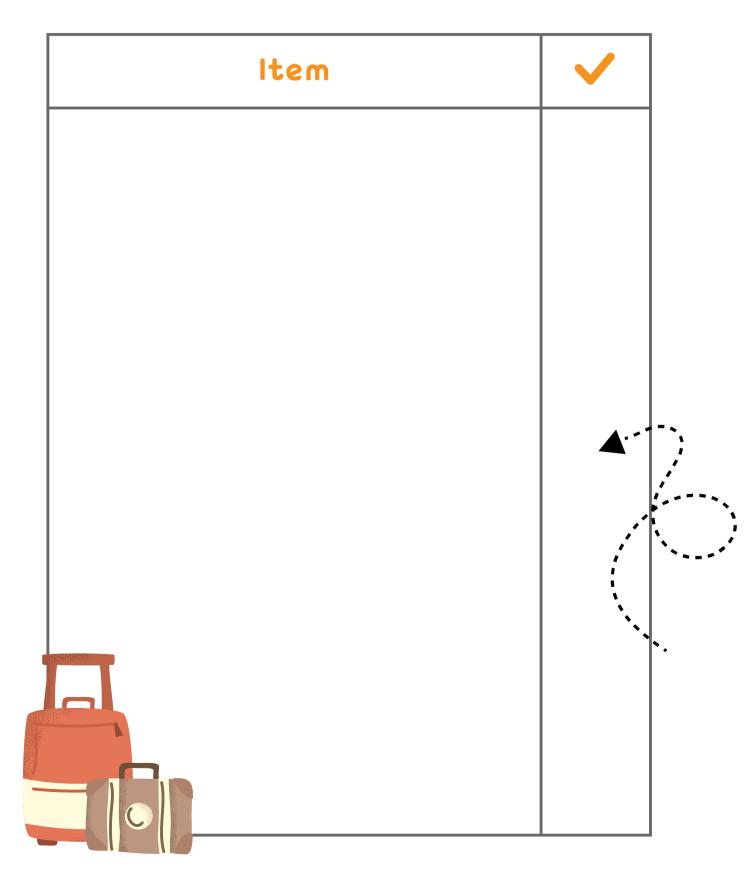
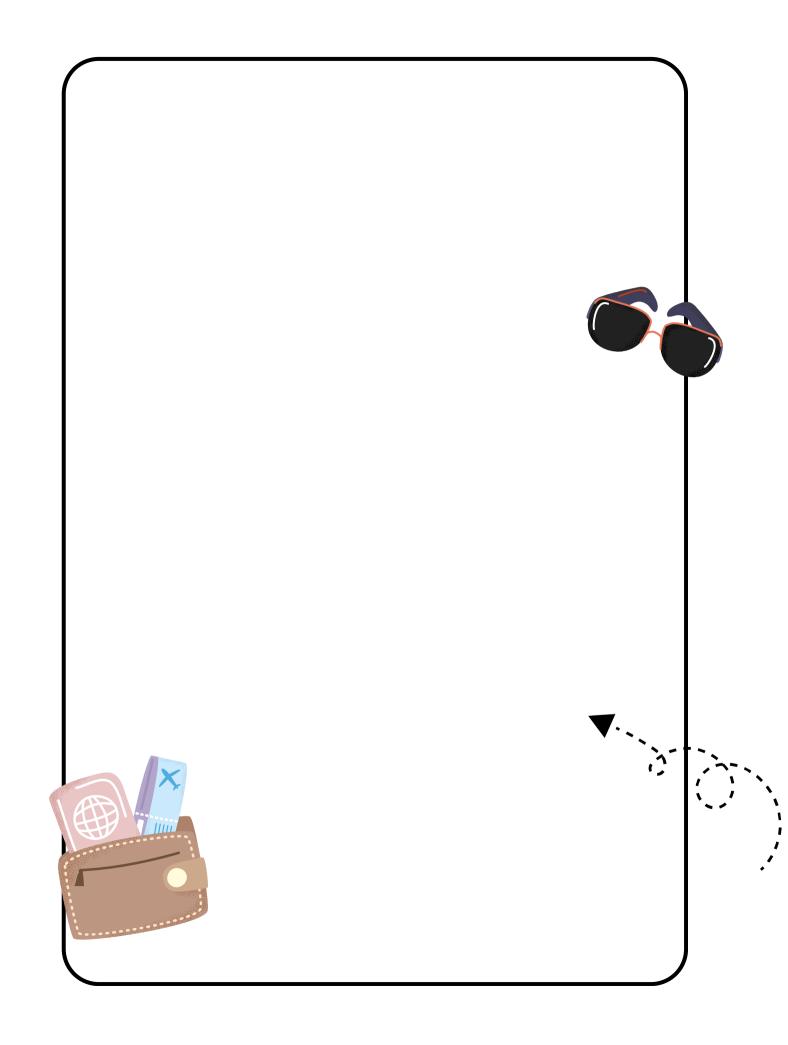
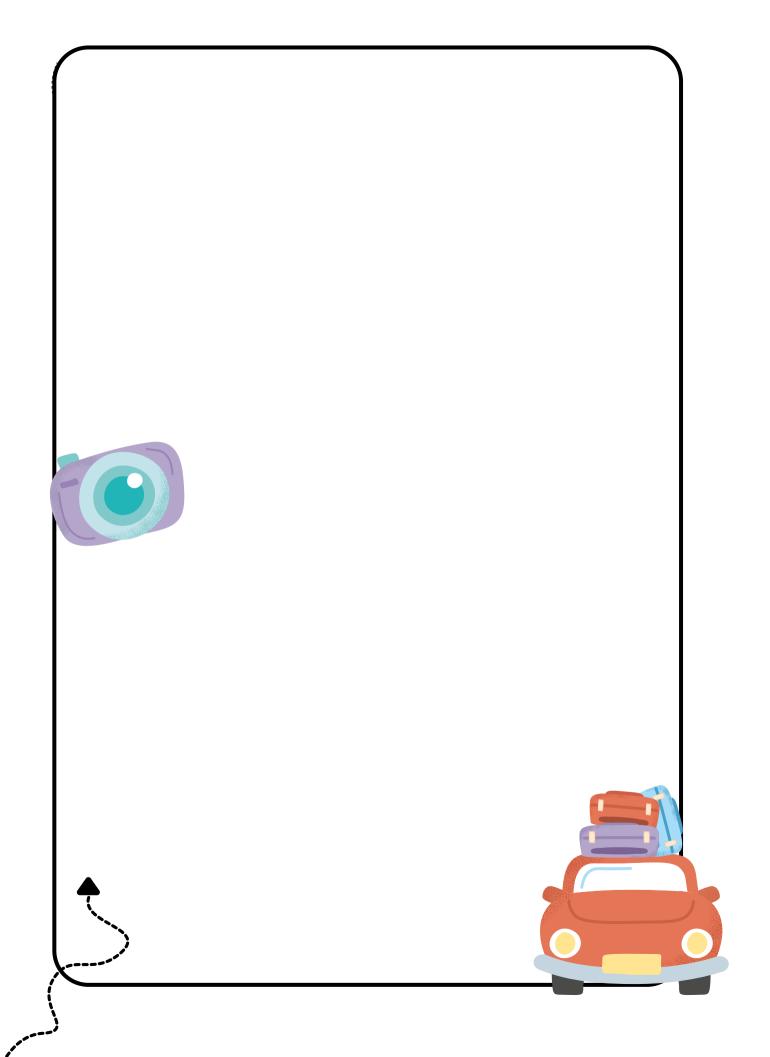


