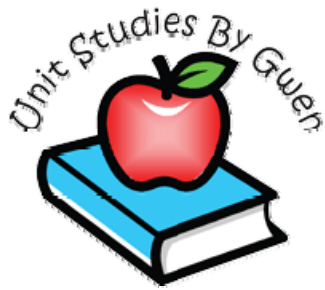


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# Polar Bears



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Polar bears look white, but their fur is really translucent (trans loo sent)




Polar bears are big.

They are the biggest of the 8 types of bears.



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Asiatic Black Bear	Polar Bear	<p>Polar bears can stand on their hind legs.</p> <p>They can even take a few steps.</p> 	
American Black Bear	Sloth Bear		
Brown Bear	Spectacled Bear		
Giant Panda	Sun Bear		
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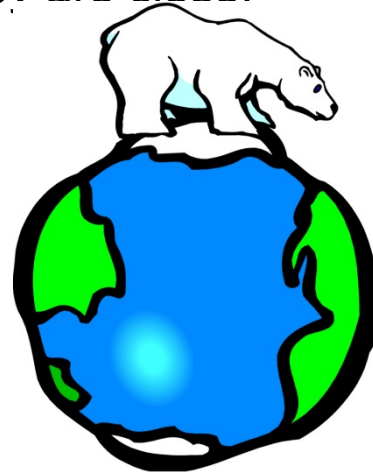
Big cubs that do not live with their mother are called sub-adults.



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Polar bears live in the Arctic circle.

They do not actually live at the north pole, but they are close!



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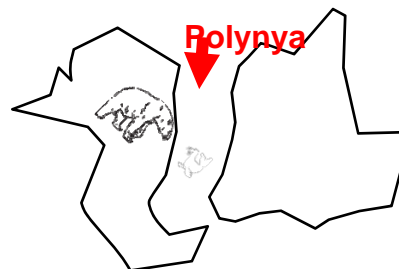
- **January** – Babies might be born
- **February**
- **March, April, May, June** – Some females mate.
- **July** – Pregnant females start to gain weight.
- **August**
- **September** – Embryos implant and start to develop.
- **October, November**– Pregnant females enters a den.
- **December** – Babies might be born



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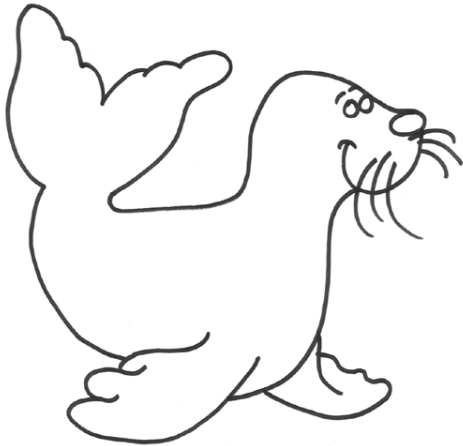
Polar bears hunt seals.

Polar bears wait quietly. Seals come out of the water to breathe. The polar bears try to catch the seals.



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Polar bears like to eat seals. Adult polar bears like to eat the seal's blubber, or fat.



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Polar bear cubs are called "Cubs of the Year" or COYs.

Polar bear cubs stay with their mothers for 2 to 2.5 years.



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Female polar bears are adults at 3-4 years old.

Male polar bears take a year or two longer.



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Female polar bears usually have two cubs when they are pregnant.



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