

First Adventures

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49 climbed out of the den using her sharp claws
54 to help grip the ice.



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69 down a steep slope and could not stop. Thud!
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86 powdery magic. A noise from a pile of snow
94 made her jump in fright before a familiar,
102 black nose popped out. "Pongo!" she cried as
110 she dived on top of her cheeky brother.

Questions



1. How does Petra grip the ice?



2. What do you think the words **soft**, **powdery magic** describe?



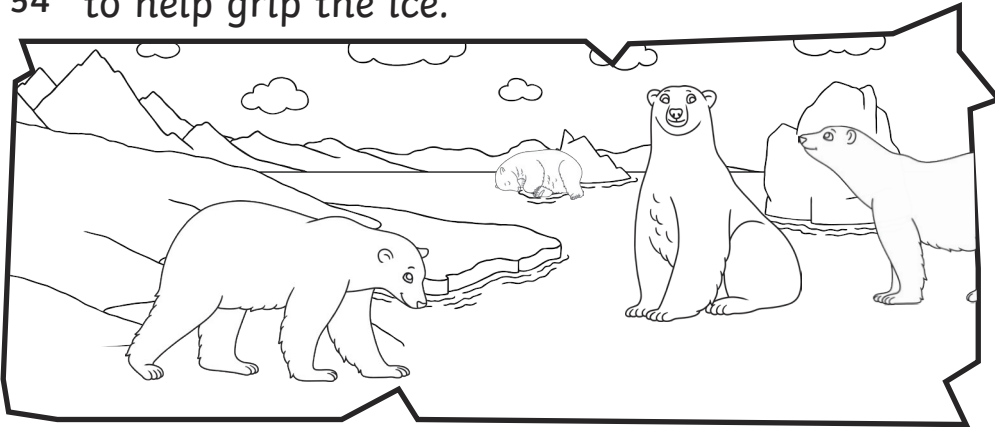
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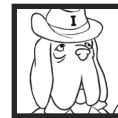
1. How does Petra grip the ice?
Petra uses her sharp claws to grip the ice.



2. What do you think the words **soft, powdery magic** describe?
I think the words soft, powdery magic describe the snow.



3. What do you think will happen next in the story?
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that the cubs' mum will come to find them and take them back to the den.



4. Why do you think Petra might have tumbled down the slope?
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Petra tumbled because her brother pushed her as he wanted to play.