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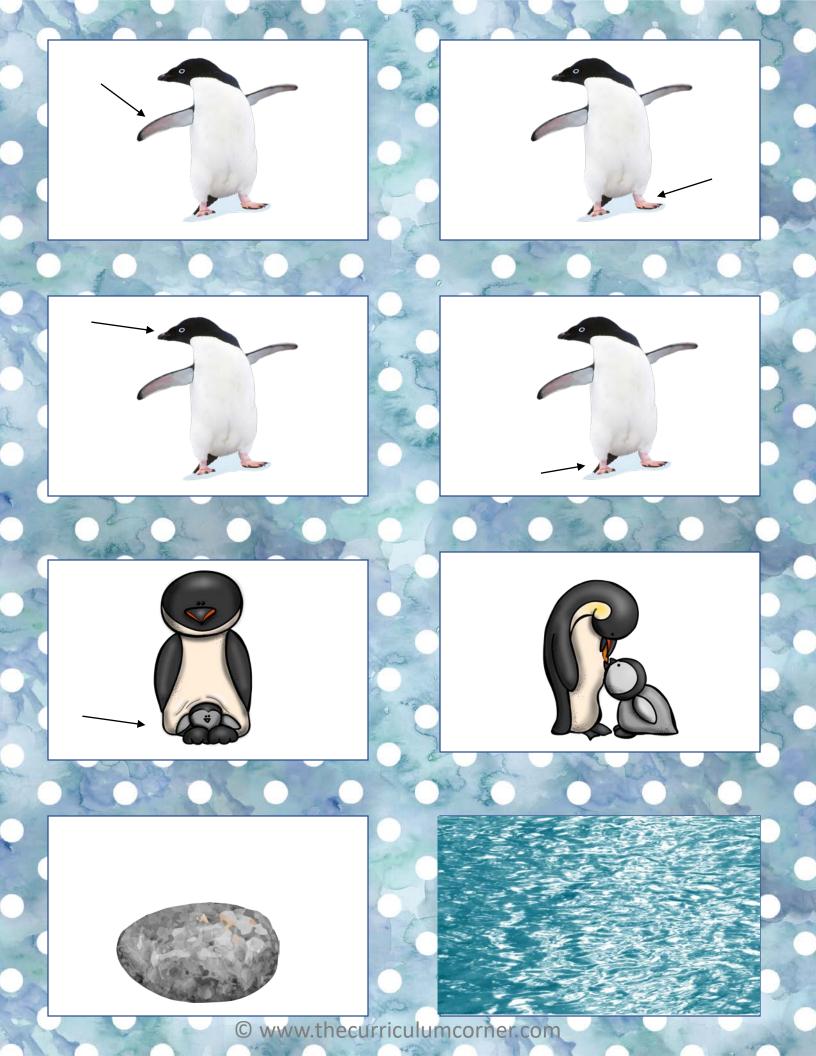
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