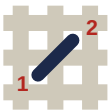
Nursery animal alphabet rug

Needlepoint pattern | 268 x 308 stitches | 26.8 x 30.8 in (68.1 x 78.2 cm) on 10 mesh | 24 colors



How to read the chart



1. Each square is one tent stitch, up at 1, down at 2: basketweave for the background, continental for lines.
2. Bind the edges. Cut 18 in of thread; start and end it without a knot left behind.
3. Mark the middle of the canvas. It is the outlined square on page 7 (DMC ECRU): start there. Count threads, not holes.
4. Picture first, then border, background last. Gray squares are on two pages: stitch them once.
5. A heavier line stands every ten squares: count by them.
6. When it is done, block it square.

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You will need

Canvas: blank mono canvas, 10 mesh (10 threads to the inch), cut 30.8 x 34.8 in (78.2 x 88.4 cm).

Needle: tapestry, size 16 or 18. Also masking tape for the cut edges, and small scissors.

Thread: pearl cotton size 3, 2 strands in the needle, about 137 skeins in all (an estimate).

Make it a rug: strong thread for the hem, and a lining of heavy cotton if you want one. The bare canvas all round is folded under. How to make a rug.

Thread list, DMC

			stitches	skeins
●	ECRU	Ecru	20,432	31
■	819	Light Baby Pink	11,970	18
▲	3823	Ultra Pale Yellow	10,947	17
◆	775	Very Light Baby Blue	10,520	16
▼	801	Dark Coffee Brown	2,401	4
★	3731	Very Dark Dusty Rose	2,029	4
❖	3326	Light Rose	1,826	3
X	3810	Dark Turquoise	1,650	3
O	3822	Light Straw	1,600	3
+	3755	Baby Blue	1,573	3
=	3766	Light Peacock Blue	1,553	3
Z	BLANC	White	1,548	3
A	783	Medium Topaz	1,443	3
V	562	Medium Jade	1,437	3
T	434	Light Brown	1,425	3
N	564	Very Light Jade	1,406	3
S	413	Dark Pewter Gray	1,396	3
K	210	Medium Lavender	1,281	2
E	553	Violet	1,267	2
C	318	Light Steel Gray	1,098	2
P	322	Dark Baby Blue	1,065	2
U	3371	Black Brown	1,045	2
L	3853	Dark Autumn Gold	929	2
2	437	Light Tan	703	2

Skeins are estimates: the thread a stitch takes on the front and back of 10 mesh canvas, plus 30 percent, rounded up for each color.

Thread colors are approximate screen matches to DMC numbers. Check against real thread before you buy.

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Chart 1 of 12: columns 1 to 67, rows 1 to 104

