

PLAY 3: Life at the Poles

Readers:

Narrator

Polar Bear

Penguin

Seal

Walrus

Blue Whale

Albatross

Polar bear: Phew! It's a bit warm round here. That global warming's happening quicker than we thought!

Narrator: But doesn't that make a pleasant change for you lot? It can't be much fun being freezing cold all year round!

Penguin: (Sighing). I can see this one needs educating! Take it away, boys!

Seal: What is frozen water?

Narrator: Ice! That's easy!

Whale: What is frozen cream?

Narrator: Ice-cream! I'm getting the hang of this!

Albatross: What is frozen tea?

Narrator: (Sighing). Iced tea.

Penguin: What is frozen ink?

Narrator: Iced ink.

Penguin: What was that again?

Narrator: (Shouting) Iced ink! I stink!
(All hold their noses)

Polar Bear: Well, you'd better go and have a bath, then!
(All laughing)

Narrator: Huh! Very funny! Now! Back to more serious matters!

Polar Bear: Like, who is the largest *bear* in the world?... Why, me of course!

Albatross: And who has the largest *wingspan* of any bird in the world?.... Why, me of course!

Whale: And who is the largest *animal* that has ever lived?... *That's* me! Longer than a jumbo jet! And heavier than 30 elephants!

Albatross: Well, *I* can glide for days at a time!

Whale: And I can talk to other whales up to 50 miles away!

Albatross: Well, I can live for over 80 years!

Whale: And I ...

Narrator: (Interrupting). OK. OK. I think this has gone on long
enough. I don't mean to spoil your fun ..

Penguin: No, that *would* be mean. After all, if he's a *blue*
whale, he needs all the cheering up he can get!

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