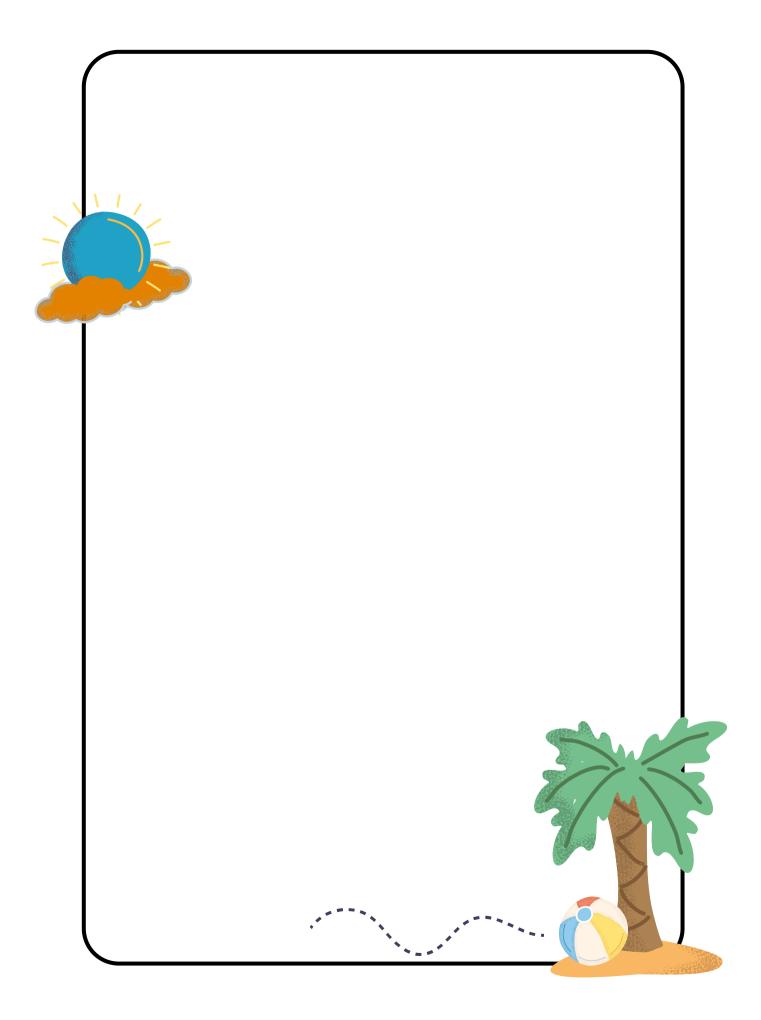


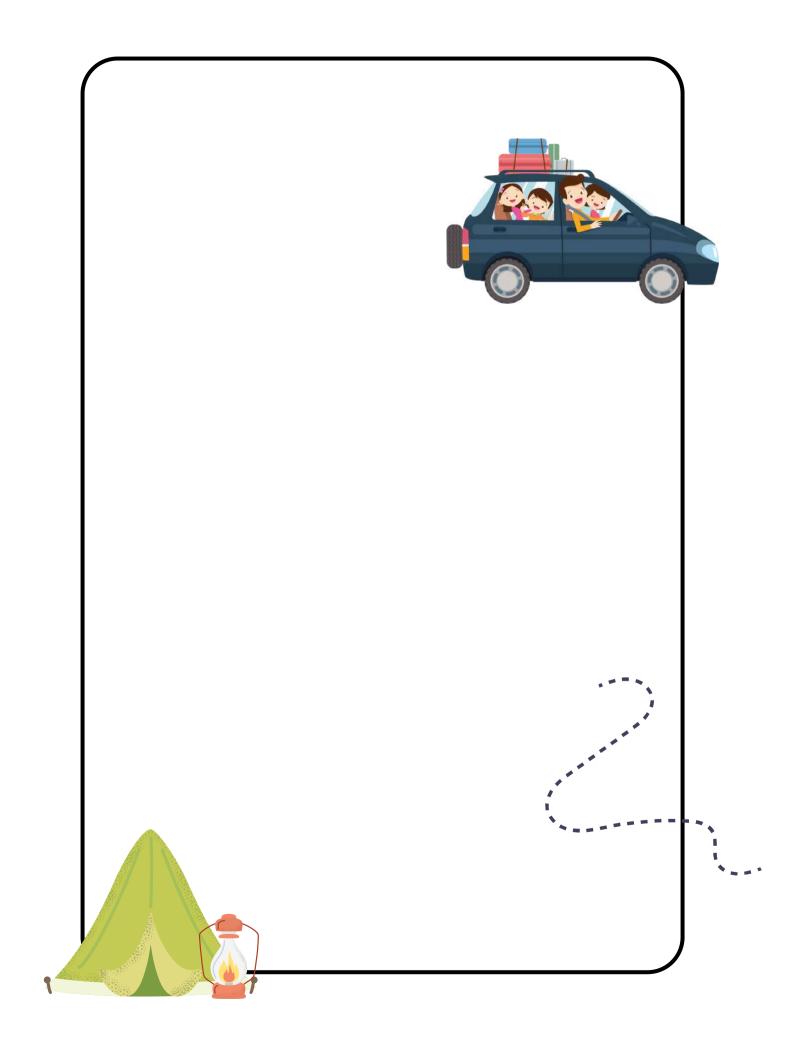
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## Ocean Facts



Read the sentences about oceans and fill in the gaps with words from the box.

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2	Around	1 70% of E	arth's	is	covered by	water.	
3	There o	ore	oc	eans in the	world.		
4	Ocean	s produce	over half of tl	ne world's _		we k	preathe.
5	Ocean	s also abs	orb		from the air		
6	Ocean	s regulate	our	ar	nd weather p	atterns.	
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9	Many _		product	s come froi	m the ocean.		
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## 5 Cool Facts About Alaska

### Alaska Is HUGE!

Alaska is the biggest state in the United States! It's so big that it could fit Texas inside it two times! That's a lot of space for animals and adventures.

#### Land of the Northern Lights

Alaska has a magical light show called the Northern Lights. The sky glows with bright colors like green, pink, and purple. It's like nature's fireworks!



### Home of Giant Bears

Alaska is where big bears like grizzly bears and polar bears live. You might even spot them fishing for salmon in rivers. They're strong and love eating fish!

### Summer Nights Last Forever

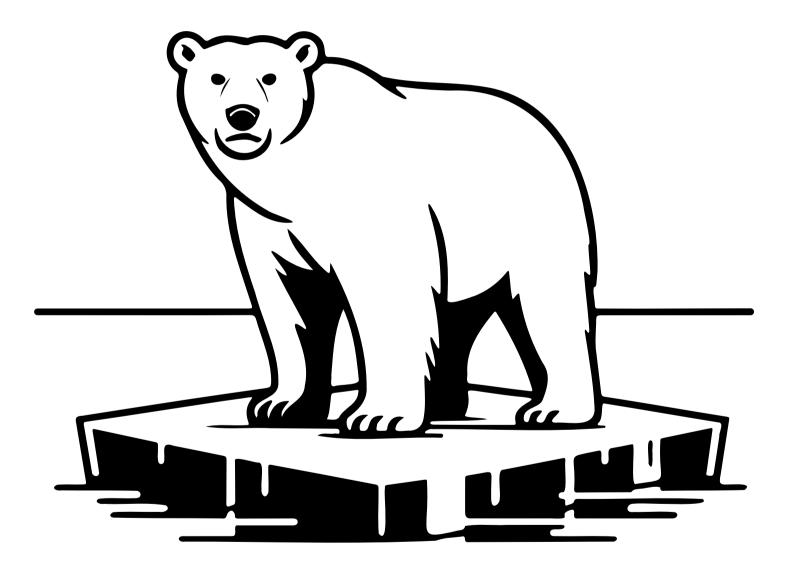
In summer, some parts of Alaska have sunlight almost all day and night! The sun doesn't set for weeks, which means extra time to play outside.