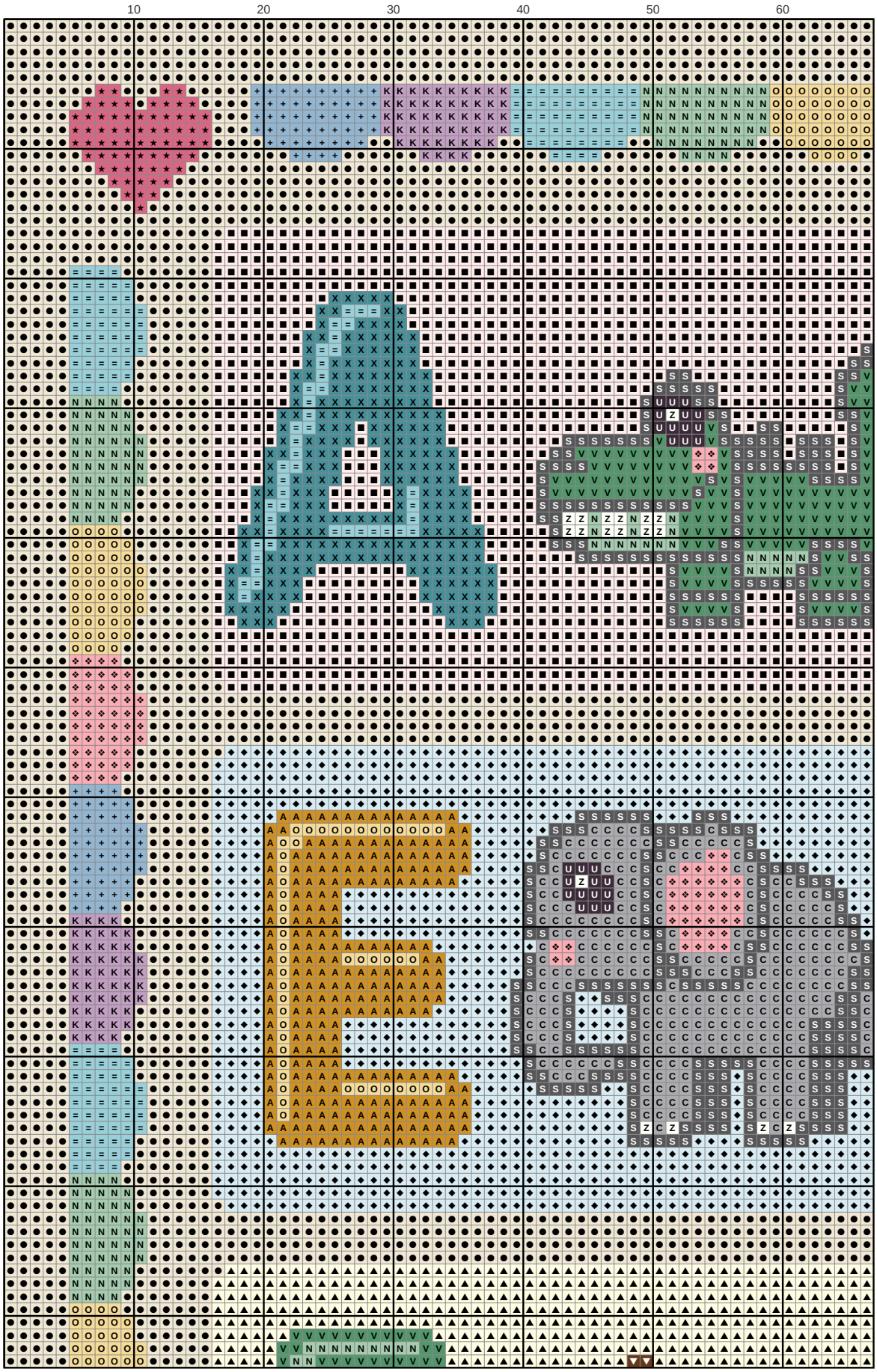

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Chart 2 of 12: columns 68 to 134, rows 1 to 104. Gray squares repeat columns 66 and 67: do not stitch them twice