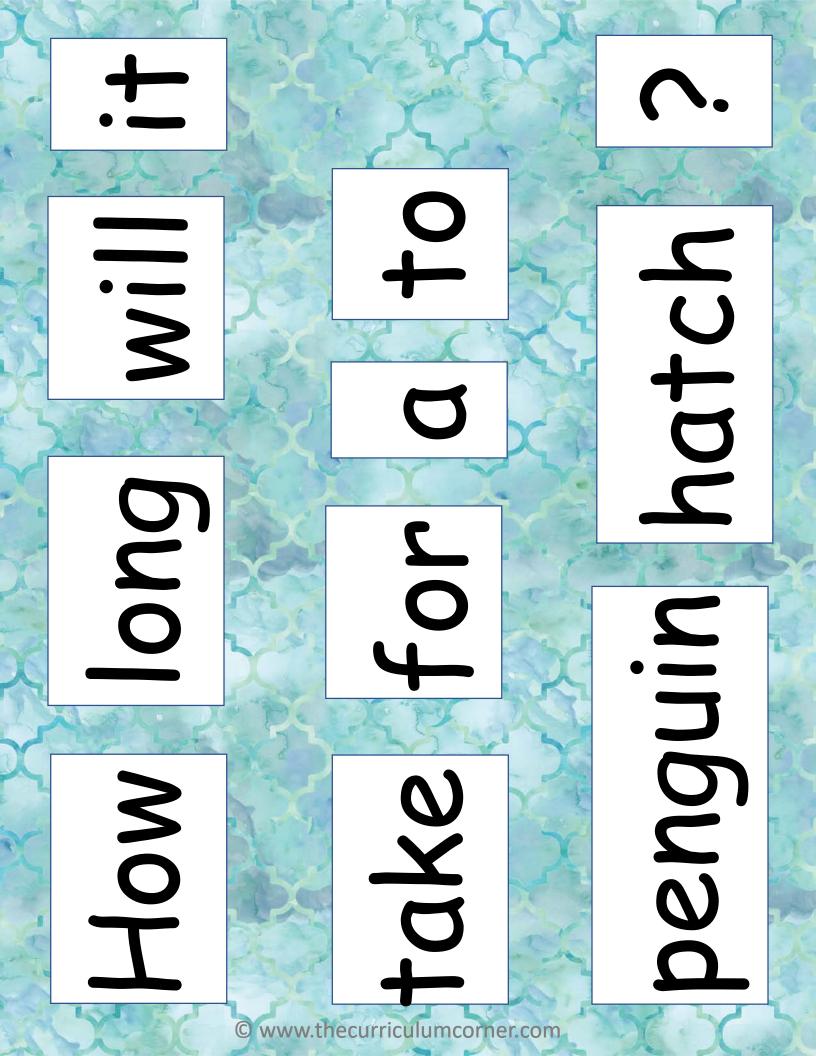
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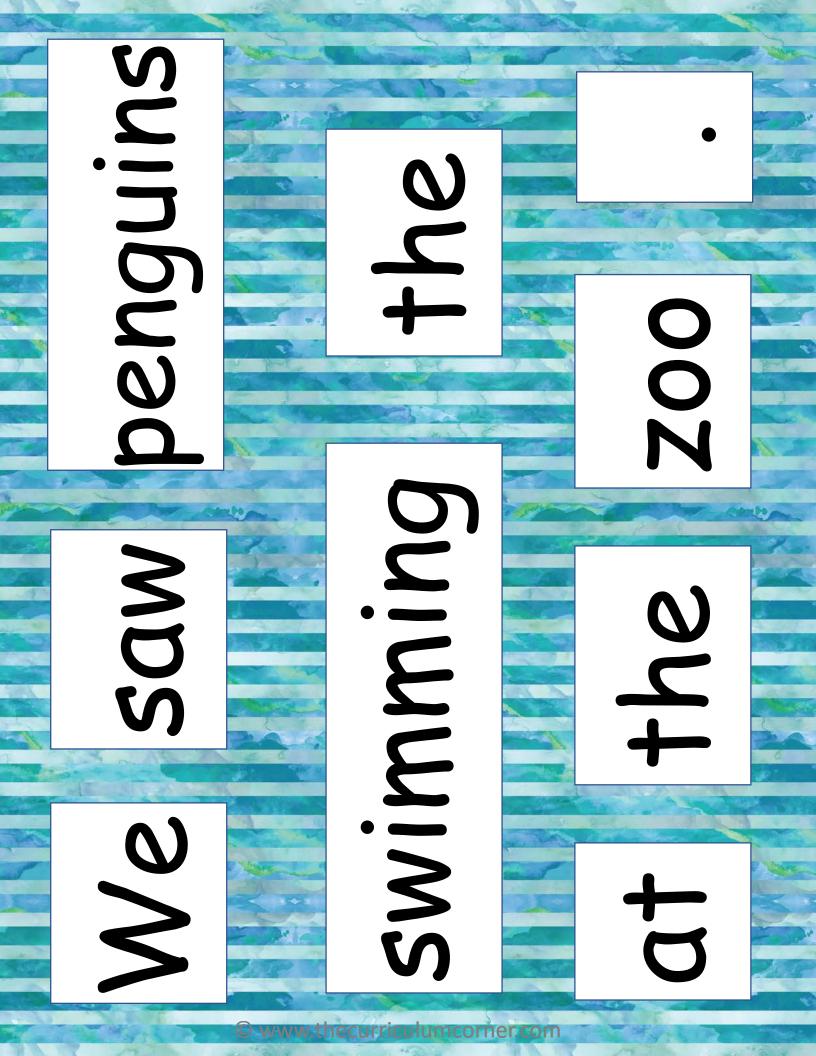


