

Suggested Reading List Elementary Students

Bad Bears Go Visiting (Irving & Muktuk Story) by Daniel Pinkwater and Jill Pinkwater, Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2007. A fun, whimsical series about two mischievous polar bears who are always getting into trouble. Reading level 4-8.

Face to Face with Polar Bears by Norbert Rosing with Elizabeth Carney. National Geographic for Kids, 2009. Nonfiction, part of the Face to Face with Animals series, with interesting facts and gorgeous photographs. Reading level 4-8.

Little Polar Bear by Hans de Beer, NorthSouth. Classic series of beautifully illustrated children's books featuring Lars the polar bear. Reading level 4-8.

A Polar Bear Night of Stars & Light by Jennifer Labella, Windermere House Publishing, 2008. The enchanting story of two polar bear cubs who become separated from their mother on a snowy day. Award-winning book with lovely illustrations. Reading level 4-8.

Polar Polka by Cherie Stihler. Sasquatch Books, 2008. Playful words, fun illustrations, and a bouncing rhythm help young readers learn to count. The story includes a gentle conservation message. Reading level 4-8.

The Polar Bear Son: An Inuit Tale by Lydia Dabovich, Sandpiper, 1999. An elderly Inuit woman adopts an orphaned polar bear cub that provides food for her as it grows up. A wonderful tale of love and loyalty. Reading level 4-8.

Portia Polar Bear's Birthday Wish by Margie K. Carroll with photos by Daniel J. Cox, Natural Exposures, 2010. The heartwarming story of a polar bear cub who comes to realize she isn't like everybody else. Children meet one of nature's most charismatic animals and learn to accept those who are different. Splendid photography. Reading level 4-8.

Santa Goes Green by Anne Margaret Lewis, Mackinac Island Press, 2008. Travel with Finn, a red-headed boy, as he enlists Santa's help on a journey to save a polar bear and his arctic home. A gentle, engaging story that makes the point that each of us can make a difference. Reading level 4-8.

Winston of Churchill by Jean Davies Okimoto. Sasquatch Books, 2007. In this funny and heartwarming book, Winston the polar bear rallies his fellow bears to convince humans to save their arctic home. Charming illustrations and a good conservation message. Reading level 4-8.