

EIGHTEEN

CARROT STEW



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When Mom and I go shopping,
my very favorite part . . .



is counting all the items
that go inside the cart.



Mom chooses 18 onions,
the white ones, large and round, . . .



then 18 big potatoes.
We weigh them by the pound.



I count out 18 mushrooms.
That seems like quite a lot.



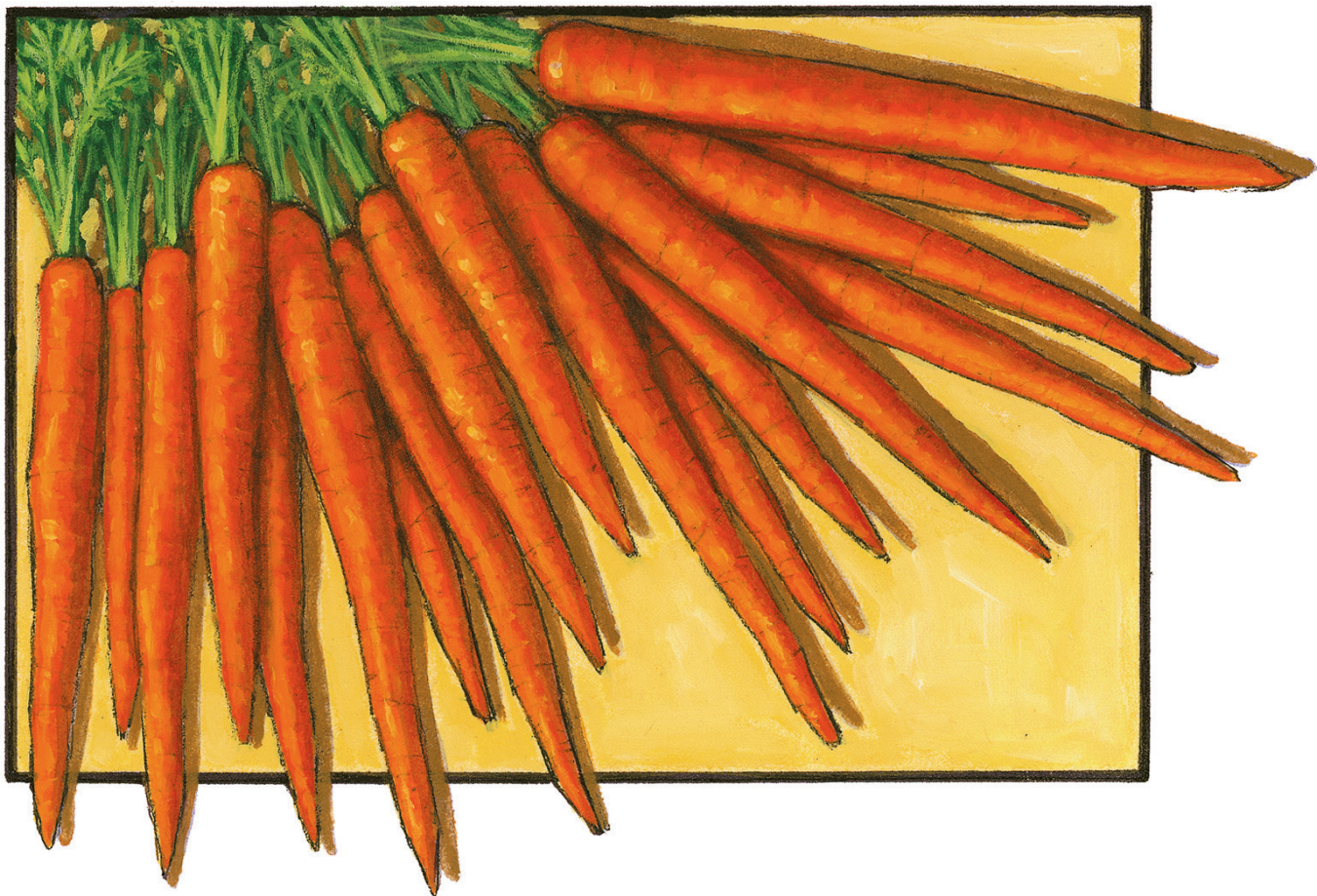
They'll all go in my mother's
big silver cooking pot.



