



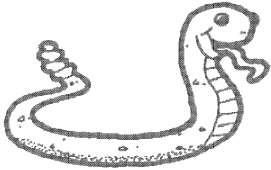
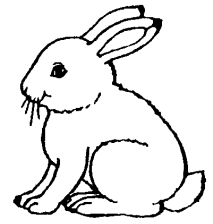
Animals in Winter

Expository

Reading & Writing

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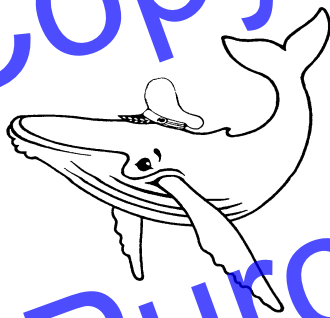
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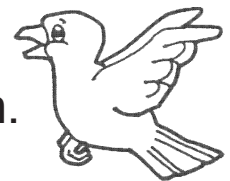
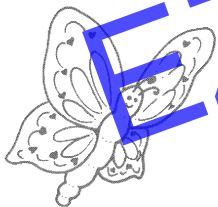
Color Change
Hibernation
Migration



through stories of real animals.

This set contains

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- 3 Writing sheets with parent information.
- 3 information-packed poems
- 1 poem combining all 3 groups.



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What Do They Do In Winter?

Color Change

In Summer brown - like the ground.

In Winter's light - snowy white.

Changing color lets rabbit hide.

Changing color lets fox spy!



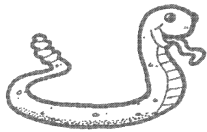
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Fatten in the fall - eat and eat!

Find a cozy place to sleep.

Hibernate Hibernate - sleep and hide.

Wake when winter says, "Bye bye !"



Migration

Migrate, Migrate

Walk, swim, fly away.

Winter is too cold here .

We can't find food.

When it's warmer

In the spring

We'll come back home with

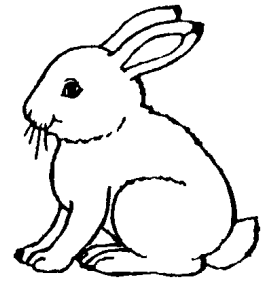
Feet, fins, wings.



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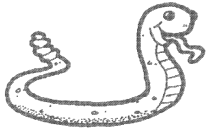
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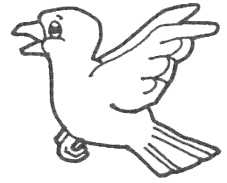
"Bye bye !"



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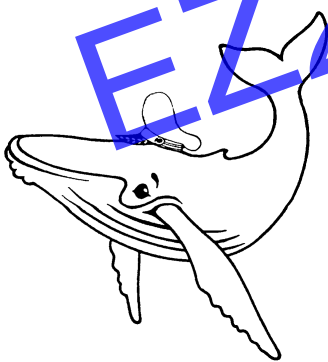
We'll come

Back home

With

Feet

Fins



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Fall

brown & white



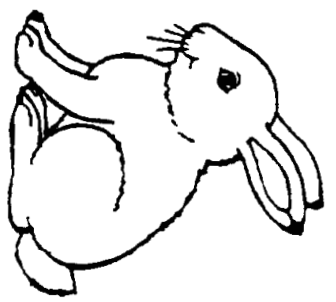
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brown & white