### **Full of Glaciers**

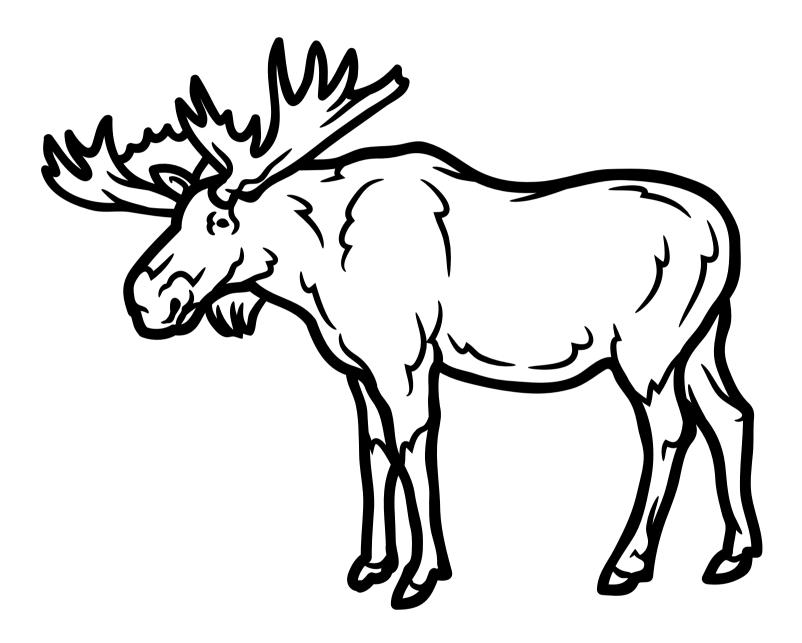
Alaska has icy glaciers everywhere. Glaciers are huge chunks of ice that look like frozen rivers. Some are so big you can walk on them!

