

Directions for ABC Arctic Book

*THIS IS A GROUP PROJECT. EACH CHILD DOES **ONE** LETTER ONLY*

- Students will create a collage / watercolor/ watercolor pencil picture for each of the letters of the alphabet that relate to the Arctic
- Students should see examples of other ABC Books

Materials:

- examples of ABC Books
- photos of the Arctic and arctic animals
- chart paper
- marker to write words A–Z down
- white sketch paper

If creating:

- **COLLAGE**
 - Small pieces of colored construction paper
 - Large piece of construction paper for base
 - Scissors
 - Glue
- **WATERCOLORS**
 - Pencils to sketch
 - Watercolor pallets
 - Watercolor paper
- **WATERCOLOR PENCILS**
 - Pencils to sketch
 - Watercolor pencils
 - Watercolor paper approx 8X10

Directions:

- Develop a chart with 26 lines
 - Write the letters of the alphabet down the chart
 - There should be room for more than one word on a line
 - Begin to fill in as many words as possible that are related to the Arctic
 - Be sure you have a word for each letter

- Some letters may have a lot of words
 - arctic, adaptation, arctic hare, aurora
- Some letters like “X” may not have a beginning letter
 - **e**xtr~~e~~me weather
- Class decides which of the 26 words would be best to illustrate
- Review ABC books you have gathered from your school, library or online and decide what format your ABC book will take
 - Format Possibilities
 - **“A is For Arch Bridges”**
 - *Did You Know*
 - *Rhyme*
 - *Riddle*
 - *Plain text*
- Each child then selects his/her letter and word
 - Have the child select their top 3 words. Teacher assigns a word off of those top 3.
- Each child drafts his/her **text** on a scrap paper — then edits
- Each child sketches his/her **picture** on a scrap paper
- Each child gets his/her project paper
- Students illustrate letter page – collage or watercolors
- Pages are displayed separately for the celebration, then bound into a book