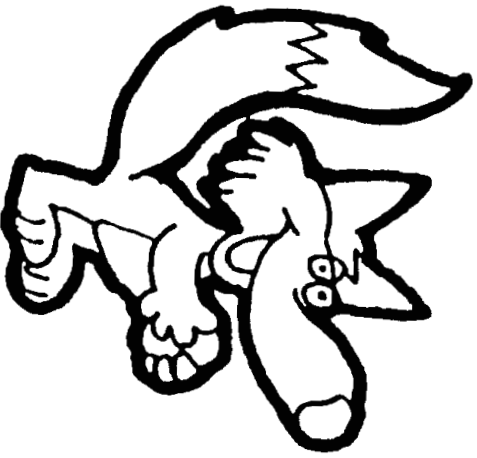
Spring

white & brown

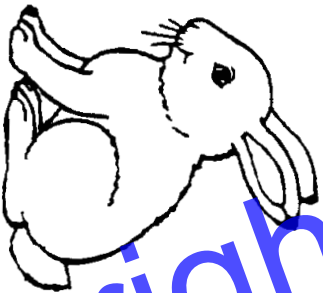


Spring

white & brown



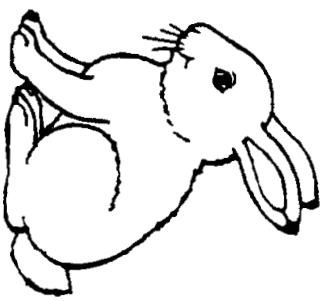
Summer brown



Summer brown



Winter white



Winter white

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Change
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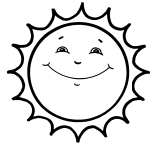


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Fox can not see rabbit.

Fox can not get rabbit.

summer



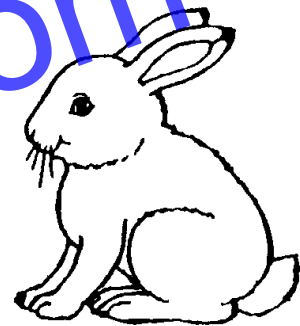
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I am a fox.

I am brown.

I can get the rabbit.

summer



2

I am a rabbit.

I am brown.

I can hide.

fall

3



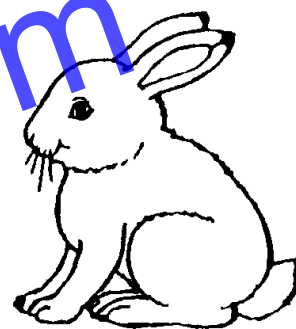
I am a fox.

I am brown and white.

I can get the rabbit.

fall

4



I am a rabbit.

I am brown and white.

I can hide.

winter

5



I am a fox.

I am white.

I can get the rabbit.

winter

6



I am a rabbit.

I am white.

I can hide.



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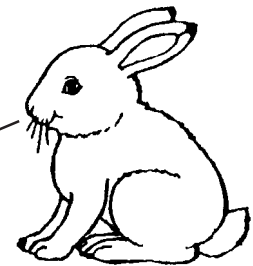
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Come to my
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I don't
think so.



7

Rabbit said, "Fox, I can hide."

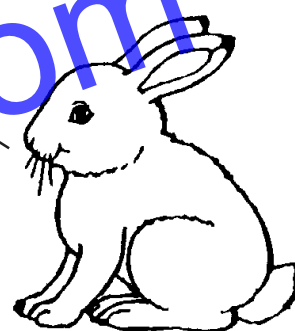
Fox said, " Rabbit, I can spy but I can
not see you ! I give up !"



1

I am
brown.

I am an arctic **fox**.
In the **summer**,
I am **brown** like the **ground**.
I can spy on the rabbit.



2

I am
brown.

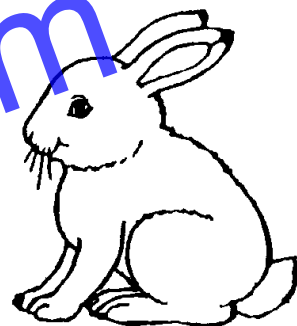
I am a snowshoe **rabbit**.
In the **summer**,
I am **brown** like the **ground**.
I can hide from the fox.

I am brown
and white.



I am an arctic fox.
In the **fall**,
I am **brown** and **white**
like the **ground** with a little **snow**.
I can spy on the rabbit.

I am brown
and white.



I am a snowshoe rabbit.
In the **fall**,
I am **brown** and **white**
like the **ground** with a little **snow**.
I can hide from the fox.



I am
white.

I am an arctic fox.
In the **winter**,
I am **white** like the **snow**.
I can spy on the rabbit.

I am
white.



I am a snowshoe rabbit.
In the **winter**,
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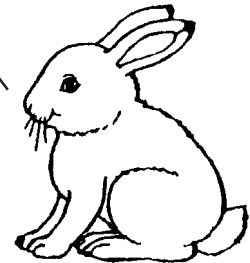
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You look good!
Would you like to
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No! You want
me to BE dinner!



