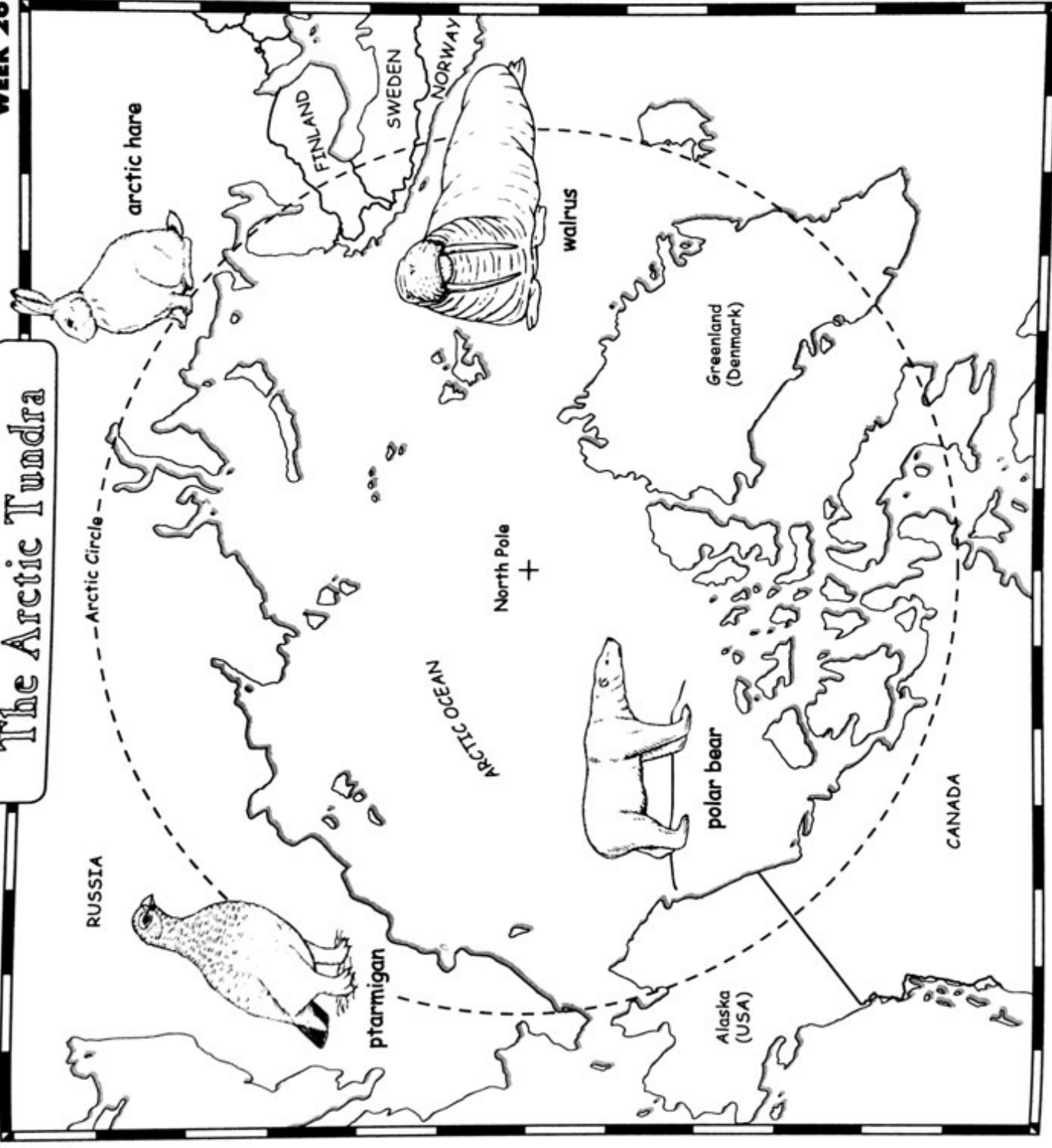


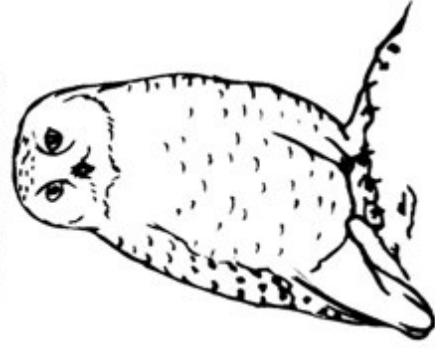
# The Arctic Tundra



**P**lants and animals live together in a cold, dry region called the Arctic tundra. The Arctic tundra is located in the northern parts of Alaska, Canada, Finland, Greenland, Norway, Russia, and Sweden.

The tundra area has long, cold winters, and short, cool summers. Small, strong plants such as lichens and mosses can grow there. Large animals such as caribou roam the land. Smaller animals such as arctic foxes

and hares grow white winter coats. Birds include snowy owls and ptarmigans, plus many more. Seals, walruses, and polar bears are found along the coasts.



snowy owl



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## Monday

1. What is the *Arctic tundra*?

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2. Which labeled states, countries, or territories are part of the Arctic tundra?

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## Tuesday

1. Describe the winters and summers in the Arctic tundra.

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2. Name a large land animal that is common in the Arctic tundra.

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## Wednesday

1. Which animals are common along the coasts of the Arctic tundra?

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2. What kinds of plants can grow in the Arctic tundra? In which season can you find most plants?

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## Thursday

1. The Arctic tundra region is in which continents?  
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2. Which island is located in the Arctic region but belongs to a country located outside the Arctic region?  
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## Friday

1. The map is a *polar projection map*. What does this kind of map show?  
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2. Which point on the map is in the center of the Arctic Circle?  
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## Challenge

Animals have to adapt to the harsh climate of the tundra. Take the quiz below. Match the animals to the ways they adapt to the environment. Cut the quiz out and glue it to the back of the map. Use an encyclopedia or other reference to help you.

### Animals

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. hare
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. polar bear
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. ptarmigan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. walrus

### Adaptations

- a. has feet covered in feathers
- b. stores fat called blubber
- c. grows two layers of fur
- d. has snowshoe feet