

Where BJÖRN Belongs



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Arthur didn't like Christmas: the noisy school plays, the bright flashing lights, and busy crowded streets. Everything felt different.

So he'd carry Barney, his little polar bear, wherever he went. But as he rushed home with mum from the bustling town . . .

"Oh no!" Arthur shouted. "Barney's MISSING!"

"Maybe we can ask Father Christmas for a new one," Mum replied gently.

"OK," Arthur agreed, trying his best to stay calm. "But a new bear will NEVER be the same as Barney. If he DOES bring one, I promise, I'll NEVER let it go again. Ever!"

So, together, they worked hard on Arthur's letter . . .

Dear Father Christmas,
PLEASE may I have a new polar bear, because I lost my old one. I promise to look after it. By the way, my wish is to be an arctic explorer when I grow up. Thanks. From Arthur.
Also, I am five.

As he finished the letter and found his special stripy envelope (so that it would reach the North Pole) Arthur couldn't wait for his Arctic collection to be complete once more.



It was Christmas morning. Arthur woke up first, to find a small box under the tree – but as he opened the curtains, Arthur was amazed to find ...



... the arctic, in HIS garden!
Maybe Christmas wasn't so bad?
And bouncing on the crispy white snow ...

... was a REAL polar bear!



Arthur pulled on his wellies and raced out.