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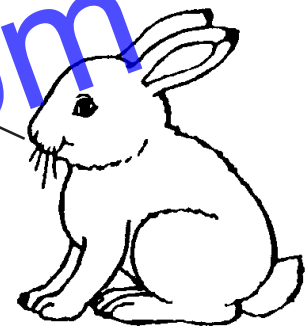
Through the year, every year, the color change goes on. Nature helps both predator and prey. Both must be smart and strong to **survive**.



I am a **predator**. I need to eat other animals to stay alive. Rabbit is my **prey**.

I am an Arctic fox. In the **summer**, my fur coat is **brown**, to match the ground. I am well **camouflaged** and can sneak up on the rabbit. I am a **carnivore**. I eat meat.

I am the Fox's prey. I don't want to be eaten today! Too bad Fox isn't an herbivore like me. I eat plants.



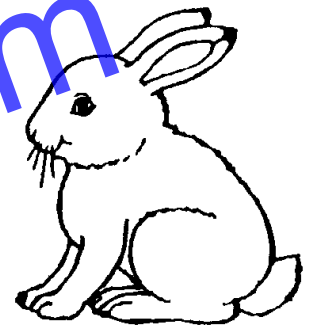
I am a snowshoe rabbit. In the **summer**, my fur coat is **brown**, the same color as the ground. I am well **camouflaged** and can hide from the fox. He'll think I'm a rock if I'm still.



Now I will be able to catch that sneaky rabbit. I know he will be delicious!

In the **fall** there is a little snow on the ground. My coat will start to get thicker and it will be a mix of brown and white to match the ground. My camouflage is still great!

Silly Fox! I can still hide from him. He will not have me for dinner!



In the **fall** my coat will start to thicken. It will be a mix of brown and white just like Fox. My camouflage is still great and, if I don't move, Fox will see me as a rock with snow on it.



I am looking for a tasty rabbit but all I see are snowballs! I'll keep looking.

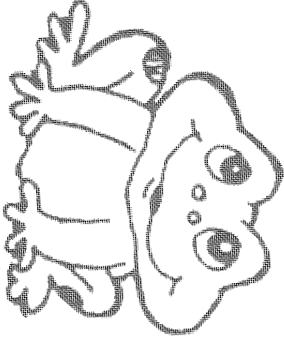
In the **winter**, white snow covers the ground. My coat is thick and warm. I don't feel the cold and I match the ground. Rabbit will not see this carnivore sneaking up on him.

Carnivores like Fox are looking for meat – not a little snowball. I'm safe!



In the **winter** my camouflage is still wonderful. If I sit still, Fox will think I am a little snowball because my coat is thick and white.

Frog



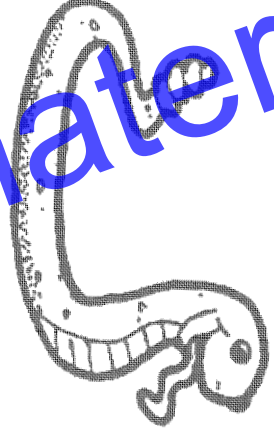
Mouse



Bear



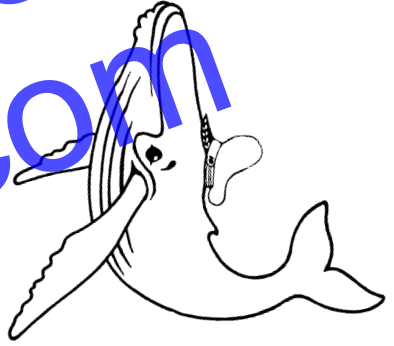
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Bird



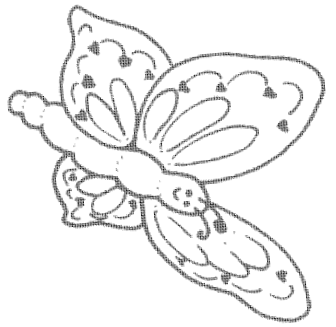
Whale



Deer



Butterfly



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Color Change

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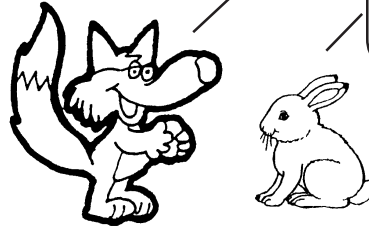
In Winter's light, snowy white.