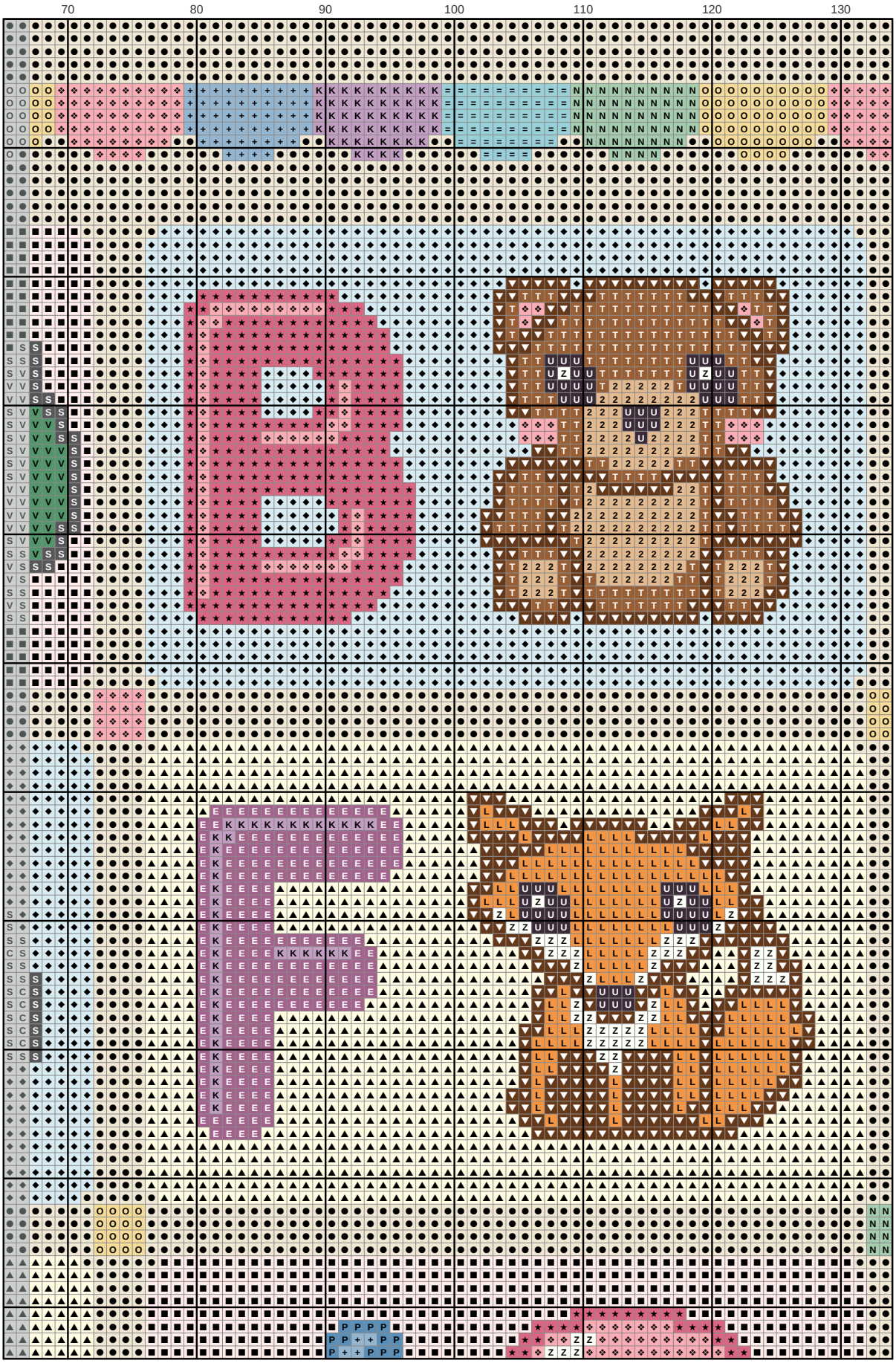

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Chart 3 of 12: columns 135 to 201, rows 1 to 104. Gray squares repeat columns 133 and 134: do not stitch them twice



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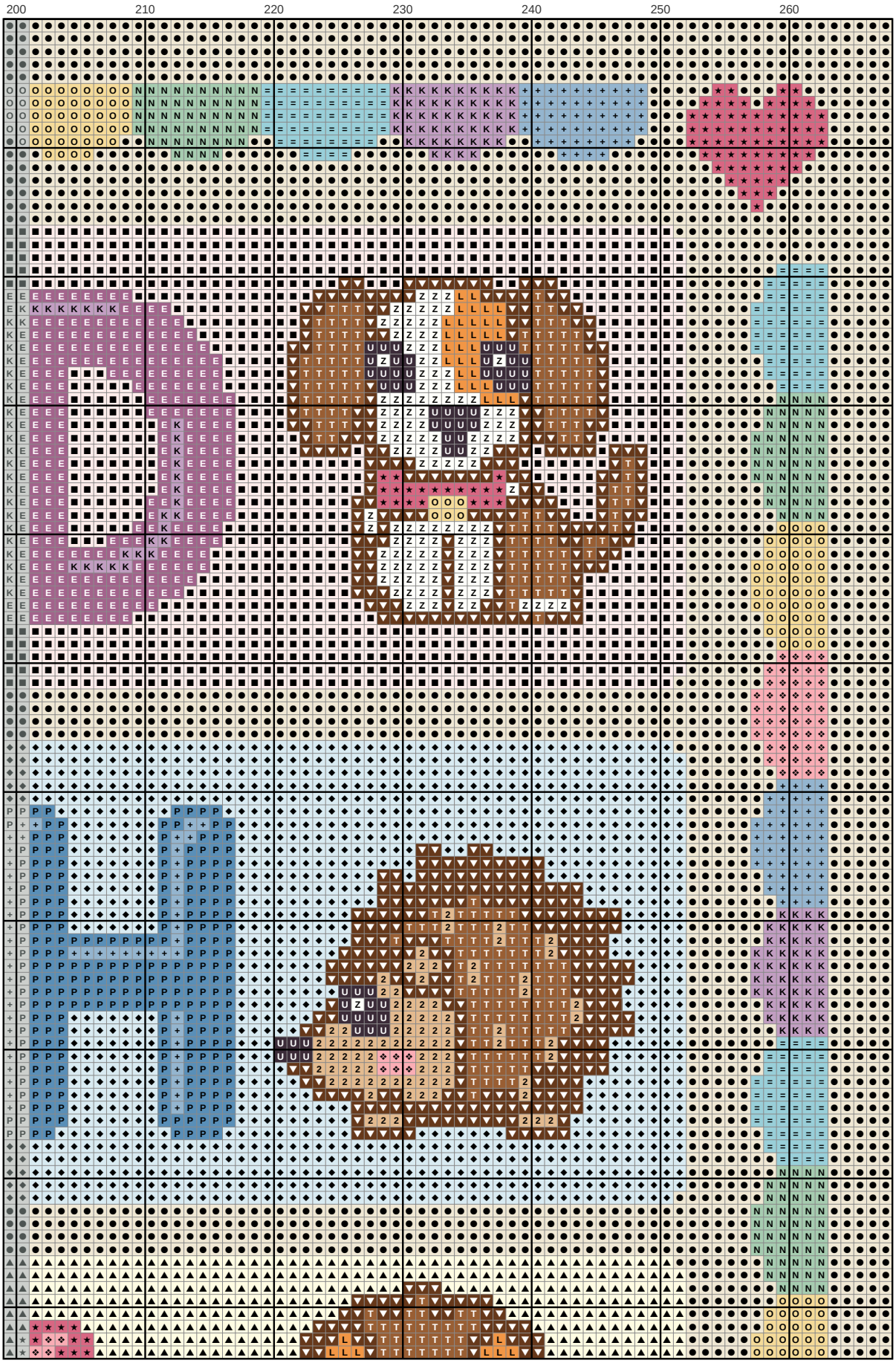

