

## Wolf



Photographed in Northern Taylor County

Wolves have been seen throughout Taylor County. We have not seen them in the Kuse Nature Preserve.

- Examine field guides to learn about likenesses and differences among various types of wolves. (Eastern Timber, Northern Rocky Mountain, Mexican, Indian, Red, Golden, Black, Gray, Prairie, etc.)
- Learn vocabulary words, such as pup, cow, litter, pack, predator, and carnivorous, and determine how such words might apply specifically to wolves as compared to other kinds of animals.
- Examine what has been done to wolves in United States history. Sometimes they have been a threat to livestock. Humans shot, poisoned, and dug them out. Today they are collared with radio transmitters and studied. Learn about the history of wolves in this country.
- Map skills –Obtain DNR maps to show past and current locations of wolves. How do these locations relate to the area where you live or travel?

- Examine photographs and paintings of wolves. Learn about the important positive roles they play in keeping a balance in nature.

- A number of stories feature wolves. Many of these create the image of “the big bad wolf” and contribute to a fear of wolves.

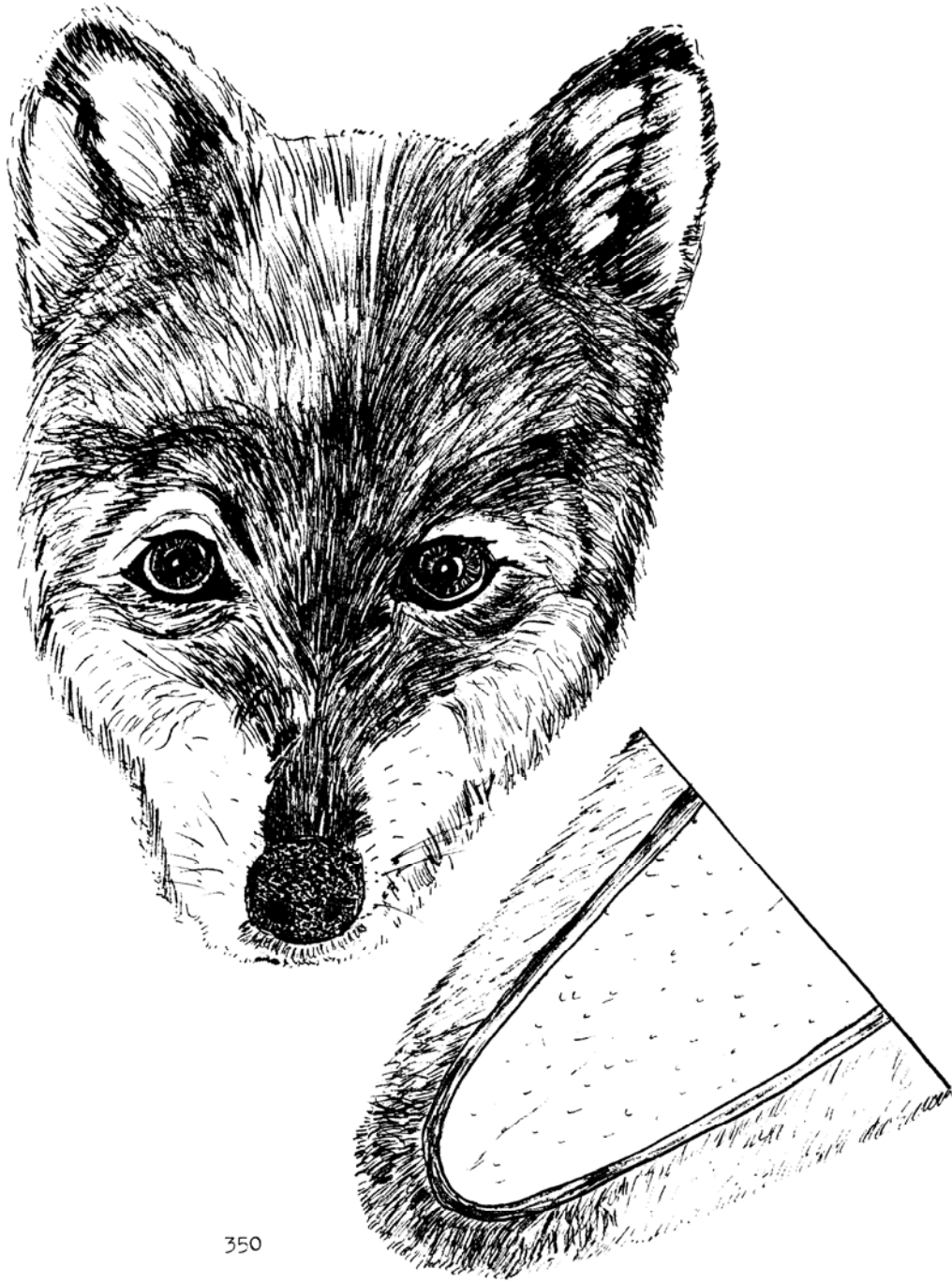
  - Red Riding Hood

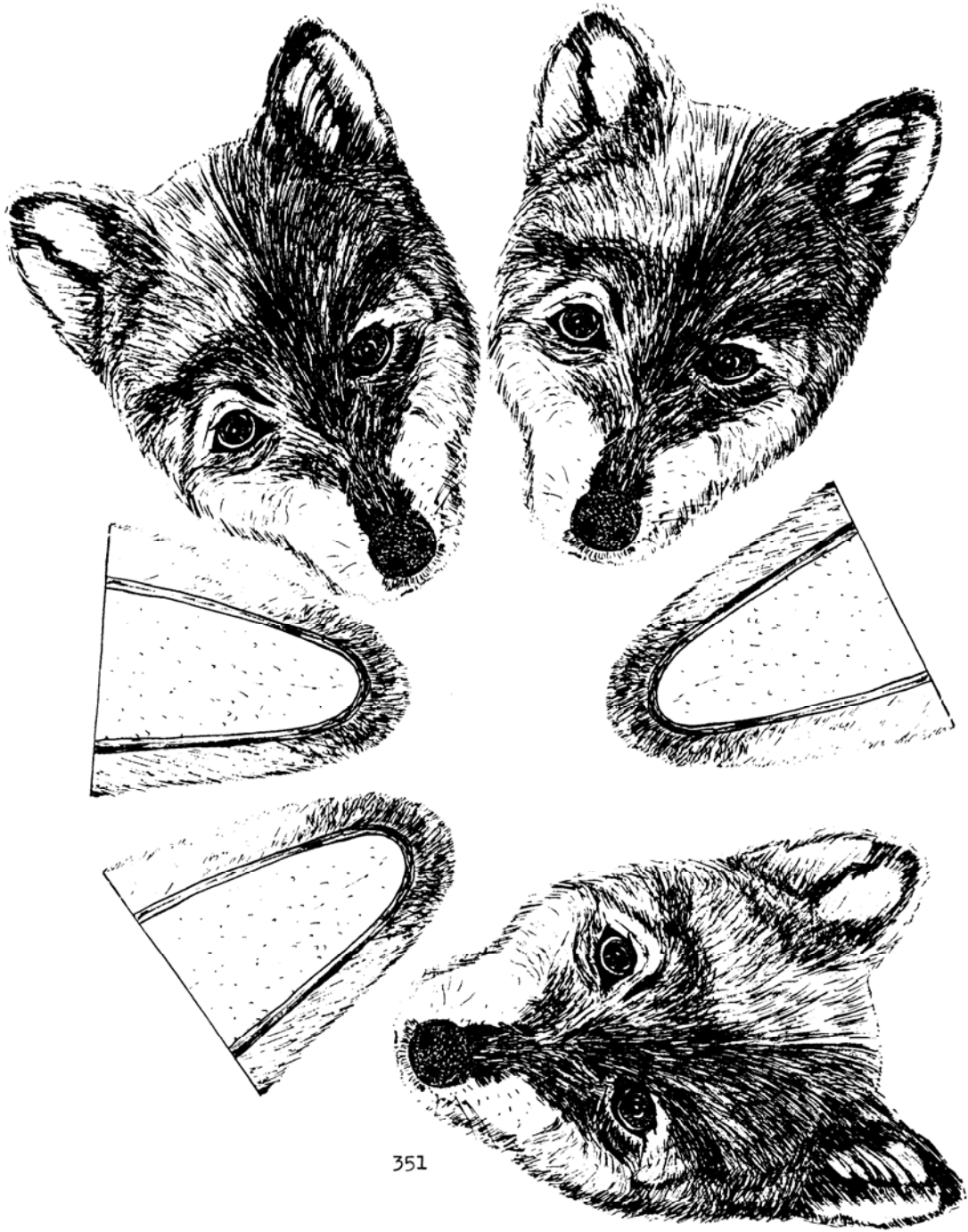
  - The Three Pigs

  - The Wolf and the Goat and Seven Kids

Compare the fiction tales with realistic non-fiction books and articles about North American wolves.

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