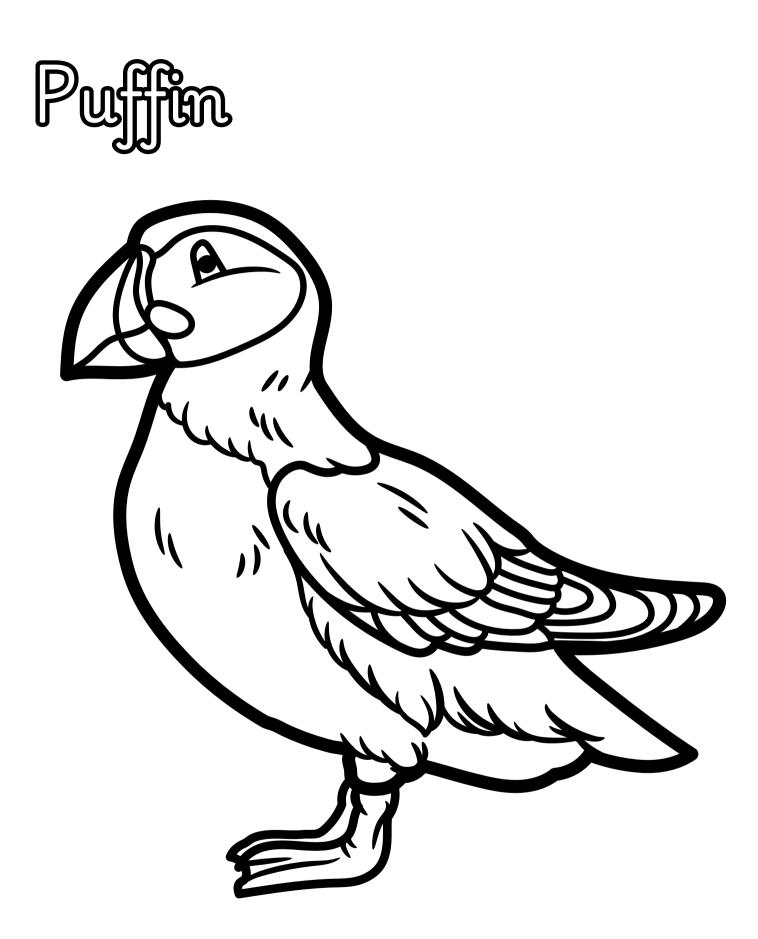


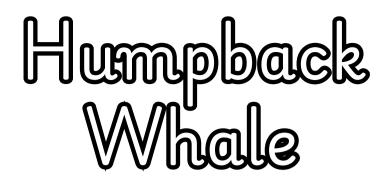


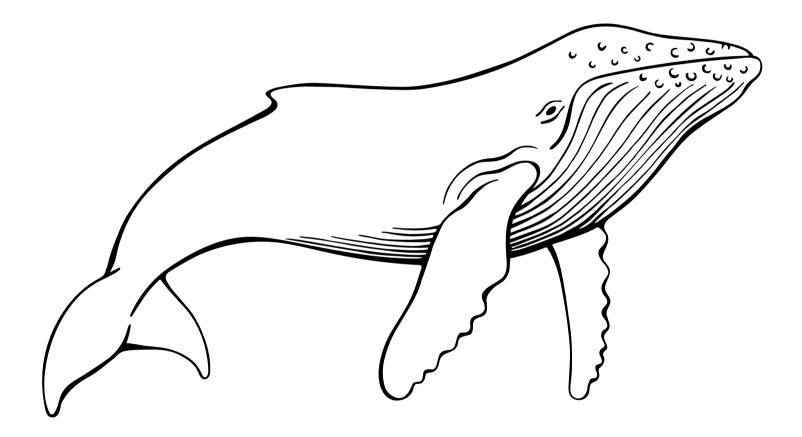






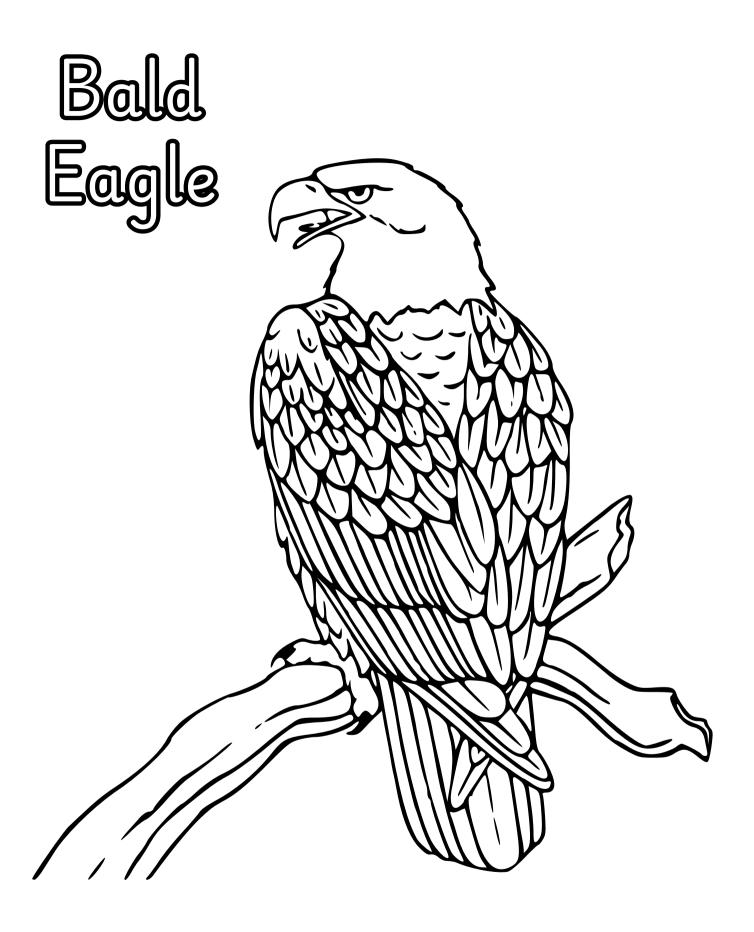




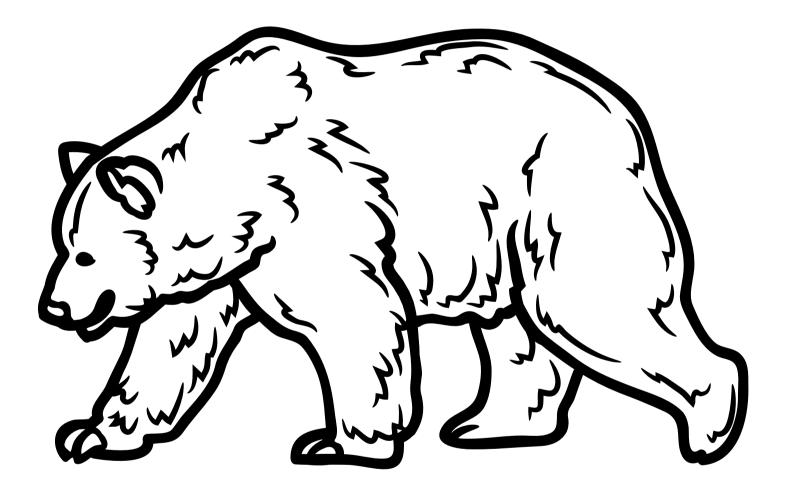


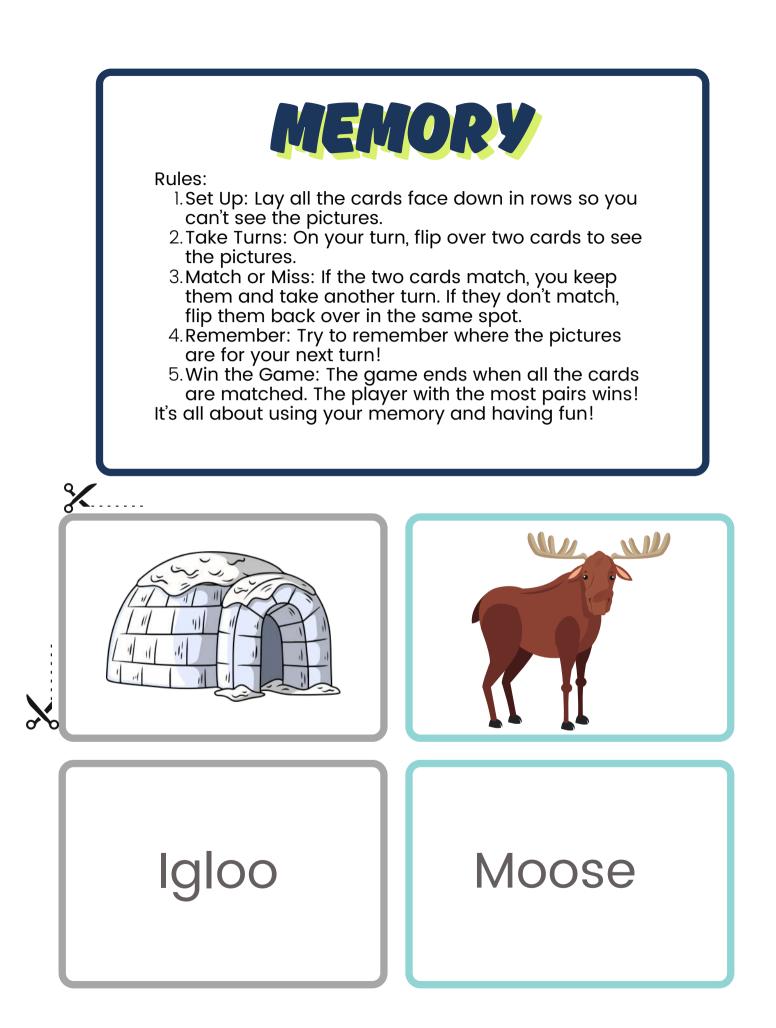


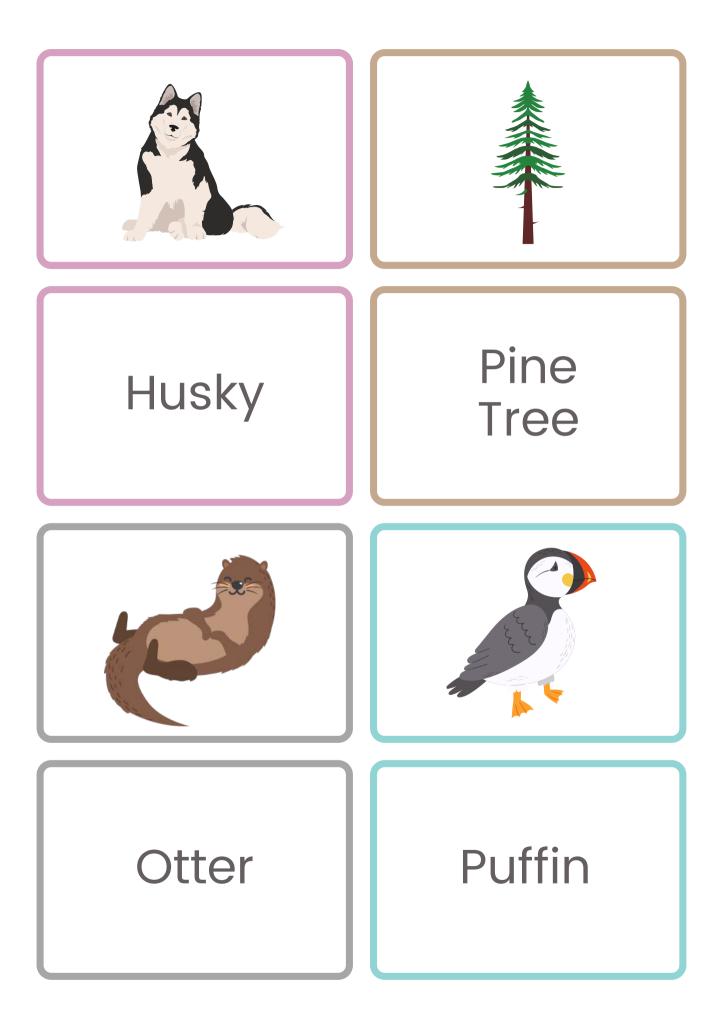


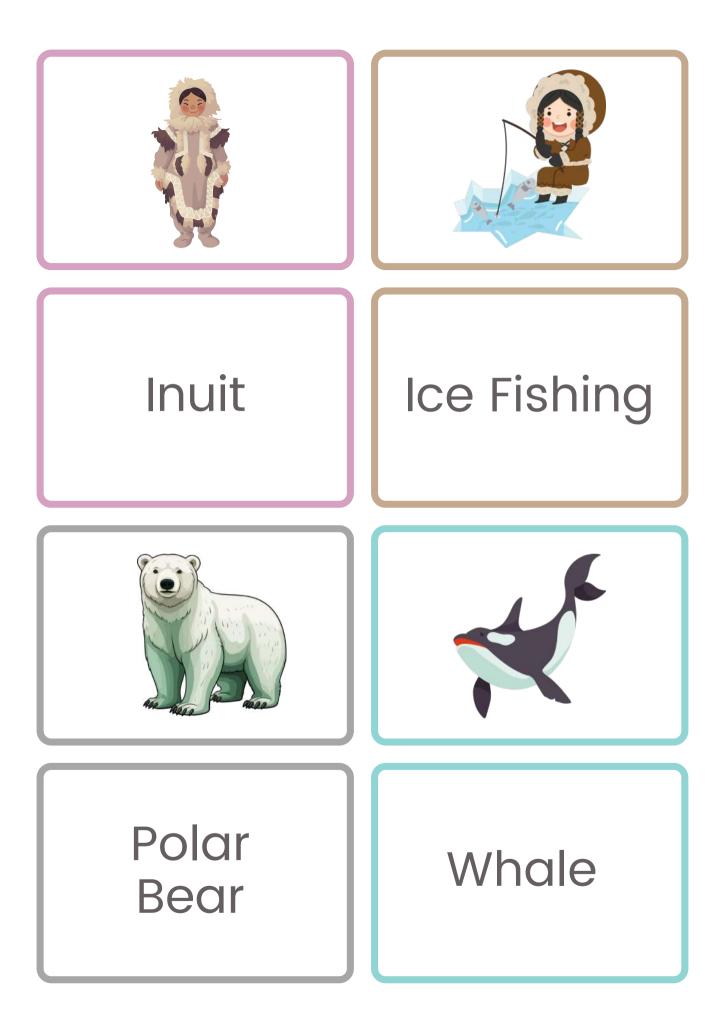


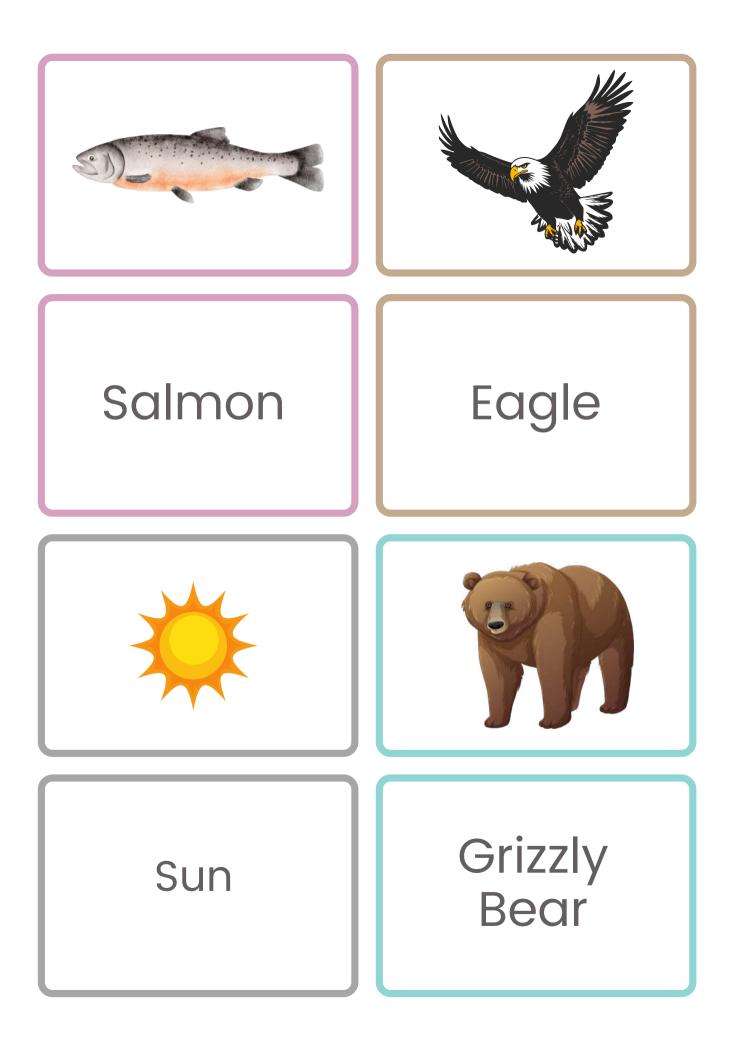


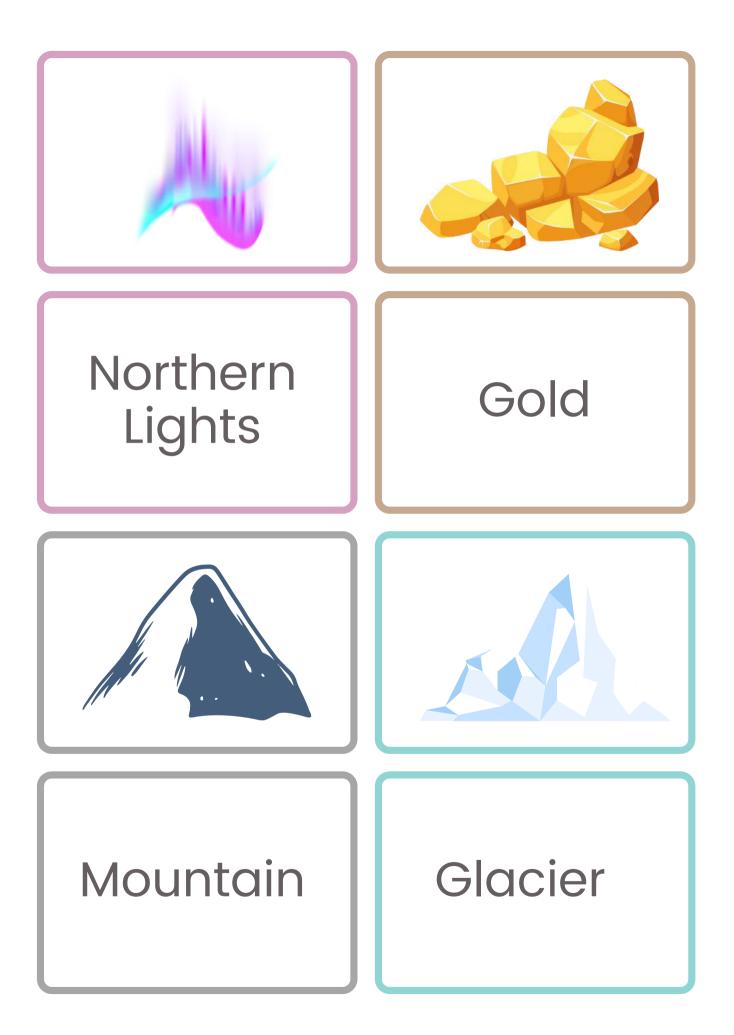






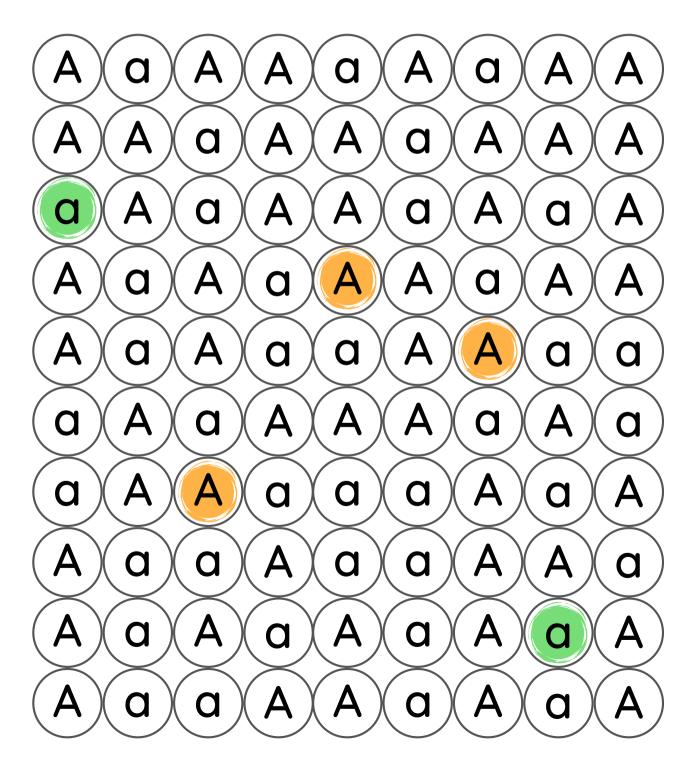








Mark the dots: A=Orange a=Green





It was a crisp, cold night in Alaska, and Ellie zipped up her big fluffy jacket. She clutched her flashlight in one hand and her little stuffed owl, Hoot, in the other. Ellie loved adventures, and tonight her dad had promised her the biggest one yet.

"The northern lights should be dancing tonight!" Dad said, pointing to the dark sky as they walked away from the warm glow of their cabin. "If we're lucky, you'll see something truly magical."

Ellie squinted up at the sky. She only saw a bunch of stars twinkling like sleepy little eyes. "What's so magical about lights in the sky?" she asked. "Is it like fireworks?"