18 stalks of celery,
Mom cuts each one apart.



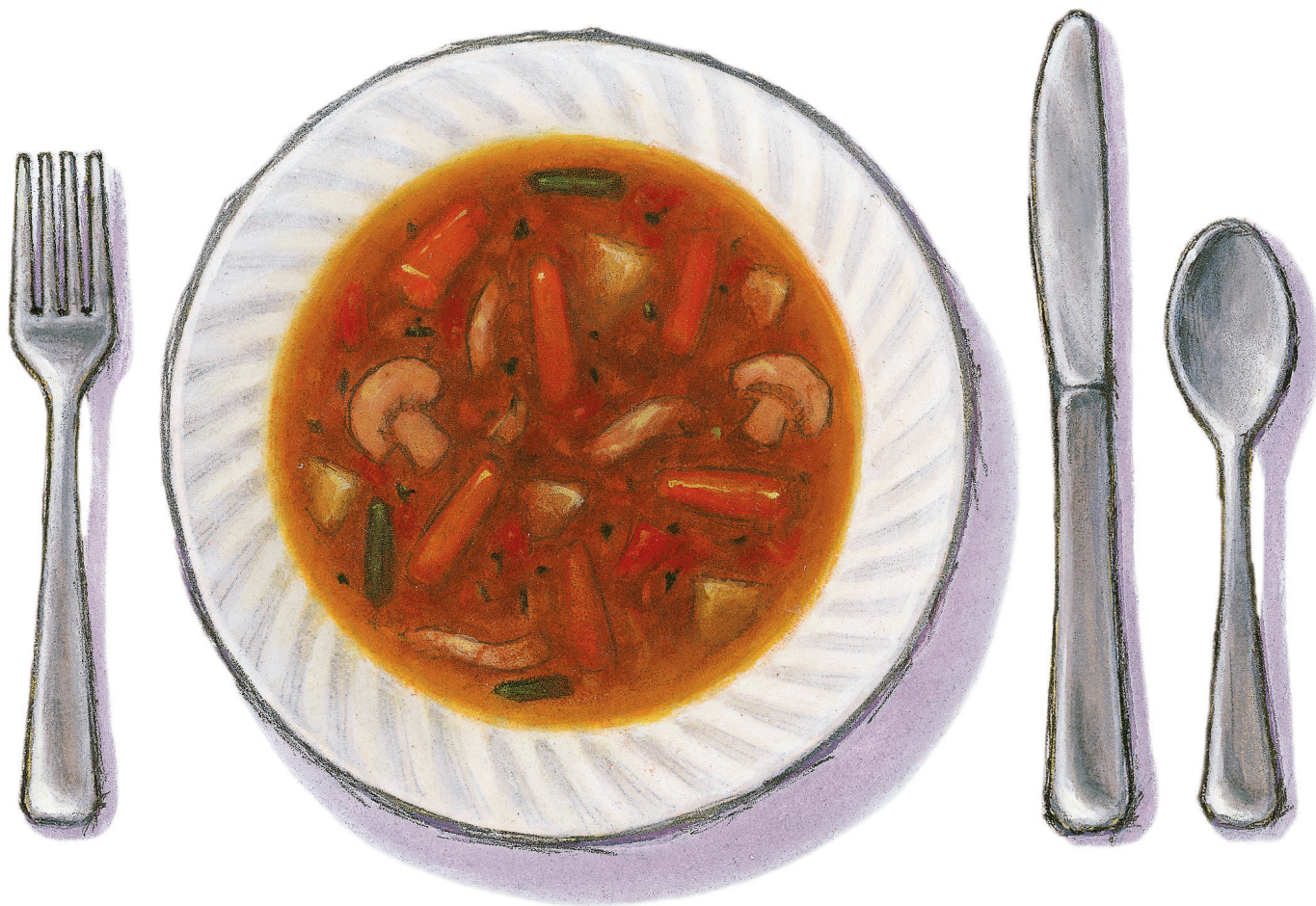
Now I think that I can count
to 18 all by heart.



Then last of all, some carrots.
Most any size will do.



18 orange carrots for . . .



... an 18 carrot stew.

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