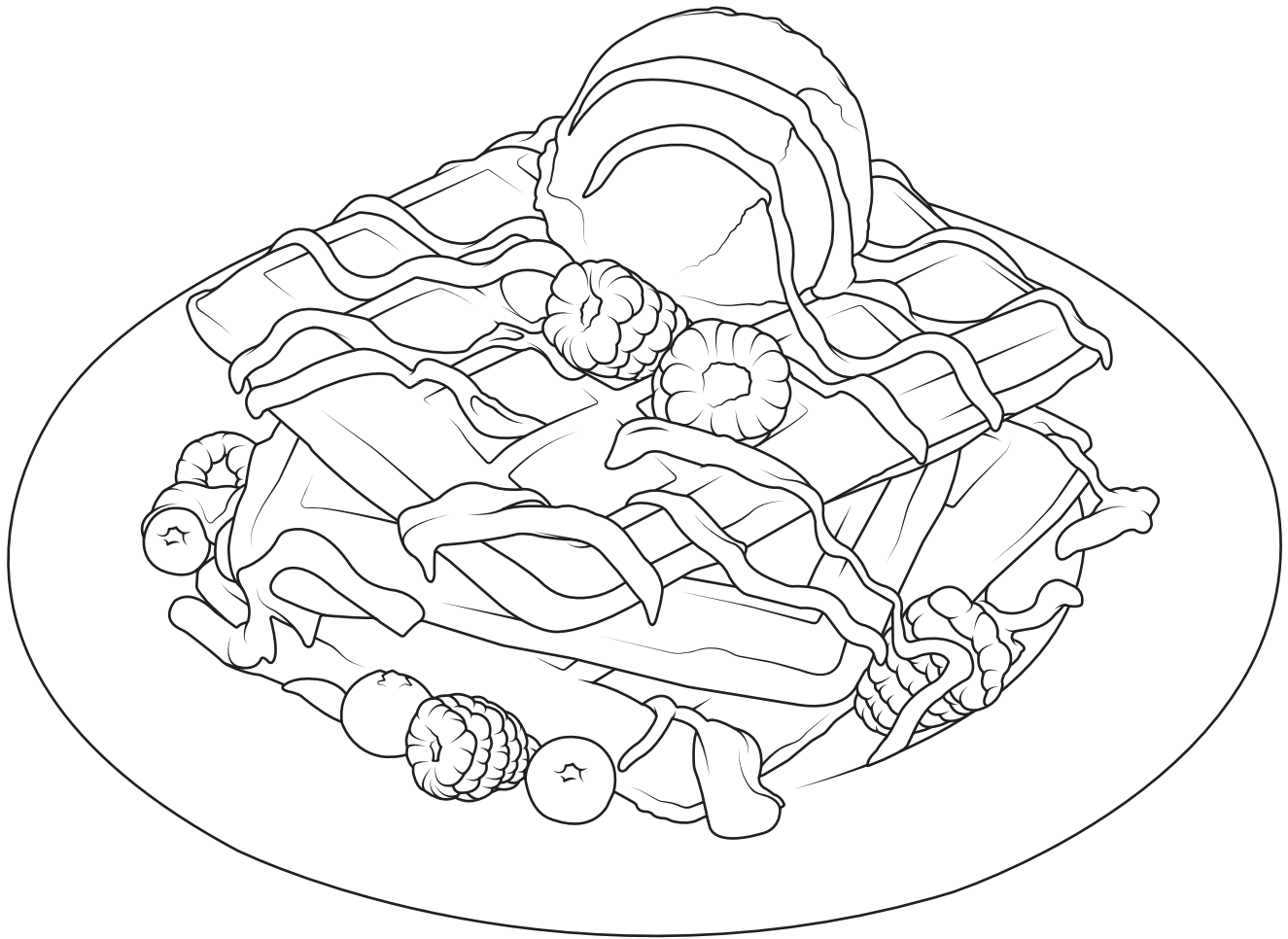




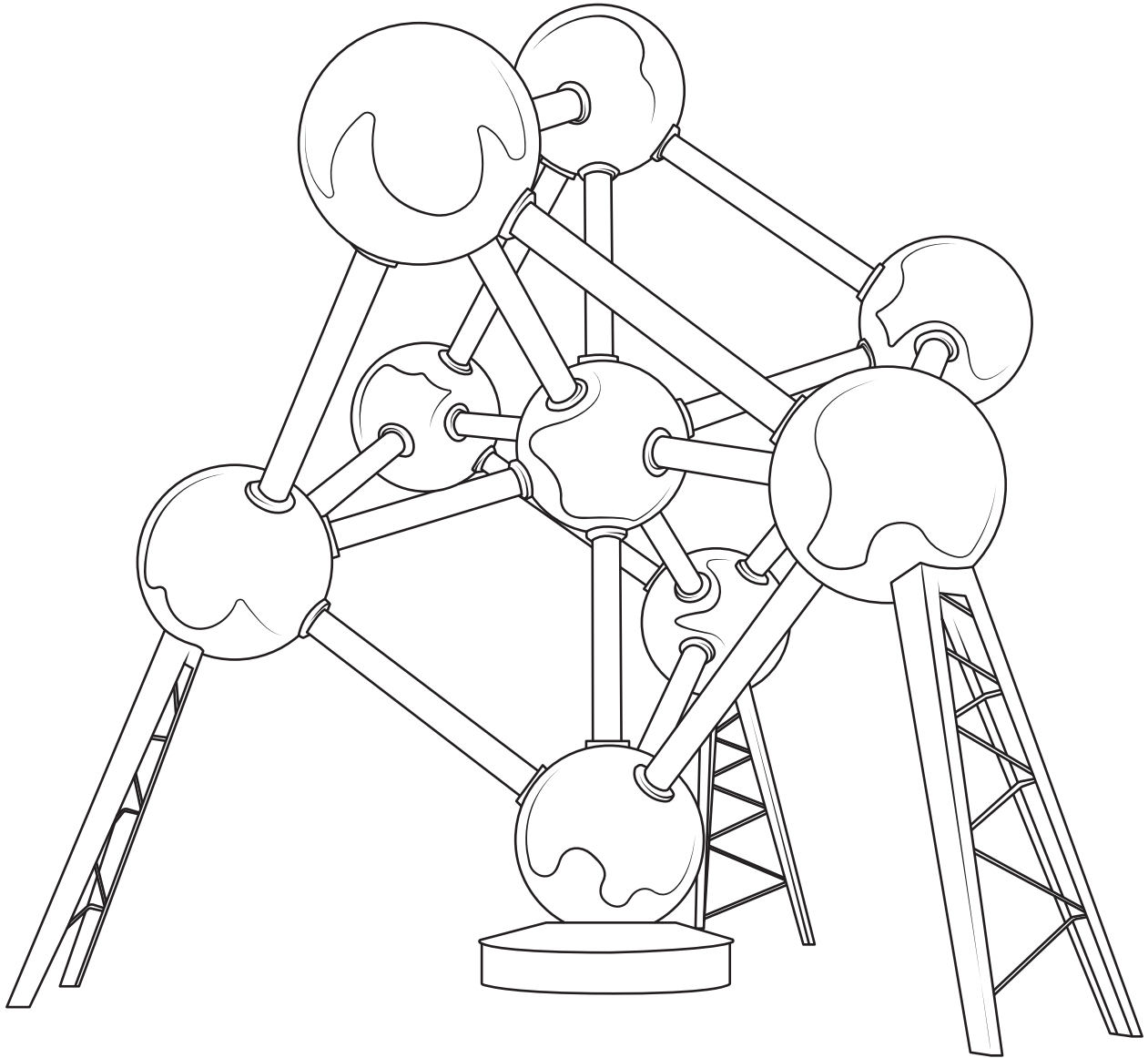
Carnival of Binche

Nearly 1000 “Gilles,” appear in a heavy overstuffed, vibrant costume consisting of clogs and bells. Oranges are handed out as tokens by the Gilles to spectators, though to return an orange to a Gille is considered extremely poor form, as it is the equivalent of rejecting a gift.



Belgian Waffles

Maurice Wemersch was the person who gave the famous dessert the name of Belgian waffles. At the World's Fair in New York in 1964, he sold his wife's waffles under the name of 'Belgian Waffles' because he thought that people didn't know where Brussels was.



Atomium

Designed by the Belgian engineer André Waterkeyn, The structure itself consists of nine stainless steel clad spheres connected by 20 tubes. According to the records from 1958, the object weighs as much as 2,400 tons!