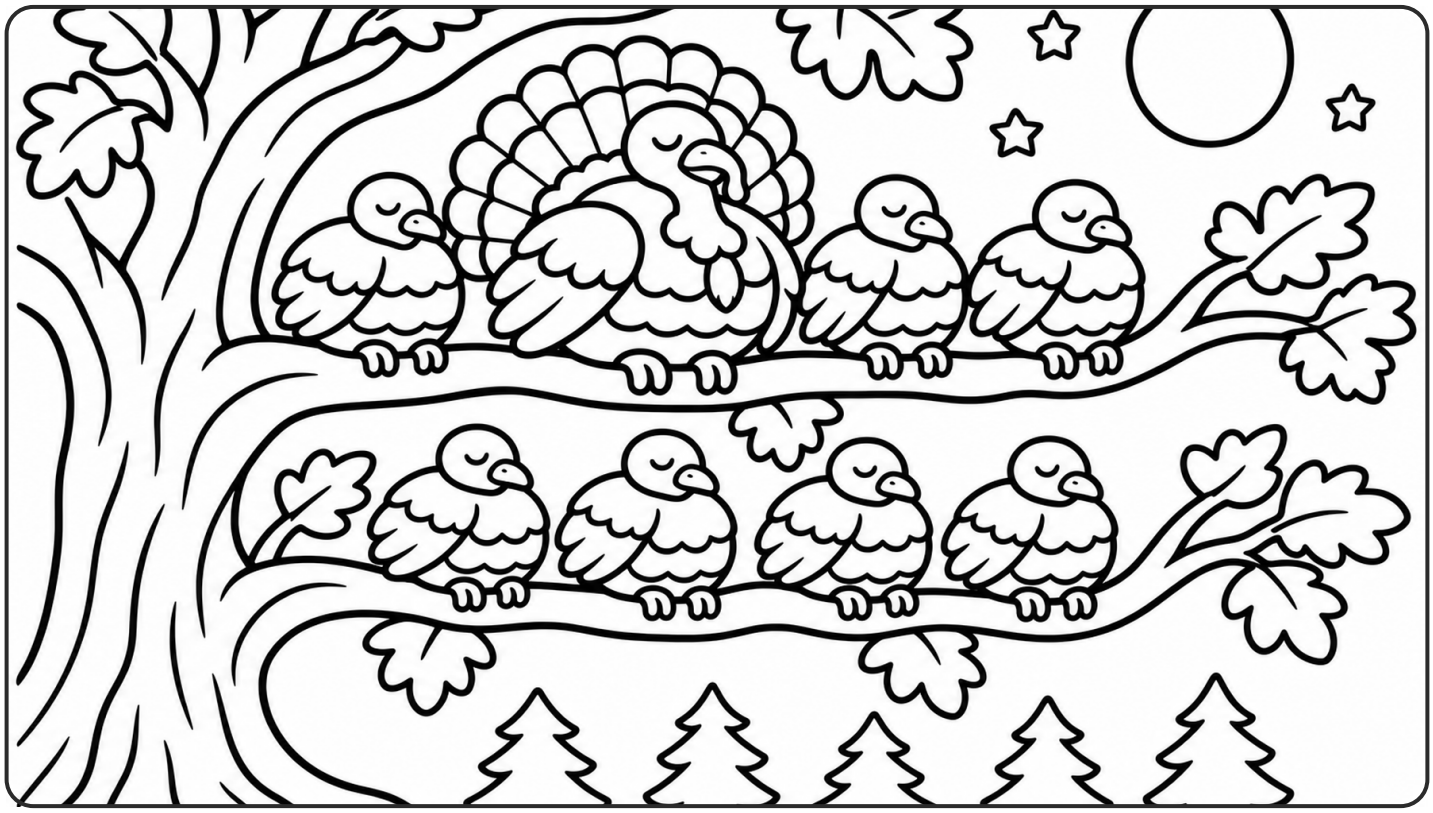
How do turkeys sleep?

Whoa, a turkey in a tree? How do turkeys sleep?



Why?

1. **Up high is a safe place to sleep.**
   When the sun goes down, it gets dark, and turkeys can't see well in the dark. But foxes and coyotes walk around at night. So where is a safe place to sleep? Up high, in a tree!
2. **At sunset, turkeys fly up into a tree.**
   They flap their big wings and fly up. First they land on a low branch. Then they hop up, branch by branch, to a high spot.
3. **The whole flock sleeps in the same tree.**
   Turkeys like the biggest, tallest trees, with strong branches. Often the whole flock sleeps in the same tree, lined up on the branches. Good night!

Try it! Find a turkey bed

You need: a walk outside, some big trees

1. Next time you go outside, look up at the trees.
2. Look for a big, strong branch.
3. Could a turkey sleep there?

What happened? Turkeys like the biggest, tallest trees, with strong branches.

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