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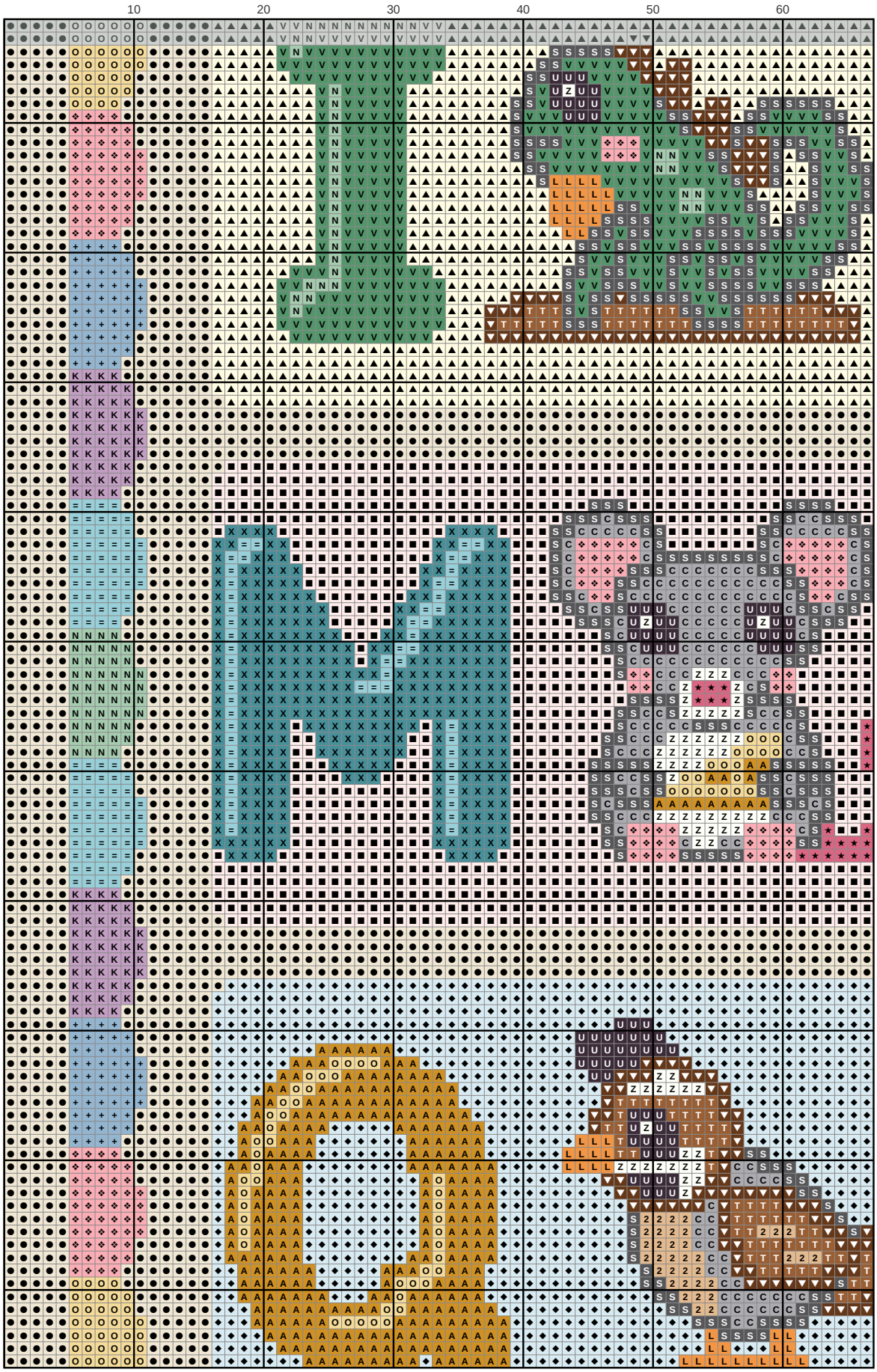

