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BIOINDICATOR SPECIES

Polar Bears Matter

Say What

Learning about bioindicators can mean learning a lot of new vocabulary. Find five words in this book that you had never seen or heard before. Use a dictionary to find out what they mean. Using your own ideas, write down the meaning of each word. Then use each word in a new sentence.



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You Are There

Imagine you are a polar bear researcher in the Arctic. What might you notice about the polar bears you see? What signs might signal they are in trouble? What does this information tell you about the other animals in the region?



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Another View

There are many different sources of information about polar bears and climate change. As you know, every source is different. Ask an adult to help you find a reliable source about polar bears. Write a short essay comparing and contrasting the new source's point of view to the ideas in this book. How are the sources similar or different? Why do you think they are similar or different?



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Take a Stand

This book provides a lot of information on the issues facing polar bears. What do you think is the best way to help polar bears? Write a letter to someone you think can help make a difference. Explain what you have learned. Perhaps the person is a politician. Or maybe he or she is a celebrity who could help educate others about bioindicators.



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