Changing color lets rabbit hide.

Changing color lets fox spy!

My fur is good **camouflage**.
I can spy on you!

My fur is good **camouflage**.
I can hide
from you!

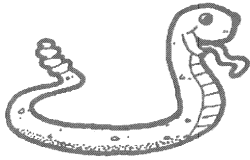


Dear Parents: Let your child share with you what we have been learning in Science: The arctic fox and the snowshoe rabbit are two of many animals that change the color of their fur or feathers as the seasons change. In the summer, their coats are thin and brown. As the weather cools in the fall their fur becomes thicker, with added white, giving them a variegated coat of brown and white. By the time snow is on the ground, their coats are heavy and pure white. As the weather warms up in the spring, they lose much of their coat, becoming variegated brown and white until they once again have a thin brown coat for the summer. This seasonal camouflage is necessary for both the predator (fox) and the prey (rabbit). Being camouflaged lets rabbit "hide" and fox "spy".

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Fatten in the fall - eat and eat!

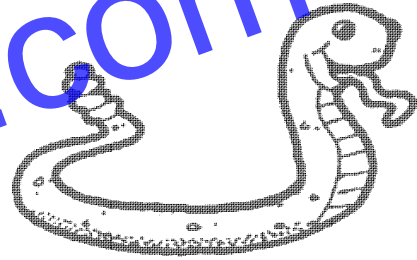
Find a cozy place to sleep.

Hibernate Hibernate - sleep and hide.

Wake when winter says, "Bye bye !"



In the fall I eat and eat.
Then I find a place to sleep all winter.
I'll **hibernate** in a **log**.
Please, make a **log** for me.



In the fall I eat and eat.
Then I find a place to sleep all winter.
I'll **hibernate** in a **pile of rocks**.
Please, make **rocks** for me.



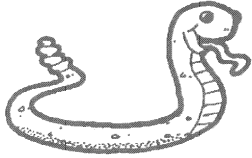
In the fall I eat and eat.
Then I find a place to sleep all winter.
I'll **hibernate** in a **pile of leaves**.
Please, make **leaves** for me.



In the fall I eat and eat.
Then I find a place to sleep all winter.
I'll **hibernate** in the **mud**
Please, make **mud** for me.



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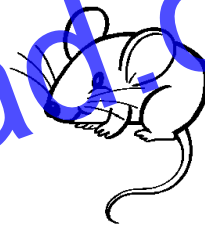
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Hibernate Hibernate – sleep and hide.

Wake when winter says, "Bye bye !"



1

In the fall I eat and eat. Then I find a place to sleep all winter. I'll **hibernate** in a hollow **log**. Please, make a **log** for me. I will climb inside and you won't see me again until spring. My cubs will be born while I am hibernating.

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2

In the fall I eat and eat. Then I find a place to sleep all winter. I'll **hibernate** in a **pile of rocks**. Please, make **rocks** for me. I will crawl under them and sleep all through the cold months.



In the fall I eat and eat. Then I find a place to sleep all winter. I'll **hibernate** in a pile of leaves. Please, make **leaves** for me. I will curl up in a little ball and go into my deep hibernating sleep.



In the fall I eat and eat. Then I find a place to sleep all winter. I'll **hibernate** in the **mud**. Please, make **mud** for me and don't do any digging! If you do dig me up, you might think that I am not alive, but I am just hibernating.

Name _____

What do they do in winter?

Hibernation

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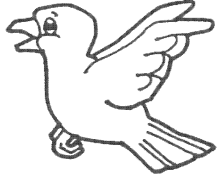
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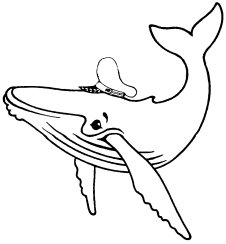
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Migrate



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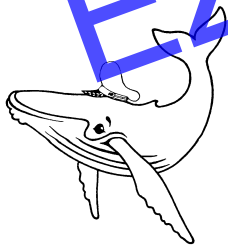


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Migrate, Migrate
Walk, swim, fly away.
Winter is too cold here .