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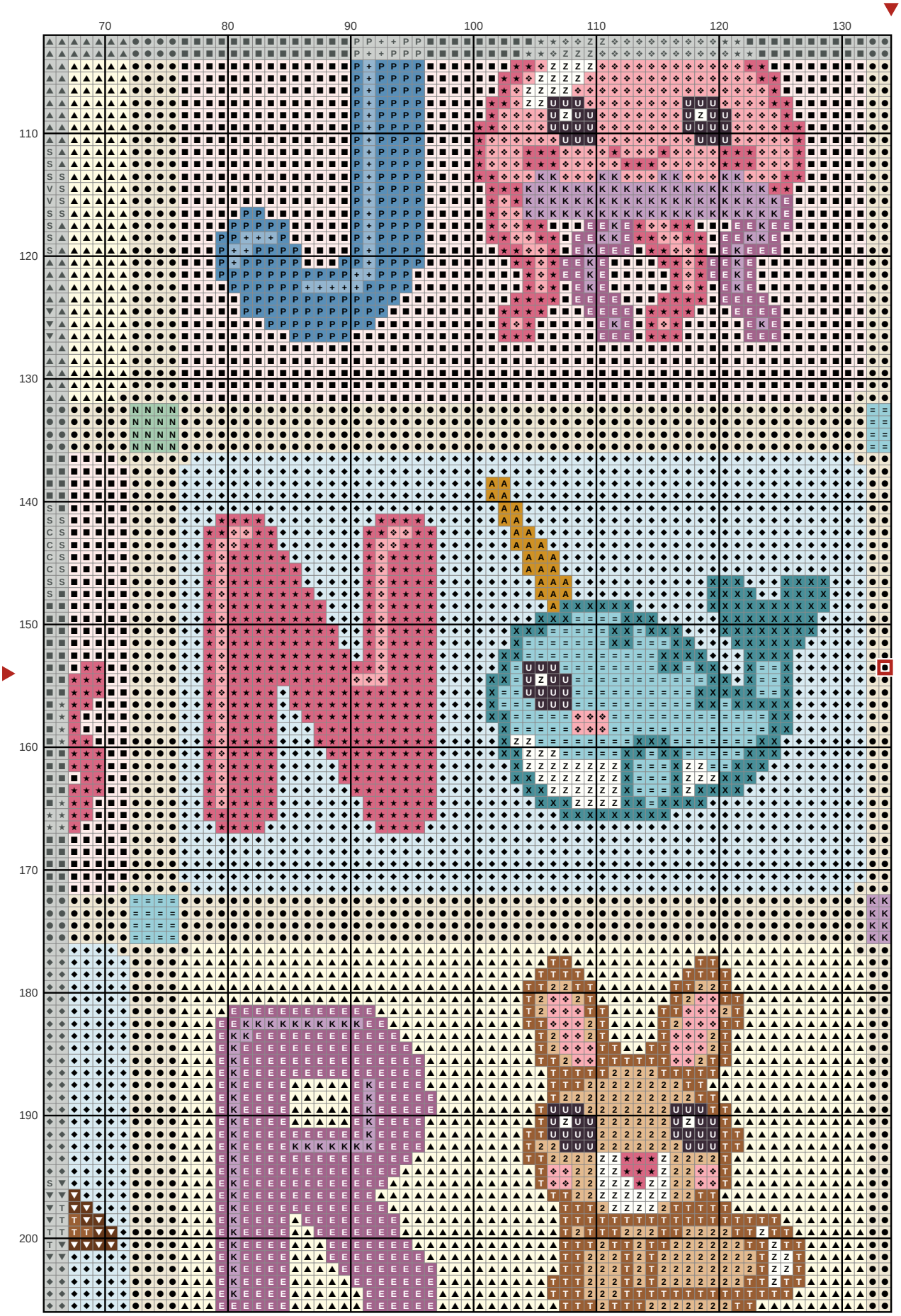

