



LO: I can retrieve facts from non-fiction texts

- I can retrieve facts
- I can jot down important information



Starter:

Look at the picture on your table.

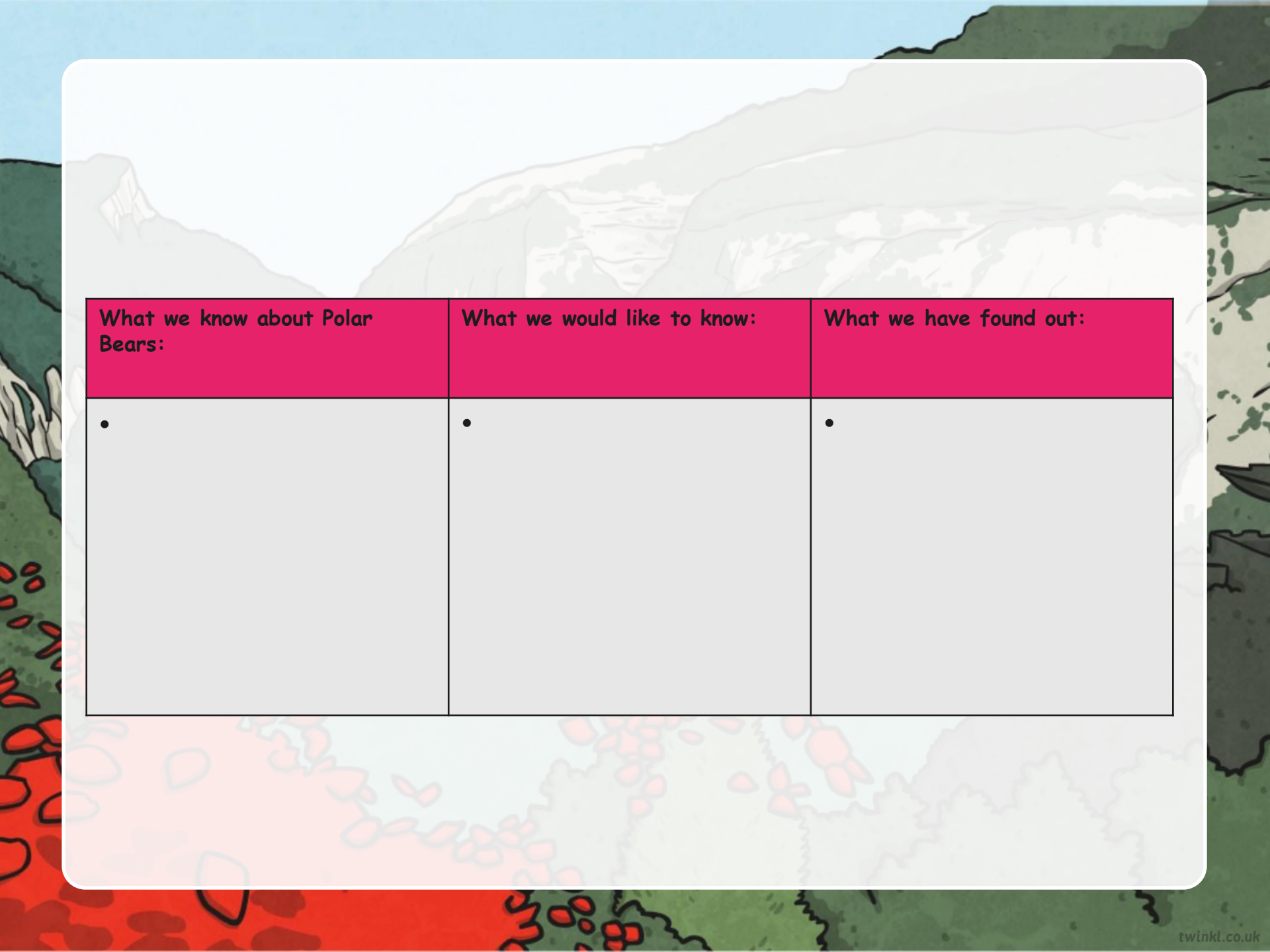
What do you notice?

How does this illustration of the polar bear compare to what we know about polar bears in the wild?

What do you know about polar bears already?

Has anybody seen a polar bear in real life or in a film?

What would you like to know?



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'Fascinating facts'

Polar Animals

Polar Bears

Polar bears are very large, meat-eating mammals that can be found in the Arctic. Mammals are animals with fur and warm blood. Fully-grown polar bears can measure over 2.5m long and weigh around 700kg. They are not like other bears because they spend most of their lives swimming and hunting on ice for food. They only come onto land to have babies.

Polar bear cubs stay in their dens for up to five months after they are born and stay with their mums for up to 2 years after that.



Wow!

Polar bears are strong swimmers, using their huge feet like paddles to push through the water. They can swim for hours to get from one piece of ice to another.

Polar bears live at the very top of our planet, and it is bitterly cold there. Water and steam will freeze almost instantly in the Arctic in winter. Thankfully, polar bears are adapted for this environment. They have a thick layer of fat which keeps heat trapped inside their bodies. They also have a thick coat that keeps them warm and also helps them to blend in with the snow. Despite how it might look, a polar bear's fur isn't really white. It's actually transparent (see-through) and it reflects light to look white.



Re-read the information from last lesson on Polar animals to refresh your memory.

Have you learned anymore facts about polar bears?

Add your facts to your table.

Add any extra facts to your table.

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