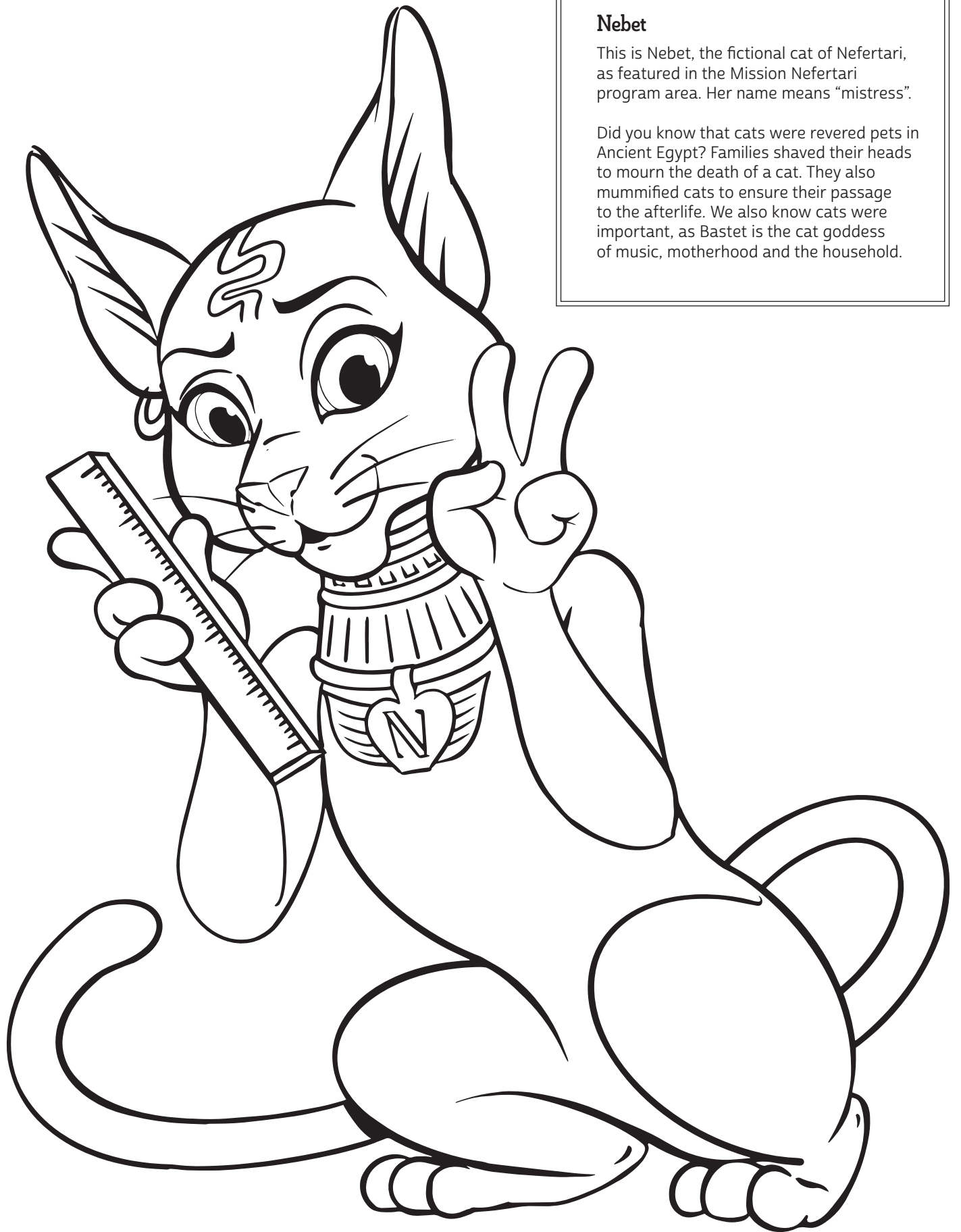
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