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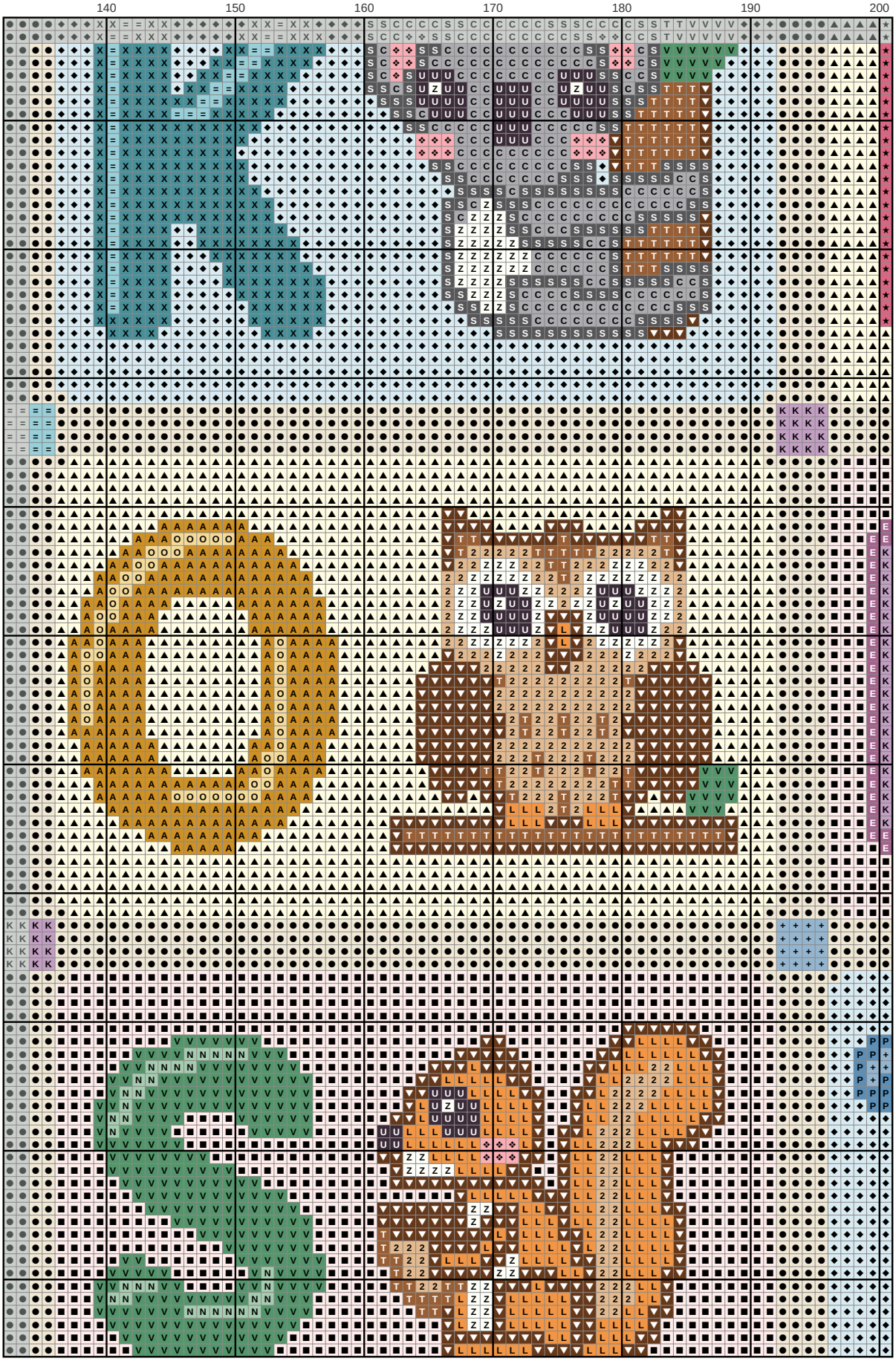

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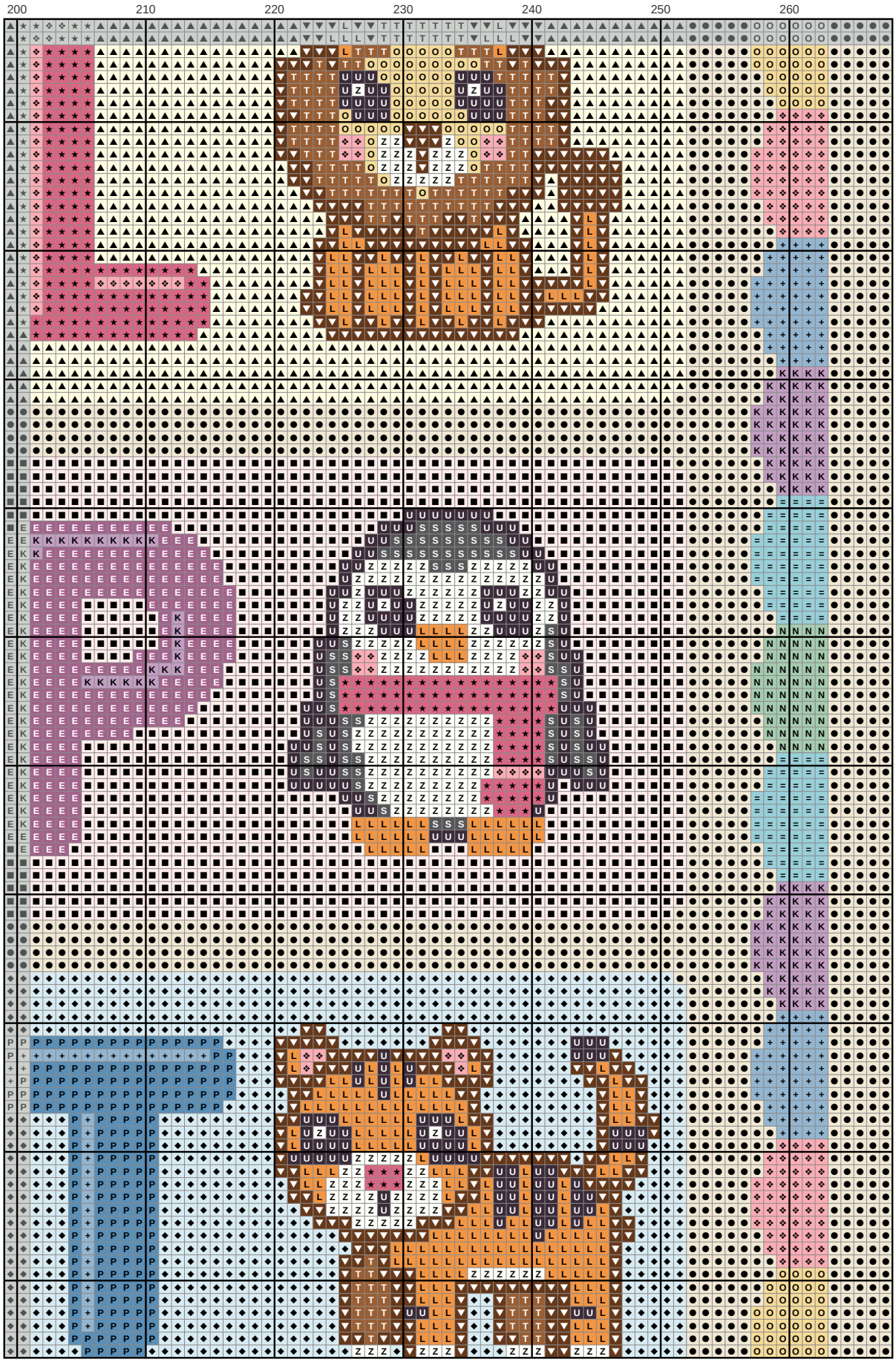

