4th Grade Informational: Animals and Their Surroundings

Task Prompt: Write an informational article on animals and their habitats using information and details from the sources. Choose the most important information from the sources to support your main idea. Use your own words except when quoting directly from the sources.

Special Creatures

Animals are very special creatures. For us, humans, to survive in burning hot deserts, and freezing cold snow, and the deep and dark ocean, it would be almost impossible without tools. But with animals, all they need is a little help from nature, and then they can survive. If you want to know how, keep reading. Many animals can survive in the a cold freezing place. Such as, Polar Bears, Ice Fish, Penguins, and Whales. But those are just a few. Ice Fish have a special protein in their bodies which keeps them from freezing and keeps ice crystals from forming in their bodies. But Polar Bears, Penguins, and Whales have a diffrent survival tactic. They have multipule layers of fat or blubber that keeps them warm and toasty. But they still have some more tricks up their blubber and fat. For penguins, a big group hug with a few other penguin buddys, is all they need to stay warm. Polar Bears are a diffrent story though, they dig up the best den they can. Finally safe from the sharp icy winds, they go in their den to have a good long sleep through the winter. But Whales dont stick around long to wait for the winter to get colder. They flee from the cold water to get to nice, warm water.

Then they're warm and toasty. Deserts are a diffrent story though. Many animals in the desert only come out during the night when it's cool. In the day time, they stay underground, so the sun doesn't shine on them and make them hot. These animals include, snakes, lizards, mice, and squirrels. Elf owls live in tall, saguaro cactus. The cactus has natural air conditioning because the cactus' walls are full of water it stores for months. But the ocean is the exact opposite of the desert. But, it can be a really tough place to live in. If it's dark, then it is going to be cold. Crabs live in the ocean too. There's also all kinds of fish too. Now you should understand how special animals are. Now you also know how they survive in their enviorment. Wether its the schorching hot desert, the cold ocean, or the freezing artic, they can always find a way to survive