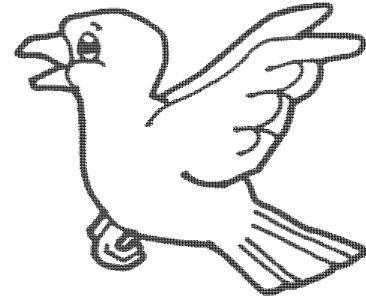
We can't find food.
When it's warmer
In the spring



We'll come back home with
Feet, fins, wings.

1

I will **fly** away.



Winter here is too cold for me.
I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**.
I will **fly** away and come back
in the spring.

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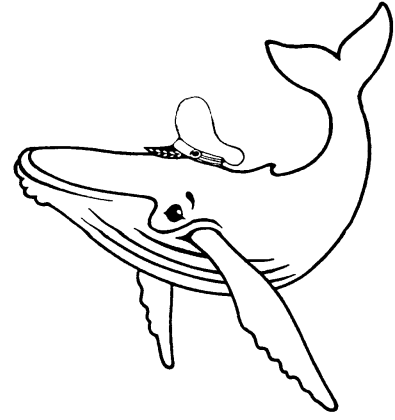
I will **walk** away.



Winter here is too cold for me.
I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**.
I will **walk** away and come back
in the spring.

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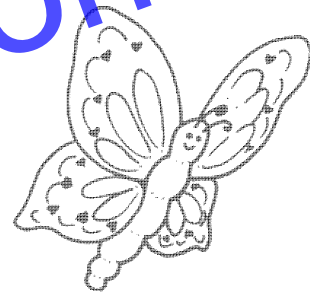
I will **swim** away.



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I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**.
I will **swim** away and come back
in the spring.

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I will **fly** away.



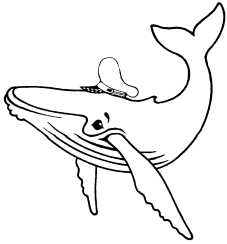
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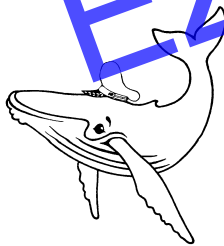
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Winter is too cold here .



We can't find food.

When it's warmer

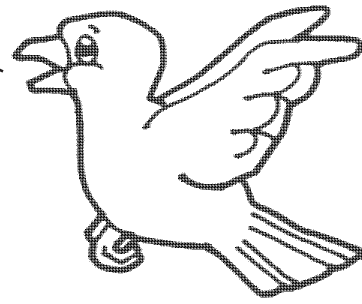
In the spring



We'll come back home with

Feet, fins, wings.

I will **fly** away!



1

Winter here is too cold for me. I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**. I will **fly** away with my **flock** and come back in the spring. Sometimes I will fly all night and never stop to rest.

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I will **walk** away!



2

Winter here is too cold for me.

I will **migrate** south to a **warmer place**. I will **walk** away with my **herd** and come back in the spring. I don't like **fences**. Fences next to freeways and around small lakes and ponds make it hard for me as I travel many miles.

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What do they do in winter?

Migration

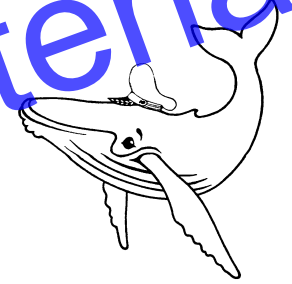
Migrate, Migrate. Walk, swim, fly away.

Winter is too cold here. We can't find food.