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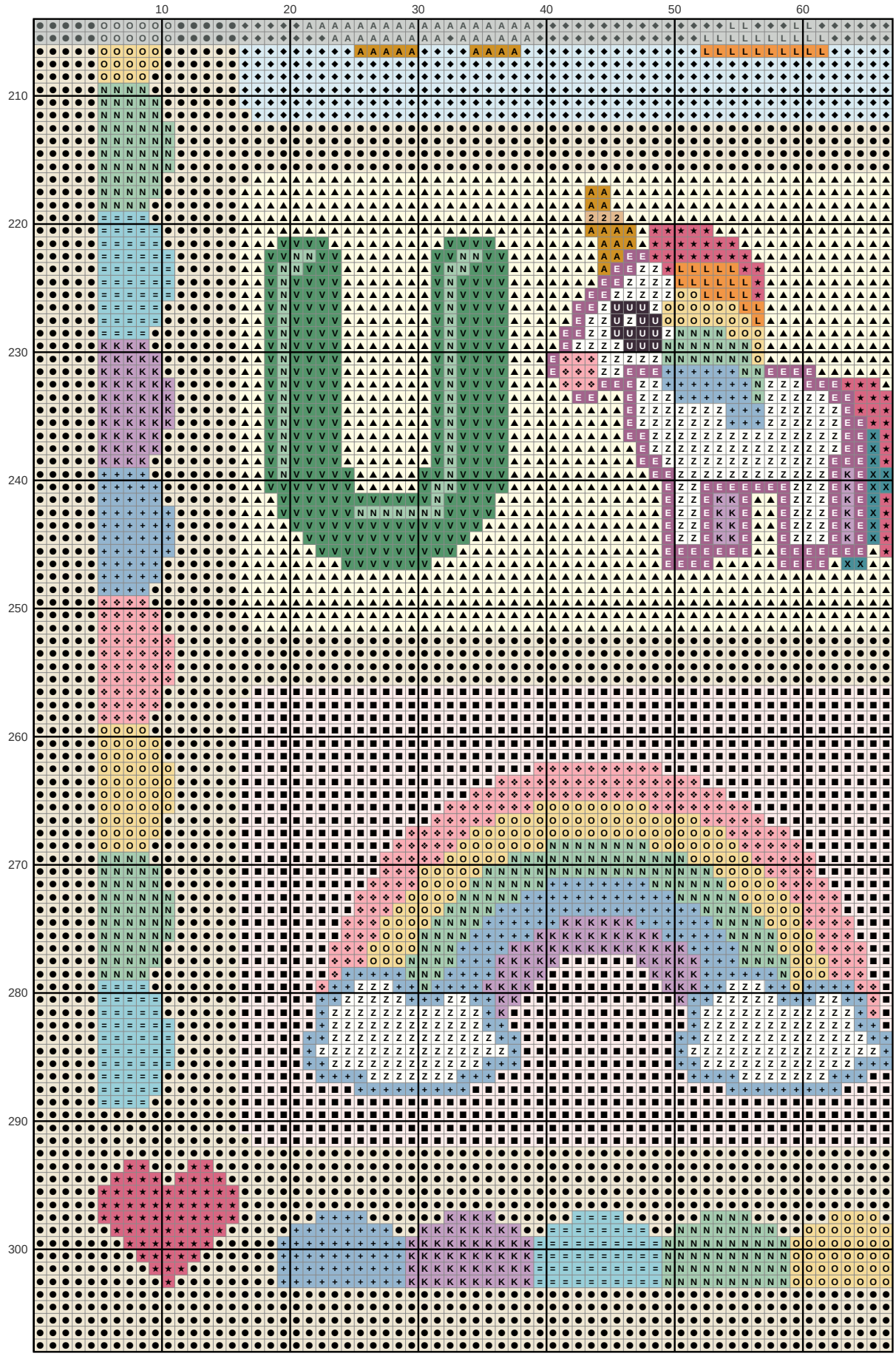