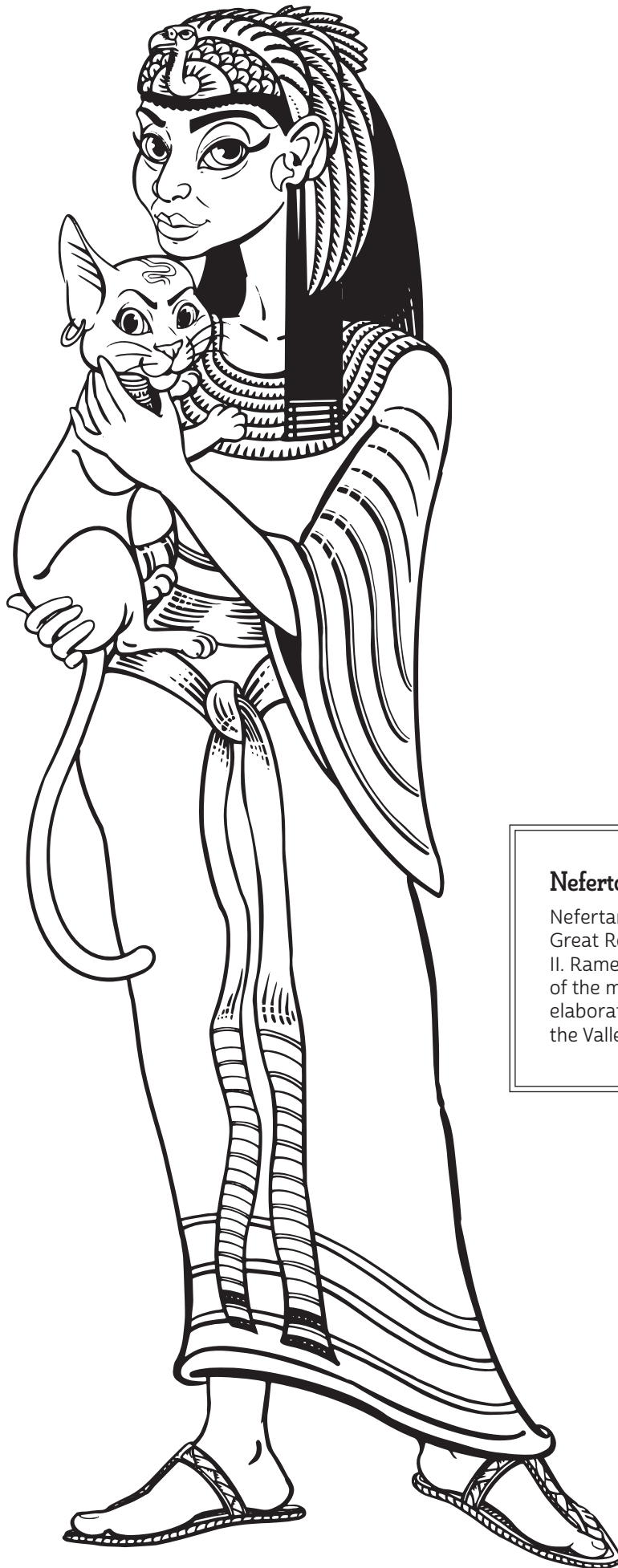




