

colors

my mother
in her 90s
loves coloring books

she has 20 or more
colored pencils
near where she sits

right now she's
working on one
with all the States

state outline
flower and bird
flag
emblem
and motto
state things to make each
state different

I can see and hear
the history

can hear them
arguing in their
legislatures
and then voting
to make one choice
a fact

she likes
the information
about each state
at the bottom
of the page

she says
the State Coloring Book
is a wonderful idea

she likes to learn
the images to color
have to be
complex enough
or she'll get bored
and look for another
coloring book
and she likes
coloring books
that teach her
her next coloring book
is about a Caribbean Reef
with lots of fishes
and facts about each
we hope she'll like it

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