

The Magnificent Book of Animals (Polar bears p28, Grizzly bears p36)

- 1 Find out whether the information in the boxes is true or false and tick the appropriate box.

One has been done for you.

Sentence	True	False
Polar bears live in the Arctic Ocean.	✓	
Polar bears grow to be up to 2 and half metres long.		
Polar bears only eat meat.		
Polar bears will walk or swim to find food.		
A polar bear's fur is white.		

(2)

- 2 Which of these words best describes how often polar bears sleep?

Tick one.

For 6 months at a time

☐

Never

☐

During the winter months

☐

Every night

☐

(1)

- 3 Explain why polar bears have a layer of fat under their skin.

(2)

- 4 Underline the part of the text that shows how far tigers will swim to find food.

Polar bears spend the summer at sea – walking on the frozen ocean or swimming up to 100km (60 miles) to find food.

(1)

5 MATCH THE INFORMATION ON THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ON THE LEFT.

BEAR CUBS

HOLLOW AND SEE-THROUGH

HAIRS

UNDER THE ICE

LOOK FOR SEALS

BORN UNDER THE SNOW

PREGNANT FEMALES

DIG A DEN UNDER THE SNOW

(2)

6 Explain how we know a polar bear has an excellent sense of smell. Find evidence in the text to back your answer up.

(Point + explain)

(2)

7 Why do newborn bear cubs hum when they drink their mother's milk?

(1)

8 Which of these words best describes a grizzly bear's fur?

Tick one.

Striped

☐

Rough

☐

Tangled and messy

☐

Always dark brown

☐

(1 for each correct)

9 Write the word that explains what bears do during the winter months.

(1)

10 Why does the grizzly bear have a hump on its back?

(1)

11 Which happens to a grizzly bear as it sleeps during the winter?

Tick TWO.

Do not go to the toilet.

☐

Feed their cubs.

☐

Hunt.

☐

Lose a third of their bodyweight.

☐

(2)

12 Why does the author include the final fact on page 37? What effect does this fact have on the reader?

(2)

13 If you could choose to be a polar bear or a grizzly bear, which would you choose and why? Explain why using the text to back up your answer.

I would prefer to be a _____ because in the text, it says

(3)