Her dad chuckled. "Oh, Ellie, it's better than fireworks. The northern lights are nature's own light show! Just wait. And while we wait, I'll tell you how it all works."

Ellie plopped onto her favorite wooly blanket. "Okay, I'm listening!" she said, her breath puffing out like tiny clouds in the chilly air.

"You see, up in space," Dad began, pointing upward, "there's a giant ball of fire called the sun."

Ellie gasped. "I know the sun! It keeps us warm and makes plants grow!" "Exactly," Dad said. "But the sun also sends out big gusts of tiny bits called 'particles.' Sometimes, these particles race toward Earth, zooming faster than the fastest rocket ship! But don't worry—that's where Earth's magic shield comes in."

"Earth has a shield?!" Ellie's eyes grew as wide as saucers. "Like a superhero?" "Sort of!" Dad grinned. "Our planet has something called a magnetic field. You can't see it, but it's all around us, protecting us. When those speedy little particles bump into the shield, they head toward the top and bottom of the Earth, to places like Alaska. Up there, they start to party with gases in the sky." "Wait," Ellie giggled. "Did you just say the sky has gas?"

"Sure does!" Dad said. "The sky is full of invisible gases, like oxygen and nitrogen. When the sun's particles smash into those gases, it's like they light up with colorful magic! That's what we call the aurora borealis, or the northern lights. The colors you see depend on which gas is dancing. Oxygen makes green or red lights, while nitrogen makes blue and purple."

Just then, Ellie gasped. Right above her, the sky began to shimmer. Swirls of green stretched across the stars, curling and twisting as if they were alive. Splashes of purple and pink joined in, sliding across the sky like colorful ribbons.

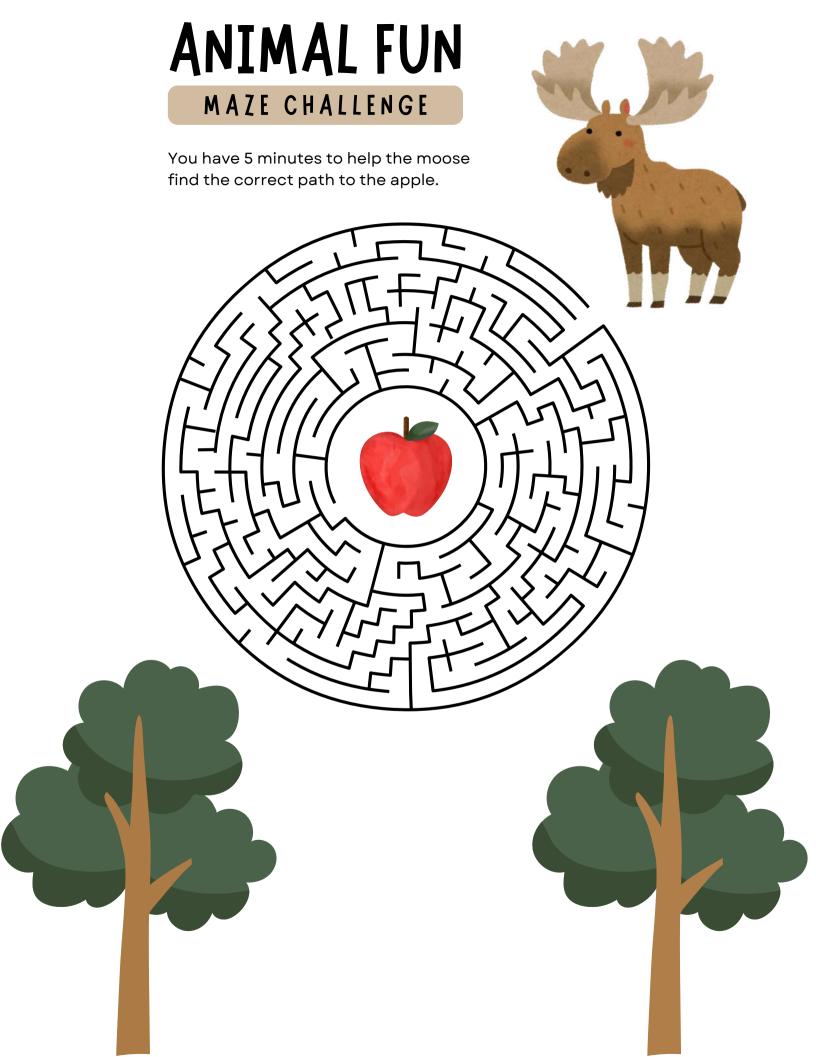
"It's... it's..." Ellie couldn't even finish her sentence. The lights were so bright and beautiful, it was like a dream come to life.

"See? It's the party I was telling you about," Dad whispered, his breath visible in the cold air. "The sky is dancing just for you, Ellie."

Ellie hugged Hoot close to her chest. "It's not just magic," she whispered. "It's science magic."

