

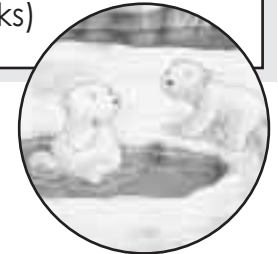
The *Little Polar Bear* started life in the pages of 14 books written by a man called Hans de Beer. Lars, the Little Polar Bear, is now the star of a film and of a cartoon series shown on CBeebies!

Here are some of the words from one of Hans de Beer's books:



'It was a big day for Lars. He was going with his father on his first hunting trip. Lars was white all over, just like his father. In fact, at the North Pole where Lars lived everything was white because it was covered in ice and snow.'

(The Little Polar Bear, written and illustrated by Hans de Beer, North-South Books)



## TASK

Words on a page can be made into a film by turning them into moving pictures.

Draw a picture to show how you think the words here would look in the film.



## AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN THE FILM

Did the film remind you of the books? What was the same? What was different?

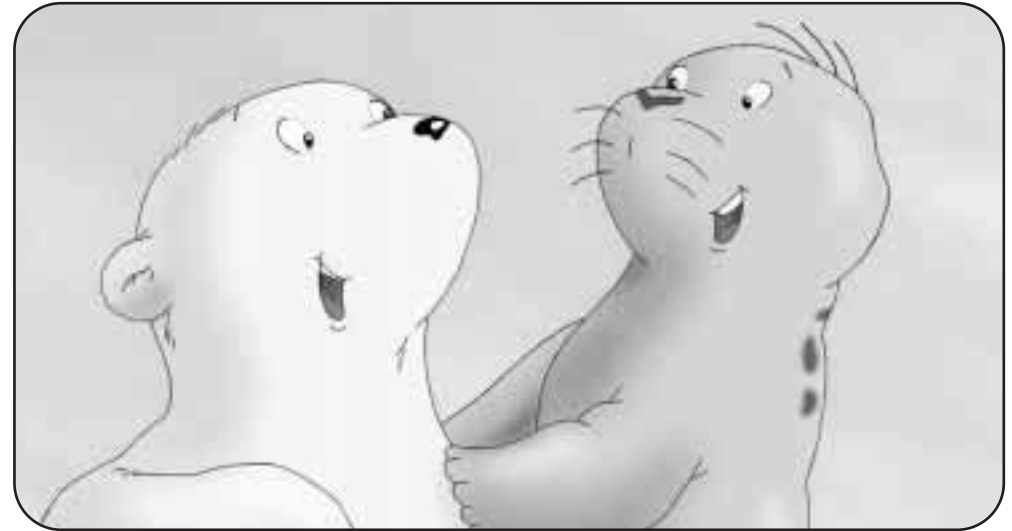


The Little Polar Bear's name is Lars. In the film, he makes friends with a seal called Robby.

Here is a picture of Lars and Robby.

The *Little Polar Bear* is an animated film.

An animated film is made up of lots and lots of pictures that are drawn by a team of artists, called animators. Before they began to draw the characters for the film *Little Polar Bear*, the animators made models of Lars and Robby to help them to remember what they look like.



## TASK

Make plasticine models of Lars and Robby playing together on the ice, then draw them as if you were an animator.



## AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN THE FILM

Why are Lars and Robby not meant to be friends?



In the film *The Little Polar Bear* Lars gets lost when an iceberg that he is sleeping on drifts into the ocean. Luckily, he is taken home by a whale.



## TASK

Imagine taking a journey through the sea on the back of a whale.

Draw what you would see under the waves!

### EXTENSION

Draw a storyboard cartoon showing Lars and the whale travelling together.

Then, pretend to be Lars and the whale with a friend. What sort of things do you think they would say to each other?



### AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN THE FILM

How did Lars feel when he found out that he was lost? Have you ever felt that way? Who helped you to feel better? Write a thank you letter to that person.



# WHERE HAVE ALL THE FISH GONE?

When Lars comes back home, he finds that all of the fish have gone from the sea. He finds out that a man-made machine is gobbling them all up.



## TASK

What would happen if all of the fish vanished?  
Which animals and sea life would this affect?  
How would human beings be affected?  
What can we do to protect our fish?



## AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN THE FILM

How does Lars save the fish?