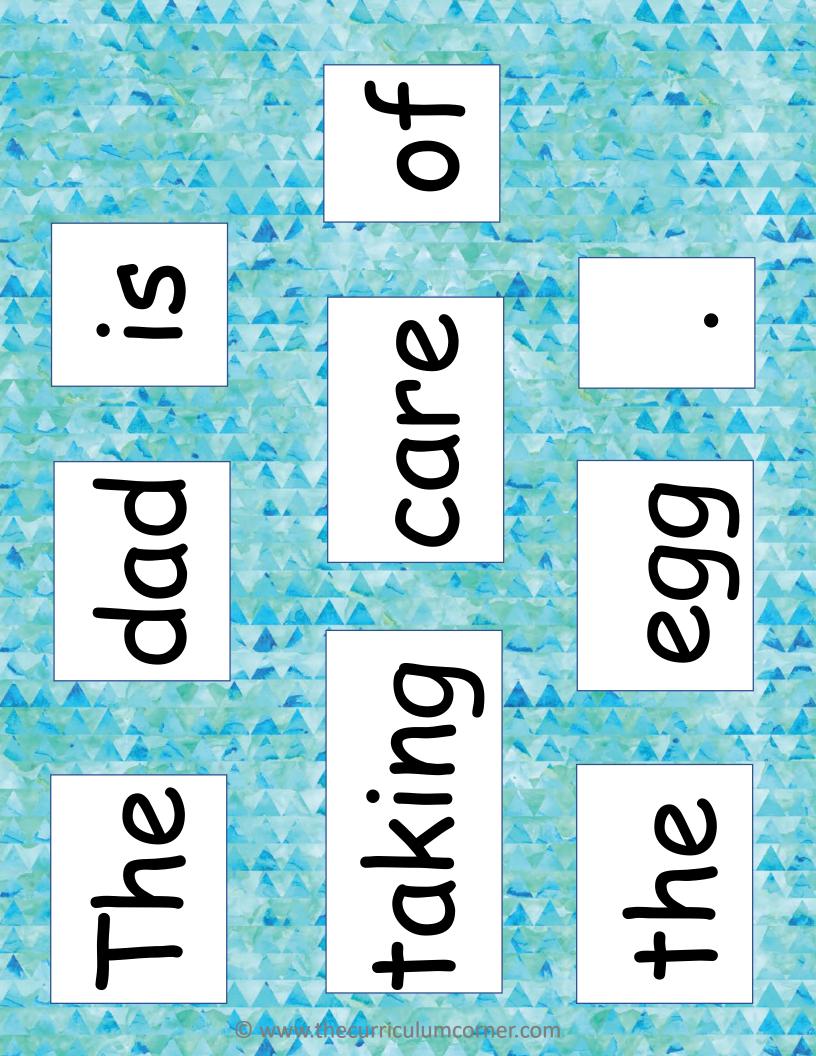












Penguins are flightless, aquatic birds. They are unique because they cannot fly but they can swim!

> Most penguins live in large groups called colonies. They are very social birds.

Penguins find their food in the water. They eat krill, fish and squid.

The Galapagos penguin is endangered. They live near the equator on the Galapagos Islands.

Penguins mostly live in the Southern Hemisphere. Some places they can be found are South America, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

Penguins are birds but they cannot fly. Instead, they get around by swimming. They are the fastest swimmers of any birds.

The largest of all penguins is the Emperor Penguin. They are about 45 inches tall!

Penguins living in cold environments work together to survive. They huddle together to stay warm and escape the wind.

Male penguins take care of eggs. They will balance the egg on their feet and cover them with their brood pouch. This brood pouch is feathered skin.