And as the northern lights twirled and shimmered above, Ellie stayed there on her blanket, watching nature's most enchanting dance. She decided right then and there that one day, she would learn more about those tiny particles and the gases that made the sky so magical.

For now, though, she pulled her hat down snug and smiled. Alaska and its northern lights were all the adventure she needed.







### Find the hidden Arctic animals.

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POLAR BEAR	MUSK OXEN	ARCTIC HARE	<b>BELUGA WHALE</b>

# MY VACATION

Draw a picture of your favorite moment from your family vacation. Write about it below



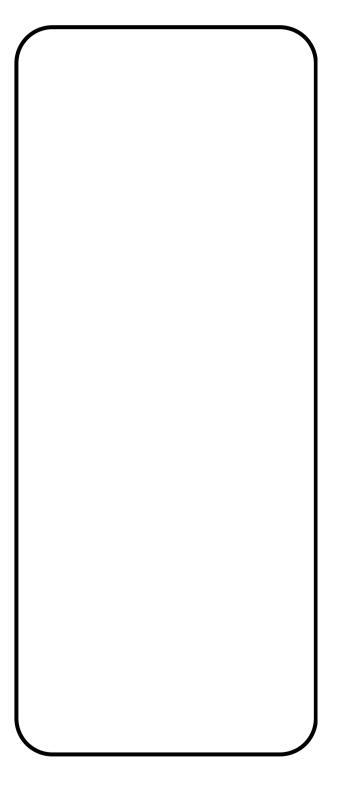




A totem pole is like a giant storybook made out of wood! It's a tall, carved pole that tells stories about people, animals, and special events. In Alaska, Native tribes like the Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian make totem poles to share their history, honor their ancestors, or celebrate important things in their lives.

Each carving on the pole is like a character in a story—there might be a bear, an eagle, a wolf, or even a person. Every figure has a special meaning, and together, they tell a tale. Totem poles are often painted in bright colors, making them beautiful and fun to look at.

When you see a totem pole in Alaska, you're looking at a piece of history and art all rolled into one! It's like a big wooden storyteller standing tall in the wild.



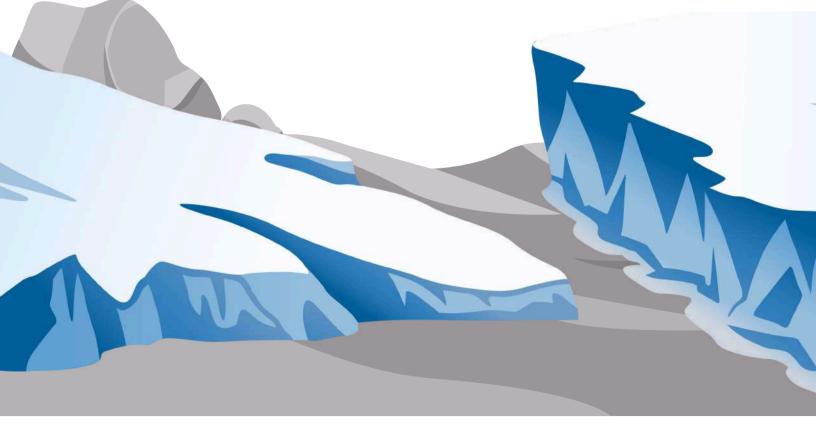
Create your own story and draw a totem pole in the box

## WHAT IS A GLACIER?

A glacier is like a giant, slow-moving river made of ice! In Alaska, glaciers are everywhere, and they're super cool (literally!). They form when lots and lots of snow piles up over many years and gets squished into thick ice.

Glaciers move very slowly, sliding down mountains or through valleys. Sometimes, big chunks of ice break off into the water with a loud splash—this is called "calving." Glaciers are also really important because they hold a lot of the world's fresh water and help shape the land by carving out valleys and lakes.

So, when you see a glacier in Alaska, you're looking at a frozen wonder that's been around for thousands of years! Pretty amazing, right?



## 5 Fascinating Facts About Moose

### Super Swimmers

Super Swimmers: Moose are excellent swimmers and can swim up to 6 miles per hour. They can even dive underwater to eat plants at the bottom of lakes and rivers!

## **Antler Architects**

Male moose, called bulls, grow massive antlers every year that can span up to 6 feet across. They shed these antlers in the winter and grow new ones in the spring.

## Tall and Mighty

Moose are the tallest mammals in North America. Adult males can stand over 6 feet tall at the shoulder—taller than most people!

## Vegetarian Giants

Despite their size, moose are herbivores. They munch on leaves, twigs, and aquatic plants, eating up to 70 pounds of food a day in the summer.

### Solo Wanderers

Moose are mostly solitary animals. Unlike deer, they don't travel in herds and prefer to roam the wilderness alone.

## How to Fill in a MadLib

Hey there! Are you ready to create a silly story? Here's how to fill in the blanks for your MadLib and have some fun:

#### Look at the Blank Spaces

Each blank space asks for a specific kind of word. You'll see instructions like "noun," "verb," or "adjective." Don't worry, we'll explain what those are!

#### What's a Noun?

A noun is a person, place, or thing. For example: Person: teacher, sister, superhero Place: beach, mountain, treehouse Thing: backpack, ice cream, robot

#### What's a Verb?

Verbs are action words. They're what you do! Think of: Run, jump, swim, eat, dance

#### What's an Adjective?

Adjectives describe things. They tell you what something looks, feels, or sounds like. For example: Silly, shiny, smelly, gigantic, colorful

#### What's an Adverb?

Adverbs tell how something is done. They usually end in "-ly." For example: Quickly, happily, loudly, neatly

#### **Time to Get Creative**

Now it's your turn! Without peeking at the story, come up with words for each blank. The sillier your answers, the funnier the story!

Example: Noun? Penguin! Verb? Hopping! Adjective? Squishy! Read Your Story

Once the blanks are filled, read the story out loud. Watch how your goofy words make the story crazy and fun!

## **An Alaska Adventure!**

One sunny (adjective)	day, a cl	nild named		
(name) p	oacked their (adjective)_			
backpack and got ready for	r an exciting trip to Alask	a! They were so		
(emotion)	to see all the amazing	things there. First,		
they hopped on a (type of transportation) and fle				
high above the (adject	ive)	clouds.		

When they landed, they saw a g	iant (animal)! It wa	۱S
standing near a (noun)	and munching on a	
(food)	"(exclamation)!" said	
(name)	, "I've never seen one of those before!	!"

Next, they went to see a (adjective)	glacier. They
decided to (verb)	on the icy surface, which felt as
slippery as a (object)	Then, as they were
exploring, they spotted a (color)	totem pole with
carvings of (plural animals)	Each one told a
(adjective)	story about Alaska's people and
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history.



