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I am snow bear. I am sea bear. I am white bear. I wander far and wide, king in my wild white wilderness.





The snow has darkened around me again. I have dug my den deep into the mountainside. Here I am warm. Here I shall dream away the winter . . .

There will be plenty of hopping hares to pounce on. But hares are tricky. Plenty of frisking foxes. But foxes are fast. Plenty of wallowing walrus. But walrus are big.



Seals are slow. Seals are best. I stalk them silently. Silently. I am snow bear in a world of white and they cannot see me coming. But one sound, and a seal slips away into the sea.



A seal in the sea is slippery quick. Narwhals and beluga whales are strong, too strong.

