

Rhyming Polar Friends

Grade 1

English

Nonfiction

Arctic animals Theme

~125 words

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Name: _____ Date: _____

READ — READ THIS PASSAGE CAREFULLY. YOU MAY READ IT TWICE.

Arctic animals live in very cold places. Polar bears are big and white. They swim in ice and play all day. A seal will squeal and a whale will sail. Penguins waddle and waddle some more. Walruses have tusks and they bask on ice. A fox is sly and quick. The arctic hare hops fast and the arctic tern will dart. These animals rhyme together in fun ways. Bear and care, seal and squeal, cold and bold. Many arctic animals are thick and dark. They have thick fur to stay warm and cozy. A musk ox has long horns to show. The arctic is a special home for all these rhyming friends. They live, play, and stay together in the frozen land every single day.

Tip: Read the passage twice before turning to the questions on the next page.

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Questions

⇒ **ANSWER** USE THE PASSAGE ON PAGE 1 TO HELP FIND YOUR ANSWERS.

MAIN IDEA

1. What is this passage mostly about?

TEXT EVIDENCE

2. Name two rhyming word pairs from the passage about arctic animals.

VOCABULARY

3. What does the word 'arctic' mean in this passage?

INFERENCE

4. Why do arctic animals have thick fur?

CAUSE AND EFFECT

5. What happens because arctic animals have thick fur?

TEXT EVIDENCE

6. What does the passage say penguins do?

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TEACHER / PARENT USE ONLY — Suggested answers shown below each question

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MAIN IDEA

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This passage is mostly about arctic animals and how their names can rhyme with each other.

TEXT EVIDENCE

2. Name two rhyming word pairs from the passage about arctic animals.

Two rhyming pairs are seal and squeal, and bear and care. These words rhyme and are both about arctic animals.

VOCABULARY

3. What does the word 'arctic' mean in this passage?

Arctic means a very cold place at the top of the Earth where these animals live.

INFERENCE

4. Why do arctic animals have thick fur?

Arctic animals have thick fur to keep them warm and cozy in the very cold arctic land.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

5. What happens because arctic animals have thick fur?

Because arctic animals have thick fur, they can stay warm and live safely in the frozen, cold arctic.

TEXT EVIDENCE

6. What does the passage say penguins do?

The passage says that penguins waddle and waddle some more.