Female penguins hunt while the male is taking care of the eggs. When the mom returns to the nest, she will regurgitate food to feed her new chicks.

Many people think that penguins only live in places that are cold. This isn't true! Some penguins do live in icy places like Antarctica, but not all of them.

The smallest penguin is known as the Little Penguin. They grow to be only 13 to 15 inches tall.

Task Card #1

Pick a book from the basket to read with a partner.

Task Card #2

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Practice reading the fluency strips.

Task Card #3



Write what you know about penguins. Use the word cards to help you.

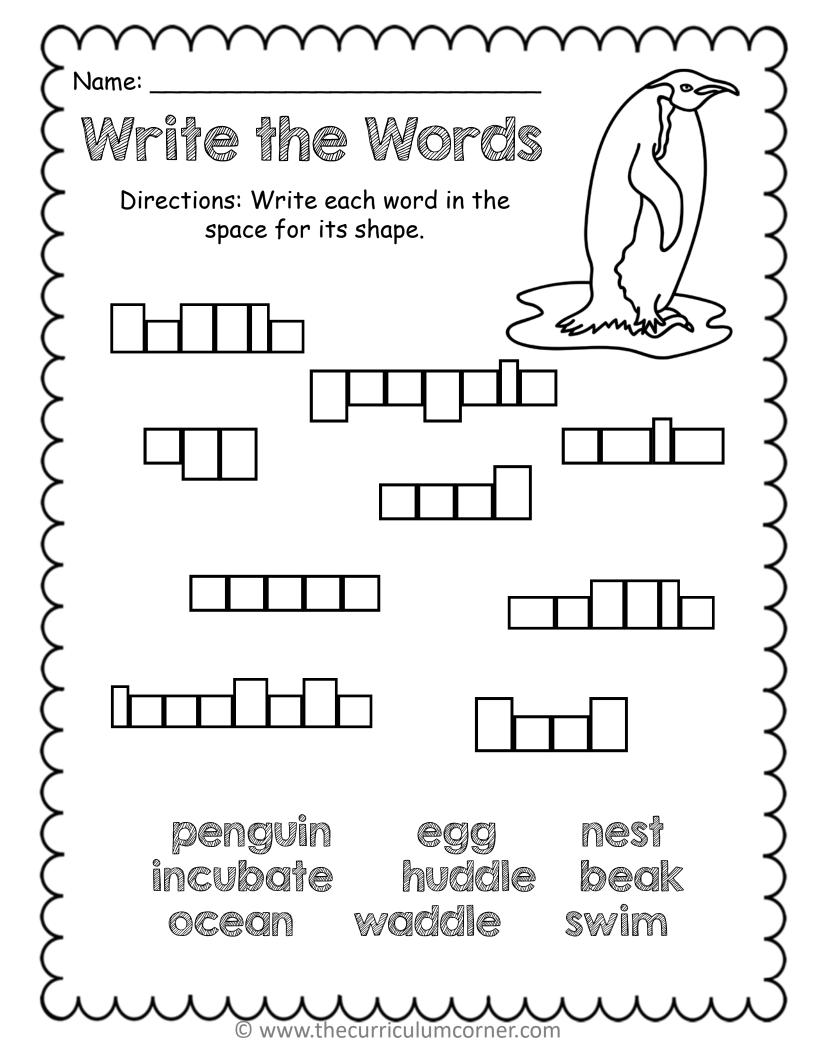
Task Card #4 Make your own penguin word cards. Add two new words and pictures to the word card collection.