When it's warmer in the spring

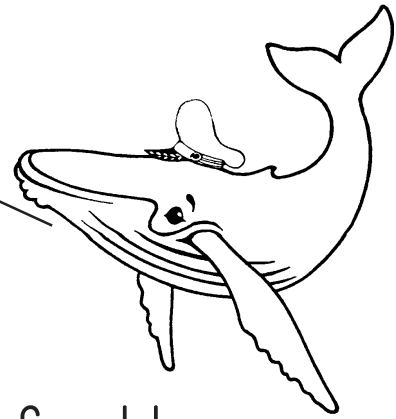
We'll come back home with feet, fins, wings.

Dear Parents: Let your child share with you what we have been learning in Science: The deer, whale, bird and butterfly are some of the animals that migrate from season to season. Many travel long distances to spend the winter months in areas where the weather is warmer, there is more food or a better place to have their young than their "home" territory. A typical migration is for a group of animals to leave their home territory to spend the winter in a warmer place and return home in the spring. In our northern hemisphere, warmer generally means closer to the equator so we think of "going south for the winter". In the southern hemisphere, of course, it would be "going north for the winter." These migratory routes have remained the same for thousands of years.



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I will **swim** away!

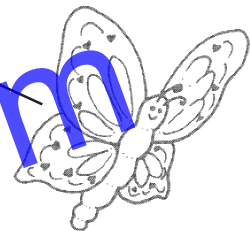


Winter here is too cold for me.

I came because there is a lot of food here.

Now, I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**. I will be sure to leave before the ice begins to form on the water's surface. I will **swim** away with my **pod** and come back in the spring.

I will **fly** away!



Winter here is too cold for me.

I will **migrate** to a **warmer place**. I will **fly** away and come back in the spring. Then I will lay my eggs on a special plant. My baby **larva** (**caterpillars**) will hatch and eat the leaf.

When they are big, they will each form a **chrysalis** and go through **metamorphosis**. They will change into butterflies that look like me!



What Do They Do
In Winter?



**Change
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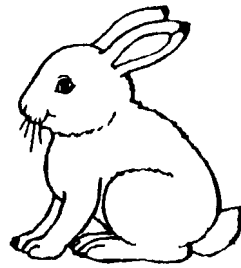
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I am
brown.

It is **summer**.

I am a **fox**.

I am **brown**.

I can see the rabbit.

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I am
brown.



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It is **summer**.

I am a **rabbit**.

I am **brown**.

I can hide. Fox can't see me.

3

I am brown
and white.



It is **fall**.

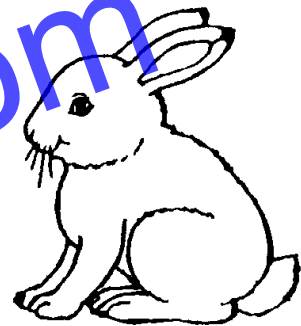
I am a **fox**.

I am **brown** and **white**.

I can see the rabbit.

4

I am brown
and white.



It is **fall**.

I am a **rabbit**.

I am **brown** and **white**.

I can hide. Fox can't see me.



I am
white.

It is **winter**.

I am a **fox**.

I am **white**.

I can see the rabbit.

I am
white.

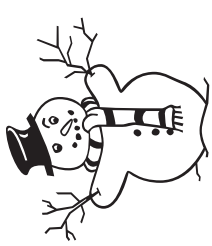
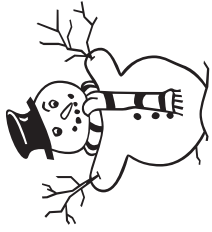


It is **winter**.

I am a **rabbit**.

I am **white**.

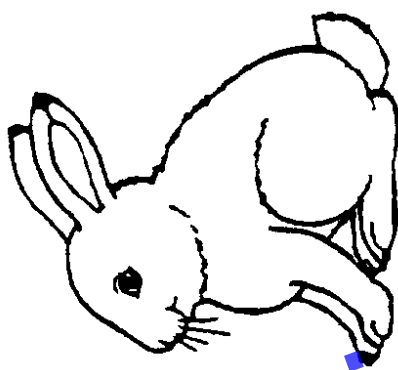
I can hide. Fox can't see me.



