



January Theme: *Animals in Polar Waters*

Recommended Books

Focus Book: *Tacky the Penguin* by Helen Lester *

Fiction:

Seal by Judy Allen

Pup and Bear by Kate Banks *

Penguin & Tiny Shrimp Don't Do Bedtime by Cate Berry *

One Cool Friend by Toni Buzzeo *

Pickle & Penguin by Lawrence David

Baby Penguins Love Their Mama by Melissa Guion*

Walpole by Syd Hoff

The Emperor's Egg by Martin Jenkins*

Pierre the Penguin, A True Story by Jean Marzollo *

Penguin Pete's New Friends by Marcus Pfister*

Baby Beluga by Ashley Wolff and Raffi *

Without You by Sarah Weeks *

Little Penguins Tale by Audrey Wood *

Welcome to the Ice House by Jane Yolen *

****Books read aloud on Youtube for Kids**

Non-Fiction:

Penguins vs Puffins by Julie Beer

Penguins and Polar Bears, Animals of the Ice and Snow by Sandra Lee Crow

All About Orcas by Eric Doty

Where is Antarctica? by Sarah Fabiny

Penguins by Lenore Franzen

Polar Bears, Zoo Animals in the Wild by Jinny Johnson

Beluga Whales, Arctic Animals by Julie Murray *Penguins* by Deborah Nuzzolo

The Seal Garden by Ian McCallister & Nicholas Read

Antartica by Greg Reid

Face to Face with Polar Bears by Norbert Rosing with Elizabeth Carney

Walruses, Ocean Life Up Close by Kari Schuetz

Arctic and Antarctic, Eyewitness Books by Barbara Taylor
Video: *March of the Penguins*

Tumblebooks (found on the library's website)

A Penguin Story by Antoinette Portris

A Whales World by Nicholas Read

National Geographic Videos *Critter Cam: Emperor Penguins*

National Geographic Videos *Lifestyles of Belga Whales*

National Geographic Videos *Polar Bear Moms and Cubs*

National Geographic Videos *Walrus Mom and Baby*

Craft Project: Penguin

You will find in the bag:

*black and orange construction paper

*Penguin Pattern

*2 Googly Eyes

*Cotton balls

Items needed from Home:

scissors

glue or tape

crayons or markers

iridescent or silver glitter

Directions:

Cut out the penguin parts and trace them onto colored construction paper. Glue the white body onto the black body. Trace the feet and nose onto the orange paper. Add the googly eyes. Then, glue the penguin onto the blue paper. Add the cotton for snow.

STEM Science Activity: Snowstorm in a Jar (copied from pintrest)

You will need:

16 oz Mason Jar

baby oil

white paint (Dollar Tree or Walmart has small bottles)

water

Alka Seltzer Tablet (included in bag)

Directions :

Fill mason jar 2/3 full with baby oil Add a small squirt of white paint to about 1/4 cup of water, then stir until it's combined. You want the water to be a nice white color so you can see it in the oil. If your container is a different size, adjust your amount of water accordingly. Pour the white-water mixture into the jar. The mixture will fizz up towards the top a little bit when you do the experiment, so don't fill your jar all the way to the top or you'll end up with quite a mess. Add some iridescent glitter to the jar. You can also add colored glitter if you like. But if you do, don't add too much because it makes it kind of hard to see the snowstorm through solid colored glitter. Break up the Alka Seltzer tablet into small pieces, then drop two or three into the jar. Then watch what happens! The white water bubbles up through the baby oil making a little snowstorm in a jar! Wait a few minutes for everything to settle, and repeat.

Song: Tacky the Penguin (printed separately)

Activity: Move like a penguin:

Blow up a balloon for each child. The child will place the balloon between their legs and begin walking. They can race to see who can waddle the fastest. Do the same with flapping their arms like wings, rolling into a ball, twirl around, jumping, and sliding.

Youtube kids has a video by Jack Hartman called the Penguin Dance.

Tacky the Penguin

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I'm Tacky the Penguin,
I'm black and white.
I wear a colorful shirt,
I'm an adorable sight.

I love to dance
and I love to sing.
I waddle to the water
And dive right in!



