

Growing Up in Alaska: A Baby Arctic Tern

Observation and Memory Activity



Introduction:

Growing up in Alaska: A Baby Arctic Tern by Constance Taylor takes children through the hatching and growth of a baby Arctic Tern.

With this activity, using scenes from the book, older children will practice observation and short-term memory.

Instructions:

- Give the children a specific amount of time to study the picture on the next page, perhaps 30 or 60 seconds.
- At the end of the time, cover the picture.
- Ask children to write their own detailed description of everything they can remember, or use questions to test their memory.

Sample Questions:

- How many pictures are there?
- How many pictures of a baby tern and how many pictures of a grown tern are there?
- Describe the different things the tern is doing in the pictures.
- Describe what the tern is eating.
- Describe the different places where you see the tern.

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