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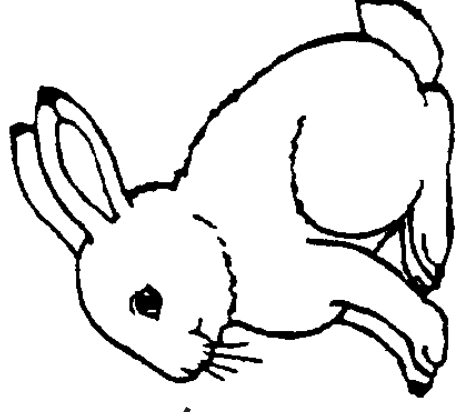
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brown.

I am an arctic fox.

In the summer, I am brown
like the ground.

I can spy on the rabbit.

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I am
brown.

I am a snowshoe rabbit.

In the summer, I am

brown like the **ground**.

I can hide from the fox.

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I am brown
and white.

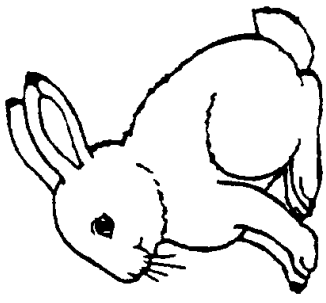


I am an arctic fox.

In the fall, I am brown

and white like the ground with
a little snow.

I can spy on the rabbit!



I am brown
and white.

I am a snowshoe rabbit.

In the fall, I am **brown**

and **white** like the ground
with a little **snow**.

I can hide from the fox.



I am
white.

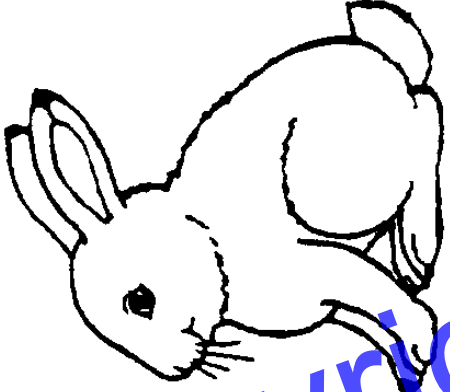
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I am an arctic fox.

In the **winter**, I am

white like the **snow**.

I can spy on the **rabbit**.



I am
white.

I am a snowshoe rabbit.

In the winter, I am

white like the **snow**.

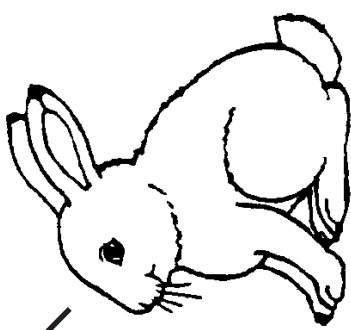
I can hide from the fox.

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I give up !

Good !



Rabbit said,

"Fox, I can hide!"

Fox said, "Rabbit,

I can spy but I can **not**

see you ! I give up !

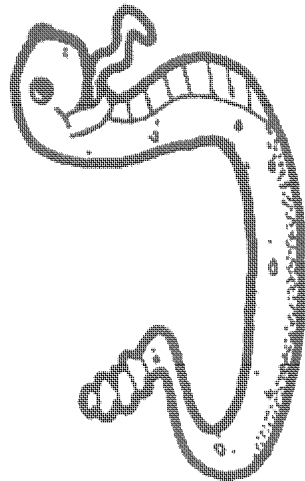
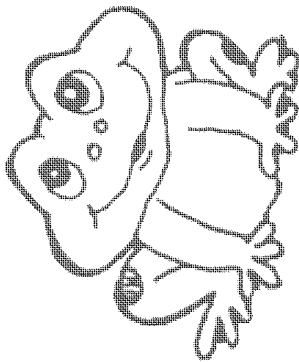
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Hibernate



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In the fall I eat and eat.

Then I find a place to
sleep all winter.

I'll hibernate in a log.

Please, make

a log for me.



In the fall I eat and eat.

Then I find a place to
sleep all winter.

I'll hibernate in a pile of
rocks. Please make
rocks for me.



In the fall I eat and eat.

Then I find a place to
sleep all winter.

I'll hibernate in a pile of
leaves. Please, make
leaves for me.



In the fall I eat and eat.

Then I find a place to

sleep all winter.

I'll hibernate in the mud.