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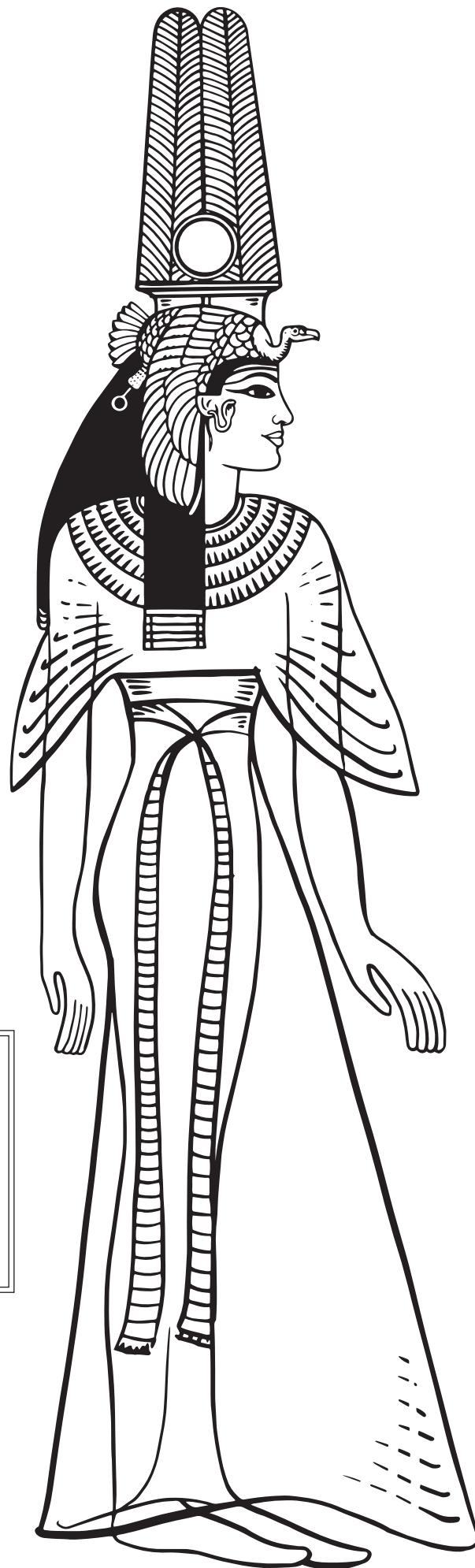
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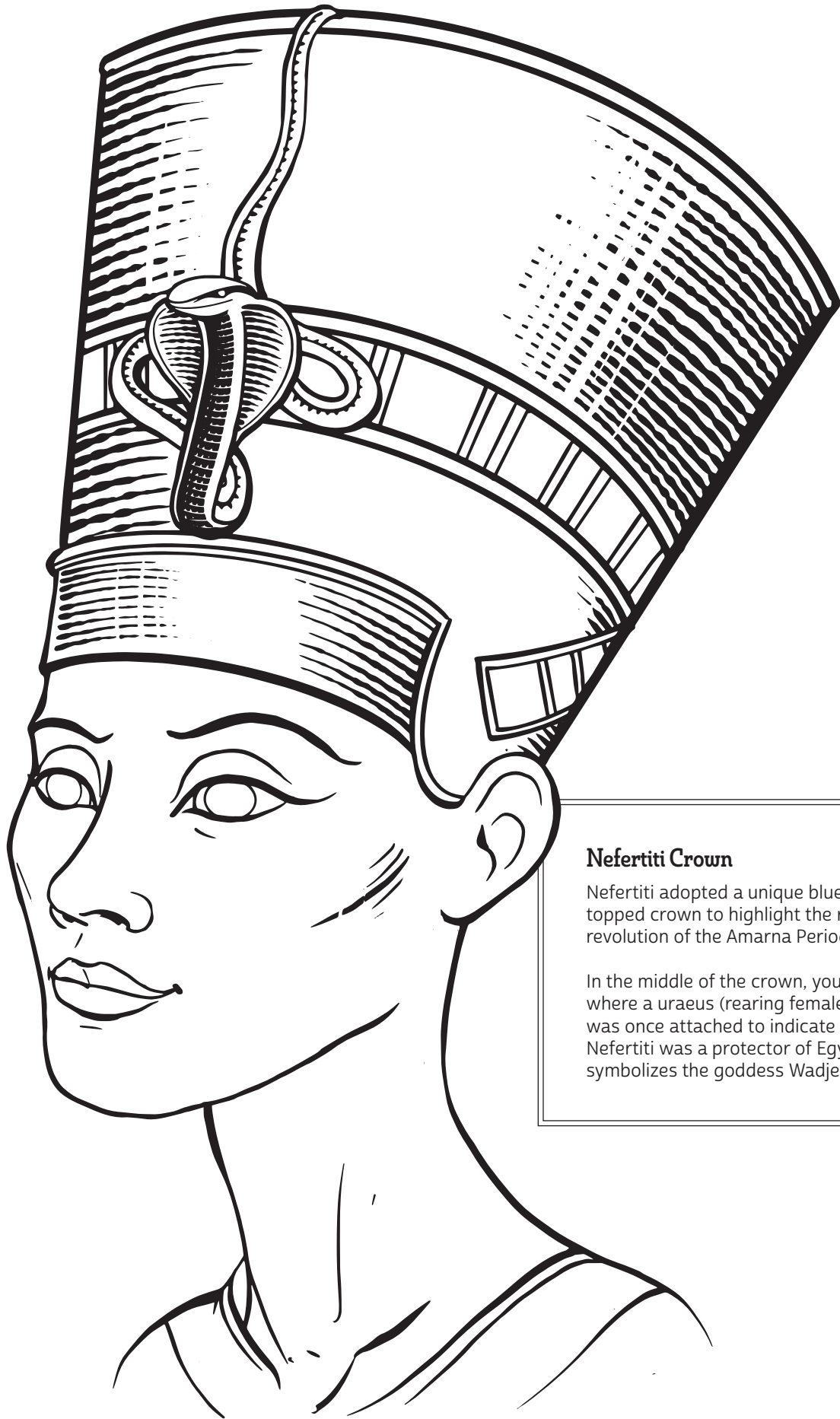
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### **Nefertiti Crown**