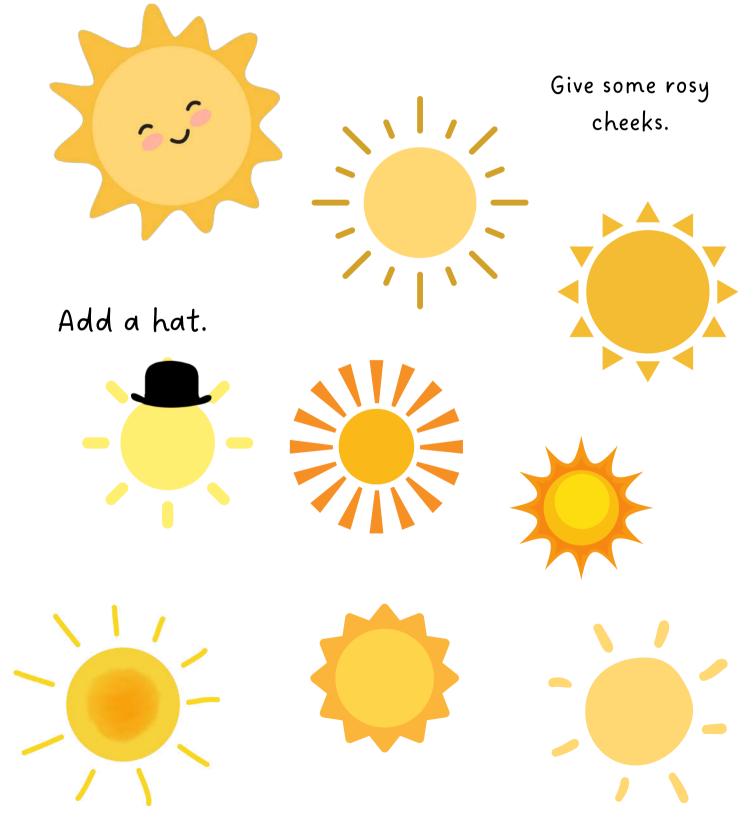
Later, (name)	went on a (adjective)
boat and saw a (size)	whale jump out of the (body
of water)	! It was so
(adjective)	that it splashed them with
(liquid)	They laughed and decided to
(verb)	with the sea breeze in their (body
part)	•
food)	d, they warmed up by eating (favorite They promised to write about their adventure in their
(noun)	so everyone would hear about the (funny
adjective)	things that happened on their trip to
	Alaska.
What an (adjective)	day it was! Alaska is truly the

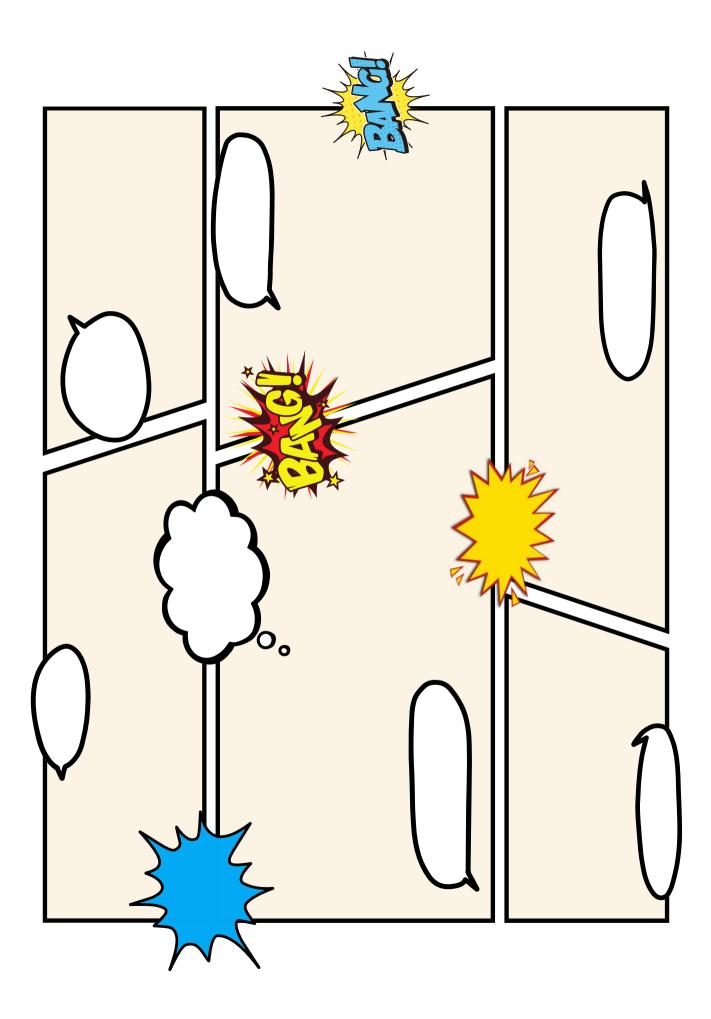
best place for (plural noun)\_\_\_\_\_\_.





Doodle different faces on these suns.







Unscramble the following words.

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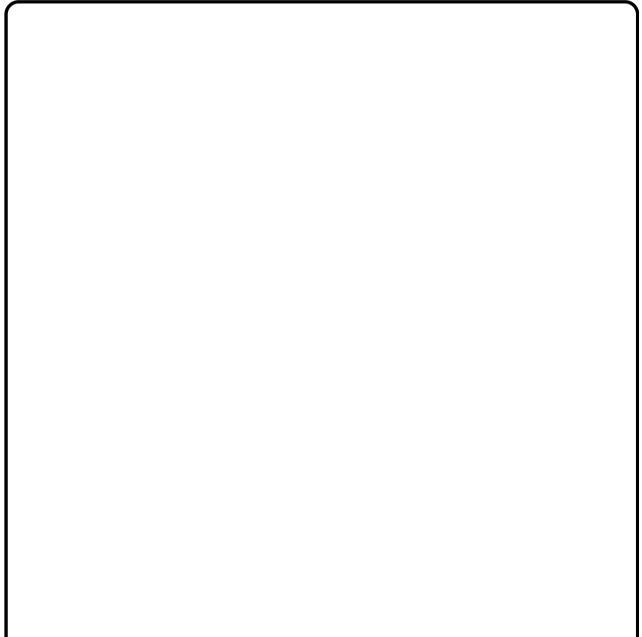
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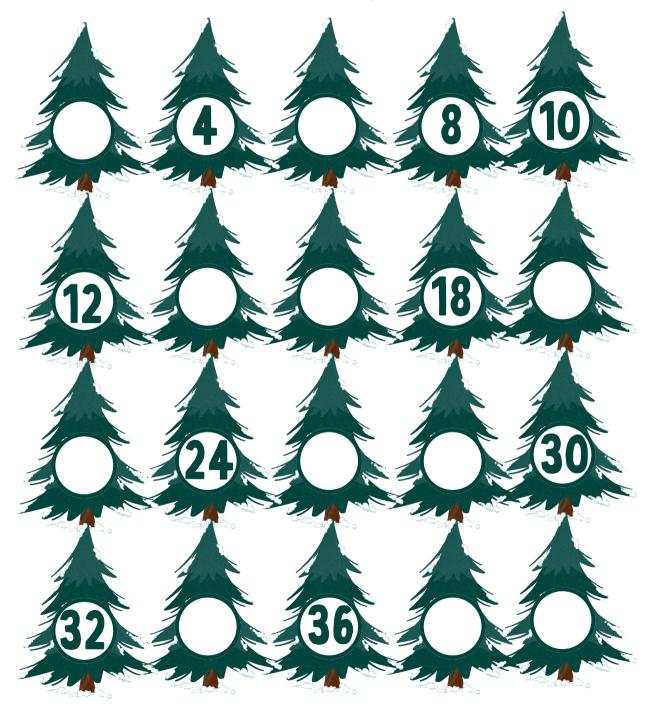
Draw a picture of your family on vacation.





## SKIP COUNTING IN THE ALASKAN FOREST

Skip count by 2's. Fill in the missing numbers for each tree.



## SKIP COUNTING IN THE ALASKAN FOREST

Skip count by 5's. Fill in the missing numbers for each tree.