Please, make

mud for me.



Fatten in the fall.



eat and eat!

Find a cozy place to sleep.

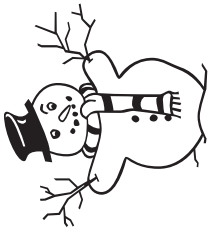
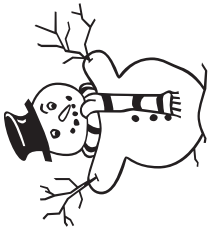
Hibernate Hibernates

sleep and hide.

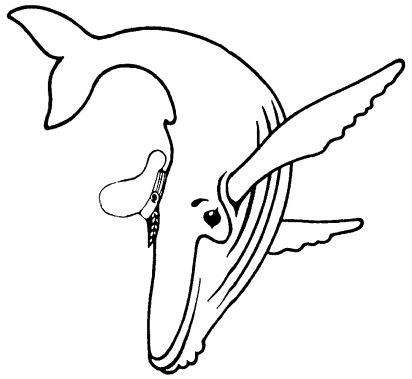
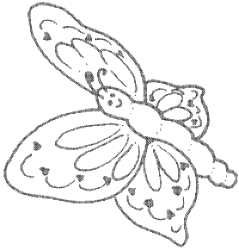
Wake when winter says,

"Bye bye !"





What Do They Do In Winter ? Migrate



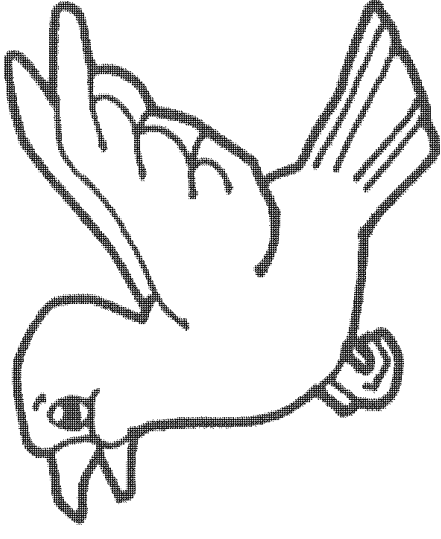
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I will fly
away.

Winter here is too cold for me.

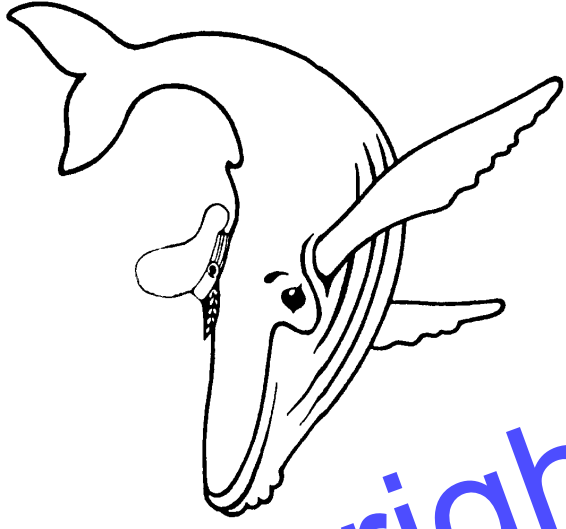
I will migrate to a warmer
place. I will fly away and
come back in the spring.

I will **walk**
away.



Winter here is too cold for me.

I will **migrate** to a warmer
place. I will **walk** away and
come back in the spring.



I will **swim**
away.

Winter here is too cold for me.

I will **migrate** to a warmer
place. I will **swim** away and
come back in the spring.



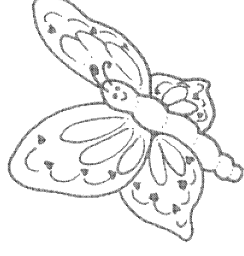
I will fly
away.

Winter here is too cold for me.

I will **migrate** to a **warmer**
place. I will **fly** away and
come back in the spring.



5



Migrate, Migrate

Walk, swim, fly away.

Winter is too cold here .

We can't find food.

When it's warmer

In the spring

We'll come back home with

Feet, fins, wings!