Task Card #5

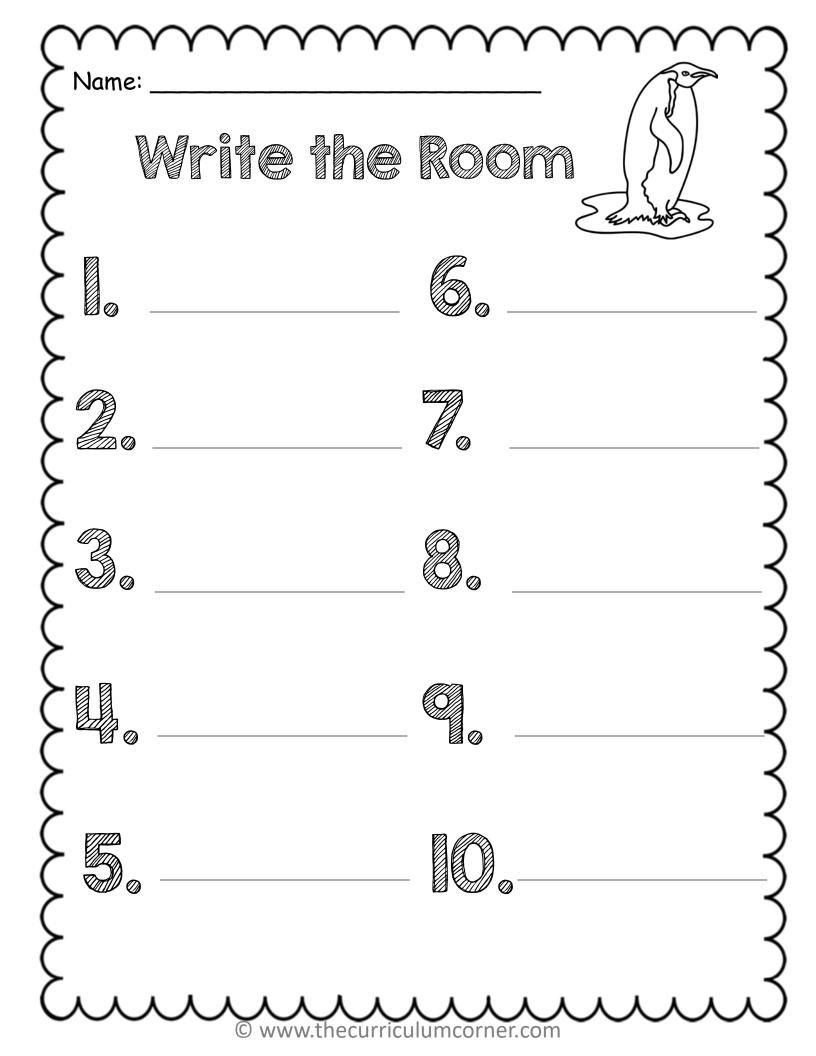
Label a picture of a penguin. Use the word cards to help you. Can you add interesting facts about penguins to your picture?

Task Card #6

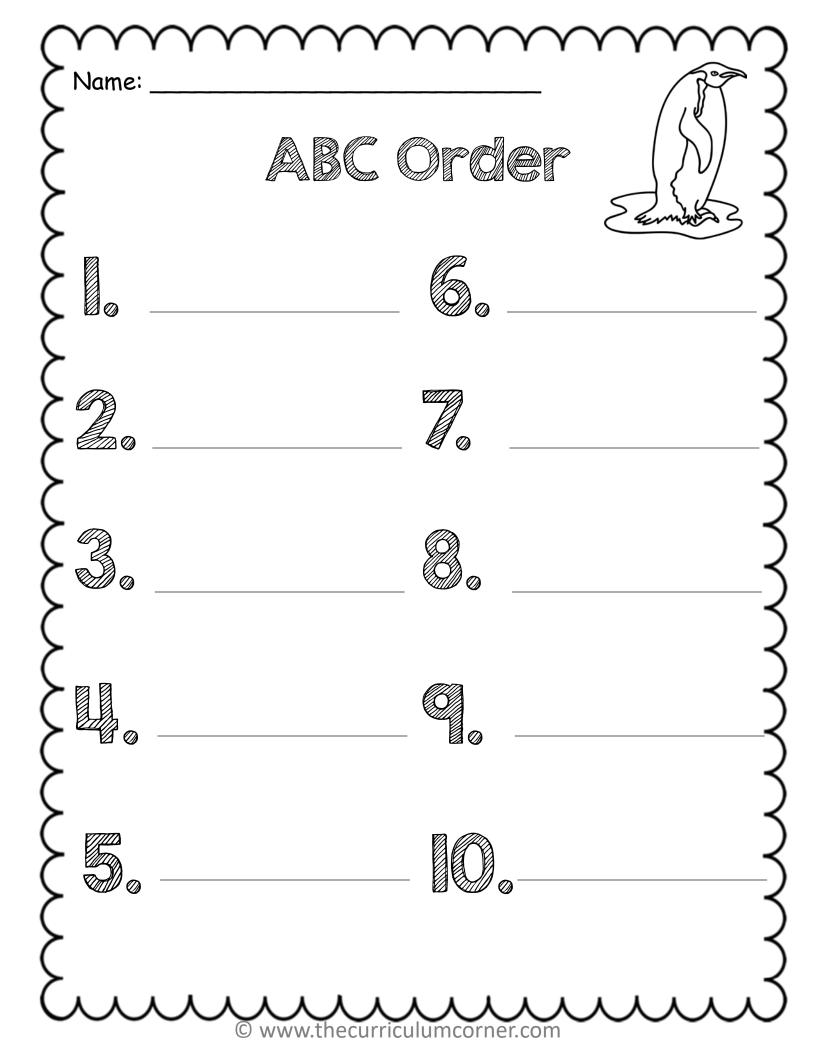
Create categories for the word cards. Decide on a way to sort the words and put each into the group where they belong.