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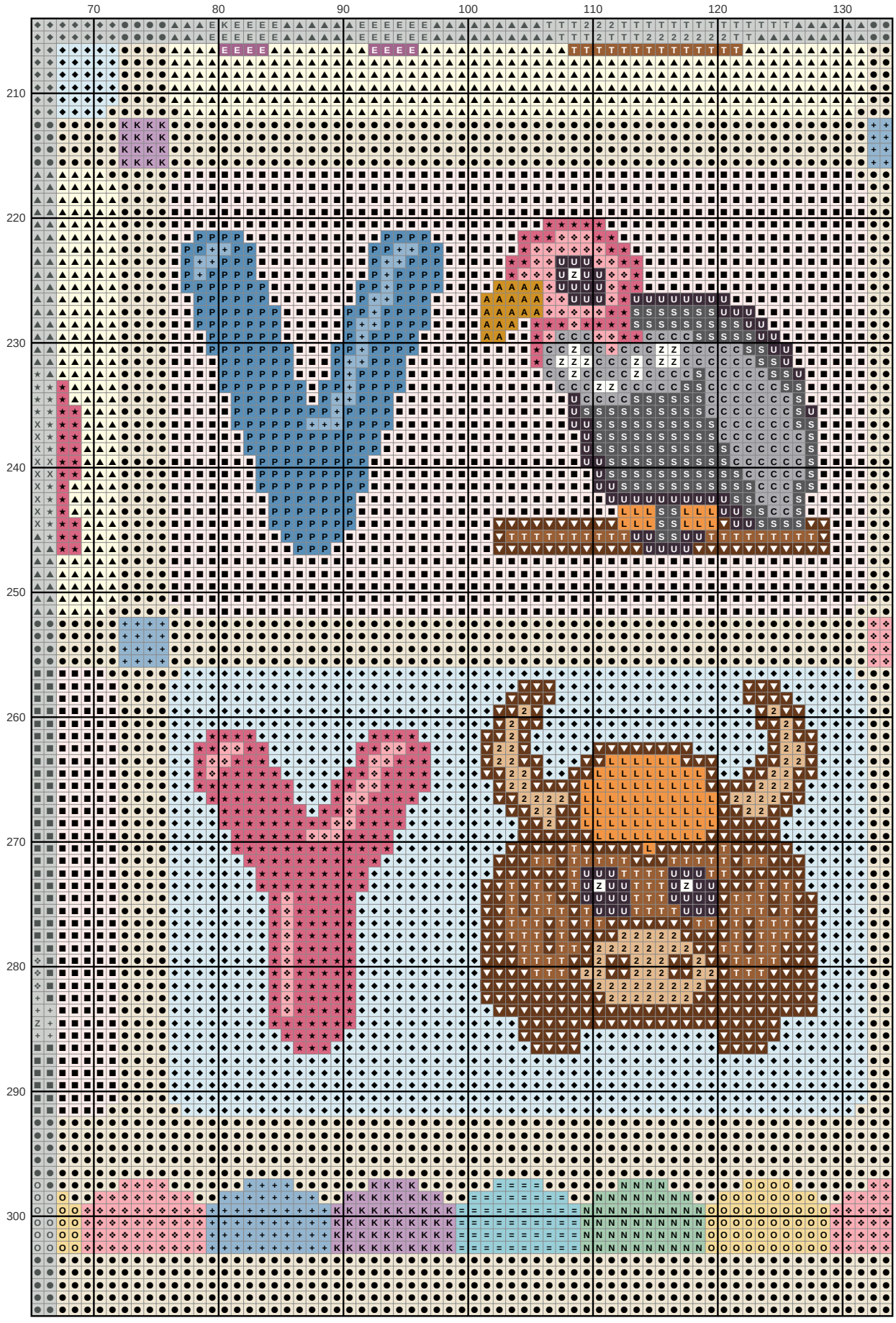

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