Nefertiti adopted a unique blue flat-topped crown to highlight the religious revolution of the Amarna Period.

In the middle of the crown, you can see where a uraeus (rearing female cobra) was once attached to indicate that Nefertiti was a protector of Egypt and symbolizes the goddess Wadjet.

### **Nefertari's Crown**

Nefertari is wearing the vulture headdress with a crown symbolizing the goddess Hathor. The vulture headdress shows that she was the queen mother and symbolizes the goddess Nekhbet.

The Hathor crown consists of two feathers and a sun disc between two horns, to symbolize the goddess's cow form. In this form, Hathor is associated with motherhood and has the ability to provide milk to children as a source of life.





### **Hatshepsut Crown**

Hatshepsut is wearing a false beard and the nemes, a blue-and-gold striped headcloth that symbolizes the cycle of day and night. These items of regalia were worn only by pharaohs.

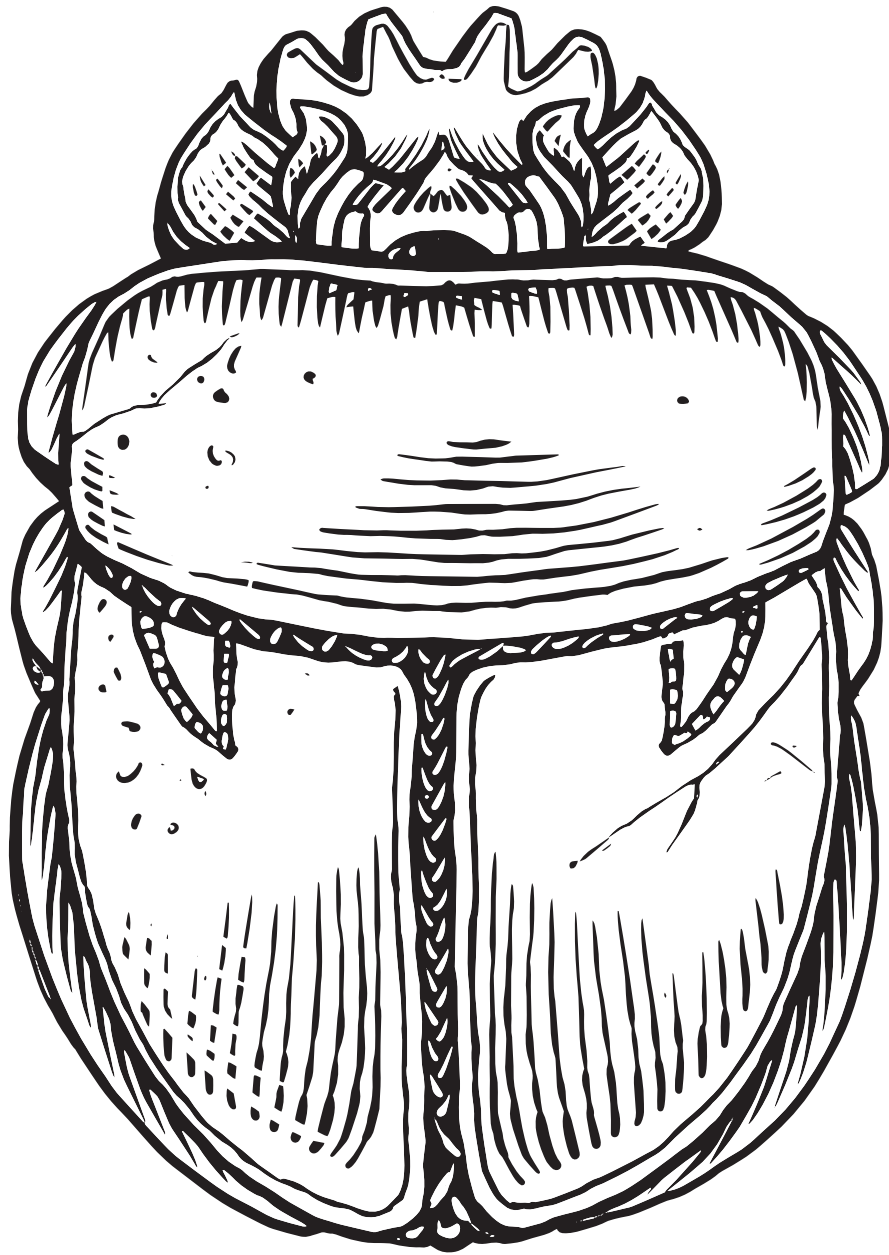
The uraeus (rearing female cobra) at the top of the nemes was worn by pharaohs and queens to show that they were ready to strike to protect Egypt.





### **Wadjet Eye**

The Eye of Horus, or Wedjet eye amulet, was one of the most popular amulets worn in Ancient Egypt. It offered protection from harm. Horus was the god of kingship and the sky and was viewed as the protector Egypt's ruler.



### **Scarab Beetle**

The scarab beetle was the most important Egyptian amulet, worn to offer the protection of the god of creation Khepri-re. It represented new beginnings and served as an earthly symbol of the heavenly cycle.