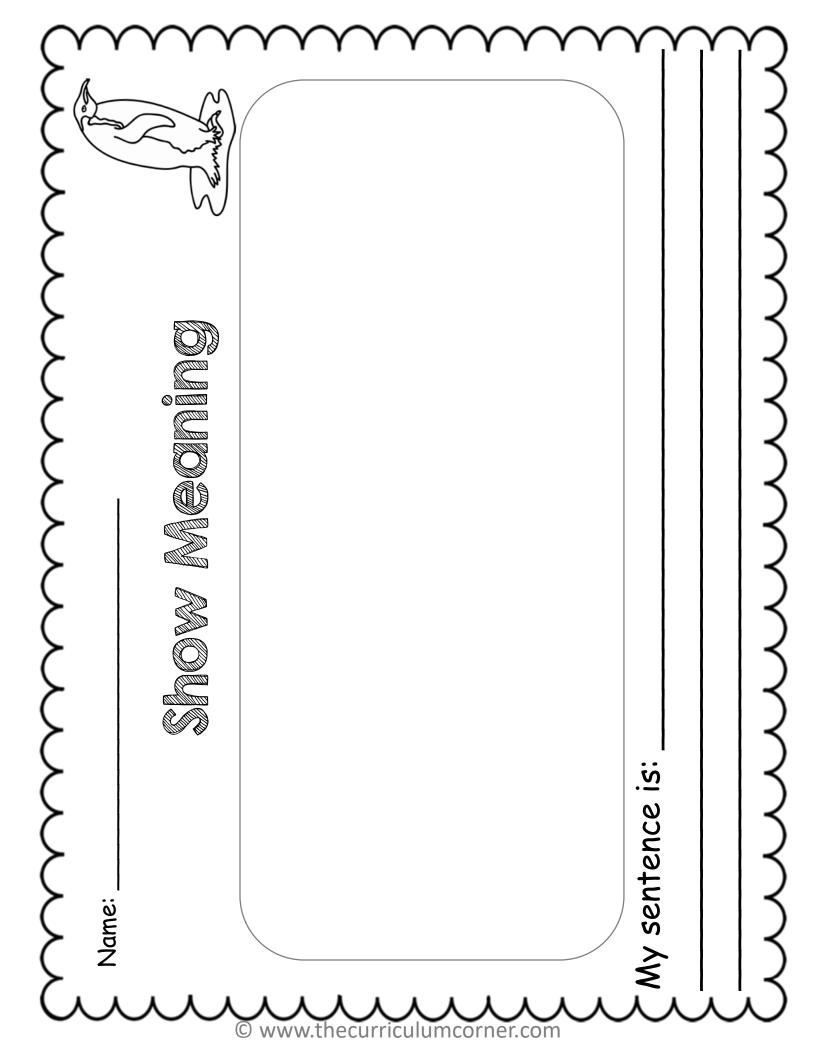


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