

Arctic Landscapes

Great for ages 6-10

The Arctic is full of animals! From polar bears to narwhals, the Arctic ecosystem is home to many highly specialized animals. Spend some time with your kids looking at some of the adaptations that allow animals to thrive there. Start with the unravelling the mystery of the Narwhal's tusk, then move to the lifespan of Greenland sharks, and the colour changes Arctic Foxes go through every year! There are a lot of different things to discover about Arctic animals!



Materials Needed:

- Empty Shoebox
- Blue Paper
- White paint
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- Arctic Animal cutouts
- Pencil crayons
- Glue
- Cotton balls/paper bowls

Steps:

- Colour in the animal cutouts and cut them out
- Paint the inside of the shoebox with some blue for the sky and then white for the snow and ice
- Cut out portions from the paper bowl and glue that on as the landscape
- Glue on the animal cutouts and cotton balls if you have any for texture
- Coming from the egg carton penguin? Glue those on and make this an Antarctic landscape craft!

Tips:

- Does your shoebox have a lid? Use that as well! It can become the water underneath the ice, feel free to put animals like narwhals and orcas under there!
- This can be an excellent chance to teach your kids about the difference in Arctic and Antarctic life!



Sources:

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